Minutes of Witton Gilbert Parish Council held on 8th June 2015 in the Boardroom Cooper Hall.

- Apologies were received from Councillor Reynolds, Hillary, County Councillor B Armstrong, County Councillor J Armstrong & CSO Sadler-Watson.

 Present: Councillors Simpson, Guy, Woodmass, Harries, Waller & Liddle.
- 15/27 Village Wardens: The Clerk presented the Village Wardens reports on mobile patrols in the village in April 2015.
- Police Report: The Clerk presented the Police Report, which included incidents of anti-social behaviour and criminal damage within the village and surrounding area in May 2015.
- 15/29 Minutes: The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 18th May 2015 were approved as a true record
- 15/30 Matters arising: The Council received acknowledgement from the Pension Regulator regarding enrolment in a workplace pension & a letter from P Shevilles regarding dog fouling at Fulforth Park.
- 15/31 B Ker: The Council discussed a letter from B Ker regarding fires on the allotment gardens. The Council resolved to place this item on the agenda for discussion in July.
- Mayor of Durham: The Council discussed a letter from the Mayor of Durham requesting financial assistance towards his Mayor's Appeal 2015-2016.
 - The Council resolved to make a donation of £50.00 towards the Mayor's Appeal 2015-2016.
- 15/33 Pains Fireworks: The Parish Council discussed the provision of fireworks for the Parish Bonfire.
 - The Council resolved to purchase from Pains Fireworks 1 No Explorer Pack & 1 No Stroke of Midnight at a cost of £938.40.
- John: The Council discussed an application for an allotment garden from J John of 3 Hedley's Buildings.
 The Council resolved that J John be placed on the waiting for an allotment garden.
- 15/35 Durham County Council: The Council received notification of an application for a new premises licence for McColls (formerly The White Tun Public House) Sacriston Lane.
- 15/36 Accounts for payment

H M Customs	NIC & Income Tax June	128.00
G Thompson	Telephone May	22.29
G Thompson	Ink & paper	89.98
G Thompson	Printing Neighbourhood Plan	27.00
Northumbrian Water	Water Supply	25.89
Plangle	Neighbourhood Plan Consultant Fees	1550.00
Mayor of Durham	Donation	50.00
J Geddes	Wayleave	15.00

- 15/37 Reports: Councillor A Simpson reported on graffiti on various items of street furniture at Sacriston Lane & Front Street.
- 15/38 Parish Council Newsletter: The Clerk reported that any articles for the July edition of the Parish Council Newsletter should be with B Gilmore by the last week in June.
- 15/39 Neighbourhood Plan: The Council received a report from the Clerk & a quotation from Plangle regarding progress on the Neighbourhood Plan & the need to appoint consultants to assist with the next phase.

The Council resolved that the Parish Council appoint Plangle as consultants for the next phase of the Neighbourhood Plan for 11 days @ £375.00 for consultancy fees & £94.50 expenses.

As there was no further business the meeting closed at 6.55 p.m.

Signed	Councillor A Simpson Chairman	July 13 th 2015.