

Minutes of Meeting of Witton Gilbert Parish Council held on 13th March 2017 in the Boardroom Cooper Hall.

- 16/128 Apologies were received from Councillor Guy & PCSO Sadler Watson.
Present: - Councillors Liddle, F Reynolds, Harries, Waller, Simpson, Cowan, J Reynolds, Hillary, County Councillors B Anderson, & J Anderson.
- 16/129 Police Report: - In the absence of PCSO Sadler Watson the Clerk presented the Police Report, which included incidents of non domestic burglary & assault within the village and surrounding area in February 2017.
- 16/130 Village Wardens: - The Clerk presented the Village Wardens reports on mobile patrols in the village in January 2017.
- 16/131 Minutes: - The minutes of the Parish Council held on 13th February 2017 were approved as a true record.
- 16/132 Village Centre Contract: - The Council discussed the monthly valuation for work carried out in February 2017 at a cost of £2563.86 by RHD Construction.
The Council resolved to pay RHD Construction £2563.86 for work carried out in February 2017.
The Council discussed Variation Instruction No 1 regarding the supply of 14.6 linear metres 1.5 high timber close board fencing (tantalised timber) at a cost of cost £757. 50 and excavate 78m2 @ 100mm depth & replace with a reduced fines sub base to the woodland path at a cost of £ 897.26 plus vat.
The Council resolved to accept Variation Instruction No 1.
The Clerk reported that he had made a request to the Public Works Loan Board for the release of £50,000.00 from the Parish Councils agreed loan of £76,000.00 on or about the 4th April 2017.
- 16/133 N Power: - The Council received from N Power notice of termination of their contract to supply electricity for the Parish Councils Christmas Tree.
- 16/134 Durham County Council: – The Council discussed a quotation from Durham County Council for a Pest Management Contract for the allotment gardens.
The Council resolved to enter into a Pest Management Contract for the allotment gardens with the County Council at an annual cost of £348.72.
- 16/135 HMRC: - The Council received a letter from HMRC regarding the end of the current tax year 2016 - 2017.
- 16/136 Accounts for Payment
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| H M Customs (BACS) | NIC & Income Tax March | 129.20 |
| G Thompson (BACS) | Telephone February | 28.88 |
| Northunbrian Water (BACS) | Water Supply | 12.50 |
| Durham County Council (BACS) | Pest Control Contract | 348.72 |
| RHD Construction (BACS) | February Valuation | 2563.86 |
| Durham County Council (BACS) | Christmas Tree | 1615.84 |
| Groundworks UK (BACS) | Grant underspend | 1038.00 |
- 16/137 Reports: - County Councillors J & B Armstrong reported on donations made to Witton Gilbert Playgroup & Drama Group from their Councillors Fund.
The Clerk informed the Council on work he was carrying out on the feasibility of the Council employing a part time handyman
- 16/138 Parish Council Newsletter: - Councillors F Reynolds reported on articles he had submitted for publication in the Parish Council Newsletter on the Village Centre & the late Colin Beswick
- 16/139 Neighbourhood Plan: - Councillor N Liddle reported on progress of the Neighbourhood Plan.

As there was no further business the meeting closed at 6.45 p.m.

Signed.....

Councillor N Liddle

Chairman

10th April 2017