

NORTH LODGE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of North Lodge Parish Council held at Park View School, Lombard Drive, Chester-le-Street on Tuesday 19th September 2017.

PRESENT: Chairman: Cllr. Elsie Forrester.
Councillors: Margaret Caygill, Maureen May, Dennis Hall,
Patrick Driscoll, John Murray, David Snaith,
John Waugh.

County Councillor: Craig Martin.

Clerk: David Murrell.

The Chairman commenced the meeting at 6.30pm and welcomed everyone. Councillor Hall was not present at the beginning of the meeting.

Item 1. 17/80 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for Absence were received from Councillors Jackie Gregory and Colin Noble-Nesbitt. Councillor Dennis Hall had also given apologies for his expected late arrival at the meeting.

Item 2. 17/81 Declarations of Interest

Cllr. Margaret Caygill declared an interest as a Governor of Park View School. Cllr. John Murray declared an interest as Chairman of North Lodge in Bloom.

Item 3. 17/82 Report of the County Councillor

The Chairman invited County Councillor Craig Martin to give his report which included the matters contained in his written report below -

County Councillor's Report

North Lodge Parish Council September 2017

**Cllr Craig Martin
North Lodge and Chester-le-Street**

craig.martin@durham.gov.uk – 03000 268 745

Picktree Lodge Compound

Highways England will be strengthening bridges on the A1, expected to begin on Monday 4th December and lasting 30 weeks. They will be setting up a compound at the opening of Picktree Lodge, behind the flower beds. Residents have approached me with traffic concerns. That there will be an increased danger exiting onto the busy Vigo Lane from a road that is not normally used for that purpose. Highways within Durham County Council believe that there is no need to be concerned. I have requested that Highways England must put in place warning signs throughout road closure.

Coveris

The Local Government Ombudsman has reported back ruling that Durham County Council's Environmental Health team have acted in the correct manner throughout. But the Ombudsman has made no comments regarding which set of standards should be used. This is the key complaint we have with Durham County Council. I am working with residents to take this matter further and will be taking legal advice.

Teaching Assistants

The deal put forward to them by Durham County Council in July was rejected by a ballot of the recognised trade unions. The council will vote on a new and improved 'final' offer on Wednesday 20th September. My interpretation of the new offer gives teaching assistants that will make a loss more compensation and more opportunities for training.

Regarding the Picktree Lodge compound, there were further updates from Councillors and the Clerk.

The Chairman thanked the County Councillor for his report.

Item 4. 17/83 Adoption of Minutes of Meeting

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 18th July 2017, draft copies of which had been previously circulated, were adopted as a true and accurate record of the Meeting and were duly signed by the Chairman.

Item 5. 17/84 Chairman's Report

Regarding outstanding matters -

- a) Re Minute 17/72. Re the sinkhole at Merlin Drive, Cllr. Driscoll provided an update on work carried out to date to effect a repair. Re matters arising from the Avant Homes development in Vigo Lane, County Cllr. Martin advised that he would soon be having a meeting with the Planning Officer at which he would ask for the matters to be addressed.
- b) Re Minute 17/74 section b). The 30mph and 40mph road surface markings on North Road had eventually been re-painted by the County Council.
- c) Re Minute 17/74 section c). Cllr. Murray kindly agreed to check if the lighting for signs at the entrance to Picktree Lodge was now working.
- d) Re Minute 17/74 section d). The Co-op volunteers had now tidied the bridle path between Low Flatts and Drum Industrial Estate and had carried out the work to a high standard. The Clerk had thanked them for their efforts and asked that they send any photos that they had taken.
- e) Re Minute 17/74 section f). Re the flower bed in the grounds of Park View School, Cllr. Caygill gave an update on the next season's planting scheme chosen by the pupils. Some spring bulbs had been bought as part of this scheme.
- f) Re Minute 17/77 section a). To assist in future deliberations, Cllr. Murray asked if the hours allocated to each task carried out by the Gardener could be shown on the monthly Horticulture Report. Cllr. Driscoll advised that the recording of hours allocated was in hand.
- g) Re Minute 17/77 section c). Re the CDALC secretariat proposal, the Chairman and Cllr. May are to represent the Parish Council at the forthcoming CDALC AGM. The Chairman had been advised by CDALC that investment of the reserves would not be in stock and shares.
- h) Re Minute 17/77 section d). The refurbishment of the two bus shelters on North Road nearest to the Lambton Worm hotel had now been completed by the contractors. The Clerk advised that, regarding the shelter on the east side of North Road, in accordance with the contractor's quotation based on the County Council's survey, the walls inside the private garden had not required attention.

The Chairman's report included the matters contained in her written report below -

NORTH LODGE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING.19.9.2017.

There has been no meeting of the AAP Board since July 24th 2017.
So this report is not up to date.Next meeting is not until 25.9.2017.

