**CORNFORTH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: APRIL 2017**

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of Cornforth Parish Council will be held in the Community Centre, Cornforth, on Monday 10th April 2017 when your attendance is requested. The agenda for the meeting is attached.

**PLEASE NOTE**

**UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE OPENNESS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS 2014 MEMBERS ATTENDING THE MEETING NEED TO BE AWARE THAT THE PROCEEDINGS MAY BE THE SUBJECT OF PHOTOGRAPHY, FILMING, VIDEO AND/OR AUDIO RECORDING BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC OR PRESS.**

**AGENDA**

1. INTRODUCTIONS AND APOLOGIES

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To consider declarations of a personal or prejudicial interest with regard to any item to be transacted.

3. MINUTES

To confirm as a true record the Minutes of the meetings held on 13th March 2017. (Copy herewith)

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT COVERED ON THE AGENDA

To discuss any items arising that are not included on this agenda.

5. POLICE LIAISON

To receive a report on the PACT meeting from the Vice Chairman.

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Chairman will adjourn the meeting to facilitate public participation and resume it following public participation.

7. CHAIRMAN’S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE.

At the time of the despatch of this agenda no correspondence had been received.

8. AAP ISSUES

The Chairman as an elected member of the AAP Board will give a report of any matters which have arisen.

9. COUNTY COUNCIL ISSUES

Our County Council representative will report on any Durham County Council issues that have arisen since the last meeting.

10. PLANNING MATTERS AND APPLICATIONS FROM DURHAM COUNTY’S WEEKLY LISTS.

At the time of the despatch of this agenda, which included applications up to and including 4th April 2017, the following applications had been received by Durham County Council which were of interest to Cornforth Parish council:

1. DM/17/00920/FPA – 3 Village Farm, The Green, Cornforth – replacement of a two single garage doors with one double door, replacement of a single window to side off-shot with two smaller windows. Alterations to the driveway.
2. DM/17/00789/FPA – 42 The Green, Cornforth – Erection of enlargement to existing conservatory and replacement detached garage and windows to alteration to gable wall.

The Parish Council has been notified of the following decision taken by the County Council affecting development within its boundaries:

1. DM/17/00045/FPA – 64 Garmondsway Road – Erection of a two storey extension to the side. APPROVED.

11. DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL PUBLIC SPACE PROTECTION ORDER.

Durham County Council had previously consulted on the above order which will come into effect on 1st June 2107, making it a finable offence within County Durham to allow a dog to stray, failing to put a dog on a lead when asked by an authorised officer and allowing dogs into fenced off areas in designated play areas. A Fixed Penalty Notice of £100 will be payable. Within Cornforth, the order would apply to the Village Green and the Memorial Park, but not to our footballing areas. It can be applied to our two fenced off play areas if we ask for them to be included. Members’ views are sought.

12. ALLOTMENTS ISSUES.

The Clerk has made arrangements with our ground maintenance contractor to quote for the clearance of vacant allotments and access them from the NWA road across used allotments where necessary. A safety survey will be carried out prior to this work.

13. FORTHCOMING ELECTION AND ITS IMPLICATIONS.

The County Council and Parish elections will be held on 4th May 2017. The Clerk will hope to update the meeting on the current situation. In the meantime, arrangements have been made for a Parish Meeting to be held on 26th May 2017 at 6pm in the Community Centre Main Hall and the Clerk will advise the residents and organise the agenda.

14. UPDATE ON OUTSTANDING ITEMS.

The Clerk will give an update on items requested at the last meeting – The Green, The Memorial Park and the Balaclava Public House.

15. FINANCIAL REPORTS.

1. SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS TO 31st MARCH 2017.

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| **Receipts** |  | **£** | **Cheque**  **No.** |
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| NIL |  |  |  |
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| **Payments** |  |  |  |
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| Altogether Greener | Period 9 – no extras | 2,596.67 | 804 |
| Altogether Greener | Period 10 – Middleham Road trees extra (£312) | 2,908.67 | 805 |
| Altogether Greener | Period 11 – no extras | 2,596.67 | 806 |
| R. A. Sunman | Allowances | 141.12 | 807 |
| R. A. Sunman | Salary | 666.10 | S/O |
| Royal British Legion | Poppy Appeal | 350.00 | 808 |
| Royal British Legion | Men’s Section contrib’n | 30.00 | 809 |
| Salvation Army | Contribution | 30.00 | 810 |
| West Cornforth & District Community Association. | Contribution to wreath | 36.00 | 811 |
| H.M.R.& Customs | Tax and N.I.C. | 955.57 | 812 |
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|  | **Total Expenditure** | **10,310.80** |  |
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|  | **Net Expenditure** | **10,310.80** |  |

Recommendation: That the schedule be approved.

1. BANK RECONCILIATION STATEMENTS – POSITION AT 31ST MARCH 2017.

The bank reconciliation statement will be circulated at the meeting.

**NOTE: At the close of the meeting Members will be asked if they have any items**

**for inclusion on a future agenda.**

To all Members of the Parish Council.

Yours Sincerely, Ray Sunman, Parish Clerk: 4th April 2017.