

Hurworth Parish Council

Minutes for the Annual Meeting held at Hurworth Grange on Thursday, 12th May 2016, starting at 7:00pm.

1. **Those present;** Margaret Williams, Jean Peacock Carol Paylor, Wilma Campbell, Peter Foster, David Wood, Simon Coultas, Elaine Hedley, Janine Forster, Richard Lawley, Graham Wylie, Cllr Joe Kelley, Cllr Lorraine Tostevin, Parish Clerk RFO, and 39 members of the public.
2. **Election of Chairman 2016-17**
Two nominations would put forward, Carol Paylor and Margaret Williams,
after a ballot, Margaret Williams was voted Chair
3. **Chairperson's Acceptance of Office**
Margaret Williams accepted the office of Chair and signed the Register.
4. **Apologies for absence**
The Northern Echo had registered their apology for absence.
5. **Acceptance of Office by all Councillors**
All twelve newly elected signed their Acceptance of Office and these were countersigned by the Clerk.
6. **Declaration of interests**
All councillors were given a Declaration of Interests form, and asked to return them, completed, to the Clerk at the Finance Meeting on 19th May..
7. **Minutes of the Annual Meeting dated May 2015.**
The Minutes were accepted by the council, Proposed by Peter Foster and Seconded by Wilma Campbell.
8. **Election of Vice Chairperson**
Two nominations would put forward, Carol Paylor and Wilma Campbell,
after a ballot, Wilma Campbell was voted Vice Chair.
9. **Election of Finance Committee (Working Party)**
It was agreed that the Financial working Party should be composed of the entire council.
10. **Election of Representative for Trees**
Peter Foster was elected
11. **Election of Representative for Police Liaison, Security and PACT Meeting Chairperson.** Paul Walters was elected.
12. **Election of Representatives of the Allotments Working Party (Two) – (Mandatory)**
Janine Forster and Richard Lawley were elected.
13. **Election of Representative for the Environment and Open Spaces**
Wilma Campbell and Elaine Hedley were elected.
14. **Election of Representative for Highways**
Graham Wylie and Carol Paylor were elected; the Chair offered to assist.
15. **Election of Representatives for Planning Matters**
 1. **Hurworth P.C.** David Wood and Jean Peacock were elected
 2. **Darlington Development Plan Consultation Group** Simon Coultas, David Wood, Carol Paylor, Richard Lawley and Jean Peacock were elected.
16. **Election of Flood and Contingency Plan Committee**
Simon Coultas was elected
17. **Election of Representative for Playgrounds and Recreational Areas**
Janine Forster and David Wood were elected.
18. **Election of Representative(s) for Parish pathways, cycle paths and Rights of Way**
Janine Forster and Richard Lawley were elected.
19. **Election of Representatives for the Newsletter and web site co-ordinator**

- Elaine Hedley was elected
- 20. Election of Vetting Committee (FoI and Data Protection)**
Margaret Williams, Jean Peacock, Wilma Campbell and David Wood were elected.
- 21. Election of Independent Review Committee (Three)**
Peter Foster, Simon Coultas and Graham Wylie were elected.
- 22. Election of Press Officer**
Margaret Williams was elected
- 23. Election of delegates to outside bodies**
- a. **Darlington Association of Parish Councils** Jean Peacock was elected
 - b. **Durham Association Towns/Parish Councils (CDALC)** Elaine Hedley was elected
 - c. **Village Hall Committee** Janine Forster was elected
 - d. **Hurworth Community Association Management Committee** Jean Peacock was elected
 - e. **EPICH** Wilma Campbell was elected.
 - f. **Durham and Tees Valley Airport Consultative Committee** Margaret Williams was elected
 - g. **CPRE** Carol Paylor and Richard Lawley were elected.
 - h. **Small and Medium Councils Committee** Elaine Hedley was elected.
 - i. **LEADER Group** Simon Coultas was elected.

24. Date/Venue/Time of monthly meetings

First Thursday of every month, excluding August, at Hurworth Grange starting at 7:00pm.

Preceded by the PACT Meeting starting at 6:30pm.

Council Surgery, per rota, starts at 6:00pm.

The Chair closed the meeting at 7:44pm.