**Woolsington Parish Council**

Minutes of a meeting of Woolsington Parish Council

held in The Gala Field on Wednesday 11 September 2019

Present: Councillor G.Pattison (Chairman)

Councillors J. Couchman, B. Hunter, l. Kennedy, J. Littleton,

L. McGinness, G. Pendleton, J. Robinson, A. Thomas

and L Wright.

In attendance: I Humphries - Clerk

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| **21.**  **22.**  **23.**  **24.**  **25.**  **26.**  **27.**  **28.**  **29.**  **30.**  **31.** | **Apologies for absence**  Apologies for absence were received from Councillors S Pattison, J Sabarre and B Hunter  **Minutes**  The minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 10 July 2019 were confirmed as a correct record.  **Woolsington Parish Area Biodiversity Plan**  Members received a report on progress made on the two pilot schemes and noted the Sovereign Lodge site had looked good for the first 6 months but had then faded and it was suggested that it now be bordered to include spring bulbs.  Ongoing work was required to tidy up areas and plant 12,000 crocus bulbs in the autumn.  It was agreed to include Whorlton Grange and also to plant a tree in Callerton to recognise the work in the community of Archie Cook. A planting ceremony was being planned.  It was noted that spare ex city council planting boxes were available from the Blakelaw Centre. Members also commented on the need to retain but maintain the shrubs outside Sovereign Lodge and ways of achieving that were to be explored.  Members approved funding for the various schemes within the Biodiversity Plan amounting to £3,000 plus funds for the tree and plaque for Callerton.  **Neighbourhood Plan**  Members were advised that Councillor Sabarre was preparing a report on the results of the survey.  **Financial Forecast**  The Clerk provided a half year financial statement and asked members to consider what financial expenditure for the 2020-2021 year would be required. Based on the discussion estimates for 2020-2021were to be submitted to the November meeting to enable members to set an appropriate precept.  **Planning Matters**  Members commented on the various applications considered since the previous meeting.  **Correspondence**  Letters of thanks were received from the four schools in respect of grants issued.  **Reports of representatives on other bodies**  Members noted that the Airport Consultative Committee was to set up a sub-committee to deal with noise complaints.  **Accounts for Payment**  Approval was given to the following payments –  HMRC Tax liability August £65.20  HMRC Tax liability September £65.20  Clerk Salary August & Sept. £522.94  Zurich Insurance £372.40  Groundworks Grounds maintenance £540.00  Cowells Bulbs £1,608.  **Notice Board - Woolsington**  Members were advised that the city council were to replace the “glass”, however there was a need to replace the inner board. Members agreed to fund the renovation costs of the inner part of the Woolsington notice board.  **Date of next meeting**  The next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday 13 November 2019 at the Gala Field Community Centre at 7.00pm.  Chairman …………………….  Date ……………………. |