

Minutes of Meeting of Witton Gilbert Parish Council held on 10th June 2019 in the Boardroom Cooper Hall.

- 19/15 Apologies were received from Councillors Simpson & J Reynolds.
Present: - Councillors Liddle, F Reynolds, Guy, Hillary, & Murphy, Harries, Cowan & County Councillor Coult.
- 19/16 Declaration of Interests: – Councillors A Hillary declared an interest in agenda item
- 19/17 Minutes: - The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 13th May 2019 were approved as a true record.
- 19/18 Matters arising: - The Clerk reported to the Parish Council that he had written to Mr D & Mrs M Hodgson regarding the allotment gardens but had not received a reply.
The Council resolved that the Clerk again write to Mr D & Mrs M Hodgson by recorded letter.
The Council discussed the results of a traffic survey at the junction of Sacriston Lane and Front Street with regard to traffic using Front Street as a rat run to overcome traffic congestion on the Village By Pass.
The Council resolved to contact the County Council to discuss the possibilities of establishing a no right turn into the village for west bound traffic, excluding buses and emergency vehicles, to overcome the problems on Sacriston Lane and Front Street.
- 19/19 Witton Gilbert Community Association: - Councillor Hillary declared an interest in the following matter and left the meeting.
The Council discussed a letter from Witton Gilbert Community Association regarding financial assistance.
The Council resolved to make a donation of £4000.00 to Witton Gilbert Community Association.
Councillor Hillary returned to the meeting.
- 19/20 Durham County Council: - The Council discussed a quotation from Durham County Council for the supply & erection of the Village Christmas Tree.
The Council resolved to accept a quotation from Durham County Council at a cost of £1716.12 for the supply & erection of the Village Christmas Tree.
- 19/21 The Council received a planning application from Mears Ltd for the construction of 21 parking bays in South Lea.
- 19/22 Accounts for Payment

Witton Gilbert Village Hall Ass (BACS)	Donation				4000.00
N Crozier Contractor (BACS)	Village Maintenance				231.00
G Thompson (BACS)	Telephone May				43.48
HMRC (BACS)	Tax May				136.60
Eon	Electricity				35.20
Durham County Council	Website				722.08

- 19/23 Reports: - The Clerk and Councillor Reynolds reported to the Council visits they had made to Durham County Councils Record Office to locate the Parish Councils Minute Books from 1900 to 1937.
The Council resolved to have the Parish Council Minute Books from 1900 to 1937 digitally copied at an estimated cost of £200.00
- 19/24 Parish Council Newsletter: - The Clerk reported that the latest edition of the Parish Council Newsletter had been delivered.
- 19/25 Neighbourhood Plan: - Councillor N Liddle reported on progress of the Neighbourhood Plan.

As there was no further business the meeting closed at 7.05 p.m.

Signed.....

Councillor F Reynolds

Chairman

8th July 2019