AAP Information from last meeting. :-

Lumiere Project and Proposals.

Small group have this in hand more information at next meeting.

Leisure Centre Improvements.

The Leisure Centre is to share £2million of funding for swimming pool improvements.

New changing facilities.More shower units.More family events.

Many more adults and children are learning to swim.

Whilst this work is being undertaken the swimming baths will be closed from 4.9.2017 until 22.12.2017.

Arrangements are being taken so that everyone can swim and have lessons at other baths.

All swimming club members have been informed.

All other areas of the Leisure Centre will be open.

Wellbeing for Life.

Presentation by Michelle Gibson NHS.

To deliver in communities based on their needs.

Working with clients to improve health and wellbeing.Group delivery eg Bingo and Lingo,

Crafty chats,Seated exercise,Relax and renew,Walks,Cooking.

This it is hoped will improve mental wellbeing.,social isolation,Improve diets and weight loss,

Stop smoking and drinking.Exercise and Eatwise.Lets cook together.

One to one clients,

Community Health Champions.

To get in touch and more information contact Main Wellbeing Hub 08000 8766887

www.wellbeingforlife.net.

Town Centre Master Plan.

Ongoing. It is proposed that DCC Regeneration and Local Services teams continue to work with the AAP Coordinator to develop a clear evidence base and bench marking position for Chester le Street.

Once the evidence and benchmarking work has been finalised it is proposed that a specific session will be held with the AAP and DCC to identify key opportunities and issues

To understand the strengths and weaknesses threats and opportunities for the towns future.

Public Consultation Event,26.7.2017.At Hermitage School re Housing Development at Gibside.

Brass festival 14.7.2017 - *Goody*

Town Centre Christmas Lights and Festival,(Pre planing to start)

Diddycon – Comic and Gaming Convention /Youth programme.

This item to be discussed at next AAP in September after further discussions with the firm.

Who organise the event for Youth Task Group/AAP. Costs are rather large.

TASK GROUP CHAIRS.

Jake Rawlings (AAP Board Member) Children Young People and Families.

Mick Rogers (Forum Member) Development of Chester le Street.

Jane Sunter (Public Health-Forum Member) Health and Wellbeing/Older people.

Derek Briggs (Board Member) Local Environment.

Vacant. Employment Training and Enterprise.

Task Group.Children/Young People and Families.

Project for 2017/2018.

1.Have you say events with primary and secondary school

2.Careers Advice.

3.Support for families.

4.Feeling Safe

5.Mental Health.

Environment Task Group.

Work still going on at the Riverside.

Northumbria in Bloom..

Judging has taken place.around the areas.Good luck to all.

NORTH LODGE AREA.

Forthcoming use of the land by Highways England at the entrance to Picktree Lodge.

Ownership is by the Secretary of State for Transport and not by DCC or Gateshead!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

The Clerk to the Council and I are still working on this.

Hope to have more information at the next PCO!!!!!!!!!!!!!!.

Councillors thanked the Chairman for her report.

Item 6. 17/85 Portfolio Holders' Reports

a) Horticulture

The Chairman invited Cllr. May to give her report which included the matters contained in her written report below -

-

County Councils Responsibilities (16 Flower Beds)

- The current planted flower beds which caused a little concern on first painting of them in June, did recover very well from the harsh weather which we were encountering at the time. They eventually did look very pretty. The new winter bedding is due in to be planted up in October.
- Presently we have concerns regarding the two Diamond Flower Beds at Top of Picktree Lodge:
- Due to the repair/maintenance to the motorway bridge (spanning the Sustrans coast to coast walk/cycle way) just beyond Picktree Lodge, it is proposed to site a works/welfare compound on the large grassed area on the left hand side of the entrance to Picktree Lodge. The parish Council and others always believed that this green area was owned by Durham County Council. However we have recently been informed that it is part owned by Highways England, and therefore we cannot insist that these two flower beds be protected during the construction works. We have pointed out and requested that if possible the flower beds should be left accessible for planting and maintenance – feeding/weeding and watering- as well as the pleasant amenity for the local Residents during the 6 months of construction. We have been given no firm commitment as of to date.
- We at present do not foresee any disturbance required for Picktree Lodge Plinth during construction works. The plinth will be planted up as usual in October.

Parish Council/Gardener Responsibility

- **Raised Shrub Beds North Road**
These beds have been attended to. Shrubs in both beds have been trimmed but there are two large conifers which will need to be cut back by Durham County Council.
- **Bus Shelter. Barley Gate, Vigo Lane.**
When Avant housing development begins the sale of houses, serious consideration needs to be given for a bus shelter to be built around this bus stop. This stop will be well used by the public. It is on a very busy road and is very exposed to the elements.
- **Planting of flowers below wall opposite plinth at entrance to Picktree Lodge.**
This has been deferred until completion of construction works.
- **Electricity cabinet**
Will be painted this month.
- **Shelter. Ash Meadows, Picktree Village**
Thatched Ivy has been removed from shelter roof.

