

Minutes of the meeting of the **ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE** held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, School Aycliffe Lane, Newton Aycliffe, on **Wednesday 16th JANUARY 2019** at **7.15 p.m.**

PRESENT Councillor I Gray (Chairman) and
Councillors Eddy Adam, M Ashcroft, Jim Atkinson,
Derek G Atkinson, Kathy Beetham, P J Bergg, Bill Blenkinsopp,
Mrs D Bowman, Arun M Chandran, B A Clare, J D Clare, J Clark,
Mrs M Dalton, R S Fleming, George C Gray, Mrs S Haigh, B Hall,
Dave Hardaker, K Henderson, Jed Hillary, Wendy Hillary,
Kate Hopper, M Iveson, Mrs S J Iveson, Mrs V M Raw,
Ken Robson and Paul Symons.

OFFICIALS Mr A Bailey (Town Clerk)
Mr S Cooper (Works and Environment Manager)
Mrs M J Robinson (Leisure & Environment Assistant)
Mrs J Thexton (Leisure Manager)
Mr L Williams (Grounds Maintenance Service Coordinator)

58. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

An apology for absence was submitted on behalf of Councillor Sally Symons.

59. **MEMBERS' DISPENSATIONS**

No applications for dispensations had been received.

60. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Declarations of Interest were declared on Item 10 on the Agenda (DCC Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting and Loading and Prohibition of Stopping, Permit Holders only Order 2012 (Amendment No. 1) Order 2018:) Councillors Eddy Adam, Jim Atkinson, Kate Hopper, J D Clare and Mrs S J Iveson as members of Durham County Council. Councillor R S Fleming as a resident of Welbury Grove, and Councillor Jed Hillary as a Governor of Vane Road School.

61. **PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

There were no questions from members of the public.

62. **MINUTES**

It was proposed by Councillor R S Fleming seconded by Councillor Mrs M Dalton and

RESOLVED - that the minutes of the meeting of the Environment Committee held on the **28th November 2018** be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

63. **PLANNING SUB COMMITTEE**

It was proposed by Councillor P J Bergg seconded by Councillor R S Fleming and

RESOLVED - that the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Sub-Committee held on the **12th December 2018** be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

64. **ALLOTMENT REPORT**

The Grounds Maintenance Services Co-ordinator submitted the Allotments report for the period ending 6th January 2019. The Grounds Maintenance Services Co-ordinator also advised verbally that there were still some allotment tenants who had not yet paid their rent. Statements had been sent out and reminders would be followed by termination notices in February to those who had not paid.

RESOLVED – that it be recommended that the report be received.

65. **CEMETERIES REPORT**

The Grounds Maintenance Services Co-ordinator submitted a report for the period ending 6th January 2019 giving information with regards to burials and grants of grave spaces which had been issued.

RESOLVED - that it be recommended that the report be received.

66. **ENVIRONMENT REPORT**

The Works and Environment Manager submitted a report for the period ending 6th January 2019 to update members on environment items including work which is to take place to fell numerous mature trees which are diseased or dying. The report also advised on Christmas activities which had been organised and the ACE Awards which had been awarded to youths for their responsible behaviour.

RESOLVED - that it be recommended that the report be received.

67. **DCC PROHIBITION AND RESTRICTION OF WAITING AND LOADING AND PROHIBITION OF STOPPING, PERMIT HOLDERS ONLY ORDER 2012 (AMENDMENT NO. 1) ORDER 2018**

Declarations of Interest had been declared on this item by Councillors Jim Atkinson, Eddy Adam, Kate Hopper, J D Clare Mrs S J Iveson, R S Fleming and Councillor Jed Hillary who remained in the meeting during discussion thereon.

Notice of a consultation advising of proposed restrictions on waiting and loading and prohibition of stopping on several streets in the Parish had been circulated.

RESOLVED – that it be recommended that:

1. The Consultation Notice be received.
2. No comments were to be made.

CHAIRMAN.