PLENMELLER WITH WHITFIELD
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
12th AUGUST 2019
DRAFT MINUTES

Present	Cllr J H Blackett-Ord Cllr A Johnston Cllr O Norris	Cllr J Cousin Cllr J Johnston Cllr M Sowler Cllr A Dale	Clerk - Mrs Susan Saunders Cllr Hutchinson - County

19.30	
16/19	**Apologies for Absence**
17/19	**Declarations of Interest** The chair reminded councillors to declare their interests at the appropriate time and declared an interest himself in any Whitfield Estate matters that may arise.
18/19	**Public Questions** To note any questions submitted by the Public. Questions to the Council should be received by the Clerk by the Wednesday preceding an ordinary Parish Council meeting the following Monday. Participation in a Council meeting by members of the Public other than during the time set for Public Questions can only be authorised by the Council. – No Questions.
19/19	**Approval of the Minutes of the meeting held on:** Monday 22nd May 2019 **PROPOSED Cllr A Johnston SECONDED Cllr J Johnston AGREED**
20/19	**Matters arising from previous Minutes not dealt with elsewhere in the current agenda** • Potholes: Dodd Bank potholes have been filled but are already returning. There is a large hole at Cupola. • The broadband cable has been laid but the trenches need re-instating properly. Cllr Hutchinson has been chasing that and will continue to do so. • The notice board at Plenmeller has been repaired but it was proposed to try and get a better back for the pins. The clerk is managing so it was agreed to leave it as it is for the time being
21/19	**Correspondence received since the last council meeting** A list of correspondence is available on the website. Physio Services reductions. Cllr A Johnston will investigate how this is to affect the service at Allendale. The clerk is to write to the Clinical Commissioning Group with the Council's reservations and concerns. **PROPOSED Cllr A Johnston SECONDED Cllr O Norris AGREED**
22/19	**Planning Applications** *Town & Country Planning Act 1990 applications can be viewed on-line at:* *publicaccess.northumberland.gov.uk/online-applications* **No Plans**
23/19	**Haltwhistle & District Burial Committee** **23/19.01** The members discussed the constitution and expressed concern about the annual Review of historic reductions. The clerk reported the following information obtained by Stephen Rickitt from NALC: *The earlier governing document for the H&DJBC refers to PLENMELLER Parish Council. However, the 1955 Order created the combined Council of Plenmeller with Whitfield. With the reference to the 1972 Act, that governing document post-dates the 1955 Order. Article 18 (4) of the 1955 Order is clear that the H&DJBC was only to apply to the Plenmeller part of the then new Plenmeller with Whitfield.* With this information the members were happy to accept the draft constitution with the proposed amendments from Haltwhistle Town Council. **PROPOSED Cllr M Sowler SECONDED Cllr A Johnston AGREED**

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	12/19.02 Councillor M Sowler volunteered to stand again until the AGM. However, she will not necessarily be able to attend every meeting if they are monthly as they are at present. The Council understand and asked the clerk to keep them up to date if necessary. **PROPOSED Cllr J Cousin SECONDED Cllr J Johnston AGREED**
24/19	**Local Transport Plan** The Council agreed two highway issues they wish to be included: 1. Widening of C322 from the junction at Fell House to the Haltwhistle turn off. 2. The re-surfacing of the road from Whitfield Village up to Whitfield School. **PROPOSED Cllr A Johnston SECONDED Cllr J Cousin AGREED**
25/19	**Staffing Issues** The contract for the new clerk was approved and signed. **PROPOSED Cllr A Johnston SECONDED Cllr O Norris AGREED**
26/19	**Reports on Financial Matters** **26/19.01** Bank Balances & Income and expenditure as at 2nd August 2019 *Noted.* **26/19.02** Bank Reconciliation and Accounts for Payment 12th August 2019

Bank Balance as at		2nd August 2019		**£2,005.18**
Plus	o/s Lodgements			
Less	o/s Payments			£0.00
				£2,005.18
Bal b/f 31st March 2019			£1,877.62	
	Receipts in the year		£1,335.00	
	Payments in the year		£1,207.44	
Balance at		2nd August 2019		**£2,005.18**

Payments For Approval at 12 Aug 2019

Mrs SM Saunders	Feb-Sep	427.53
HMRC	PAYE	21.8
Exp, mileage, home allowance, printer contrib		140.86
		£590.19

The accounts were approved for payment**.**
PROPOSED Cllr A Johnston SECONDED Cllr J Cousin AGREED
26/19.03 The letter for the bank with the change of address was signed.

27/19	**Any Other Business** No other business
28/19	**Dates and times of next meetings:** Parish Council Meeting: Monday 11th November 7.30pm at The Elks Head, Whitfield. The Meeting closed at 20.30

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