

## Minutes of Witton Gilbert Parish Council held on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2014 in the Boardroom Cooper Hall

- 13/133 Apologies were received from Councillors Liddle & Cowan.  
Present: - Councillors Reynolds, Simpson, Harries, Waller, Woodmass Hillary, Guy, County Councillors B Armstrong, J Armstrong & CSO Sadler-Watson
- 13/134 Village Wardens: - The Clerk presented the Village Wardens reports on mobile patrols in the village in January 2014.
- 13/135 Police Report: - CSO Sadler-Watson presented a report, which included incidents of criminal damage & anti-social behaviour within the village and surrounding area in February 2014.
- 13/136 Minutes: - The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2014 were approved as a true record.
- 13/137 T Byron: - The Chairman welcomed Mr Byron to the meeting and he presented to the Parish Council a report he had compiled on the Allotment Gardens at Sacriston Lane Witton Gilbert. The Council resolved that the Chairman & Clerk meet with Mr Byron before the next Parish Council meeting to discuss the issues he raised and report back to the Parish Council recommendations for their resolution and the Chairman thanked Mr Byron for his attendance.
- 13/138 C Scott: - The Council received an application for an allotment garden from Mr C Scott of 2 Acorn Walk.  
The Council resolved that Mr C Scott be placed on the waiting list for an allotment garden.
- 13/139 J Hewitt: - The Council received an application from J Hewitt to erect an 8ft x 6ft greenhouse on allotment garden 9a.  
The Council resolved that J Hewitt be granted permission to erect an 8ft x 6ft greenhouse on allotment garden 9a.
- 13/140 Roberta Blackman-Wood: - The Council received a letter Roberta Blackman-Wood regarding the Allotment Gardens at Sacriston Lane Witton Gilbert.
- 13/141 Witton Gilbert Dancing Club: - Councillors Guy & Simpson declared an interest in this item & left the meeting taking no part in the decision reached by the Council. The Council discussed a request for financial assistance from Witton Gilbert Dancing Club to celebrate their 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.  
The Council resolved to make a donation up to a maximum of £500.00 to Witton Gilbert Dancing Club to match funding raised by themselves towards celebrations for their 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Councillors Guy & Simpson returned to the meeting.
- 13/142 Durham County Council: - The Council discussed a quotation from Durham County Council for a Pest Management Contract for the Allotment Gardens at Sacriston Lane at a cost of £300.00 + VAT for 2014 - 2015.  
The Council resolved to accept the quotation from Durham County Council for a Pest Management Contract for the Allotment Gardens at Sacriston Lane.
- 13/143 C Polwart: - The Council received an application from C Polwart to erect an 8ft x 6ft greenhouse on allotment garden 5b.  
The Council resolved that C Polwart be granted permission to erect an 8ft x 6ft greenhouse on allotment garden 5b.
- 13/144 May Lea Stores: - The Council received a planning application for the demolition of a detached garage and the erection of a bungalow at May Lea Stores
- 13/145 V Leckenby: - The Council discussed an application from V Leckenby for permission to keep hens in a moveable pen on allotment 17a to assist with clearing her newly acquired un cultivated allotment.  
The Council resolved that V Leckenby keep hens on a temporary basis on allotment 17a in a moveable pen during daylight hours with no hens on the allotment garden overnight for a period of 6 months only and if she wishes to carry on beyond the period another application must be made.
- 13/146 S Carter: - The Council received an application for an allotment garden from Mr S Carter of 51 Brookside.  
The Council resolved that Mr S Carter be placed on the waiting list for an allotment garden.
- 13/147 Accounts for payment
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| H M Customs        | NIC & Income Tax March | 125.20 |
| G Thompson         | Telephone February     | 22.55  |
| Northumbrian Water | Water Supply           | 9.67   |

	Caloo	Outdoor Gym Repair	796.80
	Durham County Council	Pest Control	100.00
13/148	Reports: - Councillors J Armstrong reported on County Council matters including the approval of flood relief works for Witton Gilbert.		
13/149	Neighbourhood Plan: - The Council discussed the Witton Gilbert Community Asset List compiled by the Neighbourhood Plan Committee. The Council resolved to adopt the Witton Gilbert Community Asset List compiled by the Neighbourhood Plan Committee.		
13/150	Risk Assessment; - The Council carried out its annual financial risk assessment of its accounts and audit procedures & found all in order.		

As there was no further business the meeting closed at 7.10 p.m.

Signed..... Councillor F Reynolds      Chairman      April 7<sup>th</sup> 2014