

**Minutes of the proceedings of Pittington Parish Council held in
Pittington Village Hall, High Pittington, 7pm,
Tuesday 21st November 2017**

Present: Councillors: D Turnbull, R Newlove, A Toal, J Lee, S Mitchell,
B Fenwick, D Hall

Also in attendance: M Toal (Parish Clerk) 5 members of public

127/17 Apologies

None

128/17 Declarations of Interests

None

129/17 Public Participation

Council informed by the public that the refuse bin at Southbrook House has still not been emptied. ***AP Clerk to contact DCC**

130/17 Minutes

Minutes of meeting October 17th 2017 approved and signed. No action points.

131/17 Updates/Matters arising

Discussion regarding tree preservation in the Parish. ***AP Clerk to enquire about TPO (Tree Preservation Order)**

132/17 Planning Applications

Reference	DM/17/03409/TCA
Alternative Reference	PP-06464592
Application Received	Tue 17 Oct 2017
Application Validated	Tue 17 Oct 2017
Address	Chestnut Lodge Hallgarth High Pittington Durham DH6 1AB
Proposal	Fell 1no. Sycamore Tree
Status	Decided Mon 30 Oct 2017
Appeal Status	Unknown
Appeal Decision	Not available

133/17 Finance

Cheque/Cash	Date	Recipient	Details	Amount
DD	02/10/17	UK Fuels	Invoice	£2.40
DD	05/10/17	Co-Op	Commission	£2.95
DD	05/10/17	Co-Op	Service	£5.00
DD	16/10/17	UK Fuels	Invoice	£31.10
DD	20/10/17	Currys	Invoice	£5.00
201553	23/10/17	Employment	Wages	£470.80
DD	23/10/17	UK Fuels	Invoice	£30.93
201551	24/10/17	Audit Fee	Invoice	£220.00

201552	24/10/17	EW Allen	Invoice	£42.00
210554	25/10/17	BDO Audit Fee	Invoice	£288.00
201548	26/10/17	PVH	Newsletter x 2	£600.00
DD	30/10/17	Employment	Wages	£422.50

Balance Current Account £19,113.55 ending 30/10/2017

Balance Business Account £10,506.00 ending 05/10/2017

134/17 **Correspondences**

01/10/2017/Email/Public/Verges
18/10/2017/Email/Durham Police/PACT apology
19/10/2017/Email/UK Fuels/Invoice
19/10/2017/Email/NE Granite/Headstone approval
01/11/2017/Email/ICO/ FOI enquiry
01/11/2017/Letter/Co-Op/Statement
02/11/2017/Email/Public/Littletown Junction
03/11/2017/Email/ICO/FOI enquiry
03/11/2017/Letter/Northumbrian Water/Invoice
08/11/2017/Email/DCC/Streetlight reduction
14/11/2017/Email/DCC/Church Vale Land

135/17 **PIP UPDATES**

Update from PIP Meeting 30th October 2017.
Dog fouling continues to be an issue. ***AP Clerk to request more bins and signage from DCC.** A request has been issued to DCC for a tree survey to take place at St Laurence Church cemetery.
Northumbria in Bloom entry to be approved by Parish Council.
Council agreed to enter into 2018 NIB. Ethicare are willing to plant winter/spring bulbs and flowers in the Parish with remaining funds from PVH. The next PIP meeting will be held in Feb/March.

136/17 **Street Lighting**

Parish council has received information from DCC reminding us that the streetlights between High Pittington and Littletown will be turned off if funding cannot be provided by Pittington Parish Council. If the Parish Council wish to consider retaining the lights under a service level agreement it will be at a cost of Approximately £50,000 - £60,000. ***AP Clerk to recirculate original email from DCC again.**
***AP Clerk to arrange meeting with local business to seek donation for the scheme.**

137/17 **Littletown Junction**

Concerns have been raised by residents regarding the safety of Littletown junction such as speeding, parking and obstruction. A meeting is to be held at the site on Monday 27th November at 10.30am with DCC.

138/17 **Church Vale Land**

Discussion regarding the purchase of the land at Church Vale. After consideration it was proposed by Cllr Turnbull, seconded by all other Cllrs and agreed that the purchase will not go ahead.

139/17 **Deed of Easement**

Council discussed the conditions of the Deed of Easement at Coalford Lane Allotments. The proposal was agreed that no more than 3.5 tonne of a light weight vehicle and not to be exceeded will be able to have access to the road which leads into DCC land. ***AP Clerk to offer proposal to solicitors.**

140 /17 **Date and Time of next meeting**

19th December 2017 at 7.00pm.

Cllr D Turnbull, Chairman

***AP Action Point**