CORNFORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of Cornforth Parish Council will be held at the Community Centre, Cornforth, immediately following the Annual Meeting on Monday 10th May 2009, when your attendance is requested.

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To consider declarations of 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 12th and 26th April 2010. (Copies herewith)

4. MATTERS ARISING

5. POLICE LIAISON

Beat Report and report of the PACT meeting.

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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

7. CHAIRMAN’S ANNOUNCEMENTS

8. AAP ISSUES

To receive an update on this matter from Members.

9. BANK RECONCILIATION STATEMENT- POSITION AT 30TH APRIL 2010

Because of the May Bank Holiday the report of Clerk will be circulated at the meeting.

10. AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS

Notification has been received from the external auditor BDO that the annual audit date for the year ended 31st March 2010 has been set as 25th June 2010. Notices of electors’ rights are to be displayed from 10th May to 23rd May 2010 and records are to be made available from 24th May to 21st June 2010.

Following consultation with the Chairman, the Clerk has arranged for J. A. Armatage Accounting Services to conduct a review of the Council’s internal control systems, as required by audit regulations. The fee of £195 is the same as last year.

RECOMMENDATION: That the information be received.

11. SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS APRIL 2009

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| **Receipts** |  | **£** |
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| Durham County Council | Precept | 45,121.50 |
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| **Payments** |  |  |
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| Robinsons Landscape Services | Commemorative Tree | 240.87 |
| JWS Cleaning | Bus shelters | 120.00 |
| R. A. Sunman | Allowances and sundries | 165.07 |
|  | Salary | 594.62 |
| W. R. Wilson | Members allowance | 18.10 |
| Cornforth Partnership | Room hire and copying | 488.40 |
| Sedgefield C.A.B. | Donation | 250.00 |
| West Cornforth Primary School | Donation | 150.00 |
| Cornforth Village Show | Donation | 1,000.00 |
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|  | TOTAL EXPENDITURE | 3,027.06 |

RECOMMENDATION: That the schedule be approved.

12. APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

a) Durham Miners’ Association has asked if the Parish Council would place an advertisement in the Miners’ Gala Souvenir Brochure. Costs range from £35 to £590 and the Parish Council took out and eighth page subscription in the last financial year.

13. PLANNING MATTERS ARISING FROM WEEKLY LISTS TO 30TH APRIL 2010

There have been no planning applications received at either the Sedgefield Office or to be determined by the County Office since the last meeting that are of interest to this Council.

14. DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL

 a) Letters have been sent to Durham County Council and the Environment Agency with regard to the scrap yard on Station Road and the bus stop.

 b) Mr. Kataky has pointed out the need to clean and repaint the three entry signs to the village. A quote has been received from North East Granite to carry out the work for £90 plus VAT. Members’ views are sought.

 c) The annual report from ROSPA on the condition of the playground includes the need for repairs, but none in need of immediate action. Members’ approval is sought to carry out the repairs through Durham County Council and report back with a quote.

14. ANY FURTHER BUSINESS

Ray Sunman

Clerk

4th May 2010.