

MELDON PARISH COUNCIL
DRAFT MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 10TH MAY 2023
AT 7.45 PM AT THE DYKE NEUK, MELDON

Present:

Councillors: G Sanger (Chairman)
Allan Frankland
Peter Cookson
J Garnett
Annie Lloyd
Alan Taylor
Heath Waddington

Clerk: D Smith

Apologies: Cllr F Bowles

01/23 Election of Chairman for 2023/24

Proposals for the Chairman were invited.
Councillor G Sanger was proposed and seconded.

RESOLVED

The proposal was unanimously agreed.

02/23 Election of Vice Chairman for 2023/24

Proposals for the Vice Chairman were invited.
Councillor A Frankland was and seconded..

RESOLVED

The proposal was unanimously agreed.

03/23 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations on this occasion.

04/23

Parish Council Vacancies

Members were advised that there is still one vacancy on the Parish Council and were asked to consider the co-option of a local resident.

RESOLVED

To co-opt Rachel Johnston on to the Parish Council. The acceptance of office was duly signed.

At this point in the meeting, the Chairman acknowledged that this is Councillor Cookson's last meeting and thanked him for his loyal service.

05/23

Minutes of the Meeting held on 12th April 2023.

Members were asked to approve the above minutes.

RESOLVED

- (a) That the minutes of 12th April 2023, a copy of which had been circulated to each member, be approved and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.

06/23

Public Participation Time

There were no public present and no questions on this occasion.

07/23

Police Update

There was nothing to report on this occasion. Update emails received from the local Police Officer will continue to be circulated.

08/23

County Councillor Update

There was no update on this occasion.

09/23

Matters Arising from Previous Council Meetings

(i) Min 72 (ii) – Temporary Compound, East of Molesden Village

Members were advised that rubbish has now been removed.

RESOLVED

- a. Information duly noted.
b. To contact Mitford Parish Council to advise that residents of Molesden village will be attending a future meeting.

- 10/23 Town and Country Planning Act 1990
- Members considered planning application 23/1254/VARYCO - 2 West Molesden Molesden Northumberland NE61 3QF: Removal of condition 3 (dwellings are only used in conjunction with agriculture) on approved application CM/79/D/125a.
- RESOLVED**
- Mitford Parish Council has concerns that this will be the loss of another local amenity.
- 11/23 Defibrillator - Molesden
- Members were asked to consider a location for the above defibrillator.
- RESOLVED**
- To investigate new locations and also consider a solar panel defibrillator.
- 12/23 Craft Group – Whalton Village Hall
- Councillor Lloyd reported that this group is no longer going ahead..
- RESOLVED**
- Information duly noted.
- 13/23 Highways
- Members were asked to consider speed monitoring in Molesden. Members were advise that approximately two years ago, a site meeting took place regarding this issue and data was to be given to the Parish Council.
- RESOLVED**
- To contact Highways at Northumberland County Council and request the data.
- 14/23 The Energy Crisis & Inflation
- There were no issues raised on this accasion.
- 15/23 Environmental & Climate Change Issues
- Councillor Lloyd advised members that Community Action Northumberland have set up a new Climate Action Group. Carbon Literacy Training is also available at a cost of £130 per person.

RESOLVED

- a. Information duly noted.
- b. To consider the training at the next Parish Council meeting.

16/23

Pigdon Update

Members were previously circulated with an update report from Councillor Bowles.

RESOLVED

- a. Information duly noted.
- b. To look for funding for a defibrillator in Pigdon.
- c. A noticeboard to be erected in Pigdon.

17/23

Any Other Urgent Business

There was no other urgent business on this occasion.

18/23

Dates of Next Meeting

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 14th June 2023.

The meeting concluded at 9.05pm.