Bus

- **Flower Beds at entrance to North Lodge (Lambton Park)**

When the Geraniums have died back, they will be replaced with bulbs, leaving front area empty whilst Autumn leaves are falling.

- **Flower Bed at entrance to Longdean Park**

A resident from Longdean Park has commented that she and her neighbours are disappointed that this flower bed is not as colourful as the flower beds in North Road. The issue with this bed is (apart from shade and drippings from tree sap) lack of soil. However if more soil was imported the bed would need to have a retaining wall. The funding to be discussed at next Parish Council meeting.

After the July meeting it was agreed between the councillors concerned that work would start earlier regarding the handover of Northlands Shrub bed, Tubs and bus shelter environment.

- **Shrub Bed close to northlands Roundabout.**

The gardener has trimmed bottom corner of bed as it was becoming over grown and dangerous. He has weeded the bed. He will dead head the roses asap. The shrubs will be trimmed in October - onwards

- **Bus Shelter Northlands Flower/Shrub Beds (Back and two sides)**

Councillor Driscoll and Councillor May have removed some weeds from these beds last week. At this time there was no evidence of vomit in this area which was previously reported by Councillor Caygill. (Presumably washed away by rain).

- **Tubs at North Road near to Northlands Roundabout**

The two tubs will be re-planted by the Parish Gardener in October.

- **Low Flatts Play Area –**

The CO-OP Company have cut back the Hawthorn hedge and tidied up along the public footpath (black path) from the beginning of Low Flatts play area to the tuppenny bridge. They also repaired the fence leading to the Coveris pond.

Councillor May met with Martin Briscoe who quoted for cutting the Hawthorn hedge around Low Flatts play area - £340.16. This price is based on the work being done with a Tractor and Flail. Parish Councillors to consider accepting this quote at the September meeting.

- **Trees at Low Flatt Road**

Councillor Caygill requested for the trees in Low Flatt Road which were over hanging residents gardens to be assessed and possibly lopped. Councillor May met with Martin Briscoe who could not sanction this request due to Durham County Council's tree policy.

- **Handyman.**

Seat at Low Flatts play area to be varnished, when vandalism appears to have settled down in this area.

• **Heather Bed at Picktree Village**

Councillor Driscoll and Councillor May hope to set up a project for this area next year.

Background

The Heather bed which is looked after by the Parish Council Gardener forms only one third of the raised bed in this area. The rest of the bed is overgrown, neglected and unsightly and is a concern of Residents in the Village. The Leylandii hedge at back of bed requires trimming.

The plan was to firstly request that the hedge was trimmed by whoever owned it i.e. Property at back of hedge or owner of the raised bed. The whole bed would then need to be cleared. We had been informed of a company Skill Mill which was supposedly looking to help groups with environmental projects. FREE of CHARGE. Mrs Kirkup from the Village agreed to look at types of low maintenance plants which could be planted. Of course funding would need to be sourced

Outcome - firstly the 'free of charge' from Skill Mill had been incorrectly reported. Through the Land Registry Office the Parish Clerk established that Miller Homes owned all of the shrub bed. The Clerk has since written twice to Miller Homes regarding the care of this bed, but has had no reply.

Councillor Forrester (chairperson), the Parish Clerk and ourselves have agreed that no further work should be done on any of this bed for security reasons until further notice.

In Bloom 2017

The Award Ceremony has now taken place on 13 September 2017. North Lodge was given Silver Gilt award for their efforts and also won an award of £50 for the best new comer in 2017 entry. Mr & Mrs Kirkup from Picktree Village won a Special Award for their beautiful private garden

Well done everyone.

Regarding the flower bed at the entrance to Longdean Park, Councillors discussed its refurbishment. Cllr. Waugh kindly agreed to design a scheme for the structure of the bed. Re hedge cutting at Low Flatts, Councillors approved the County Council's quote of £340.16. Cllr. Caygill was very disappointed to discover that young hedging plants at Low Flatts had been cut down along with the weeds there. Cllrs. May and Driscoll will investigate this. Re trees in Low Flatts Road, an estimate for the works is to be obtained. Re the seat requiring attention at Low Flatts play area, Cllr. Murray kindly agreed to inspect it to help decide what work was required.

At this point, Councillor Hall arrived at the meeting.

Regarding the heather bed at Picktree Village, the Clerk is presently in negotiation with the land owner.

The Chairman thanked Cllr. May for her report and invited Cllr. Caygill to give her report.

b) Play Areas

Cllr. Caygill's report included the matters contained in her written report below -

MERLIN DRIVE

All equipment appears to be in order. Once again, despite the new bin I picked up a lot of litter. The moles have been busy again and there are several mounds.

LOW FLATTS

All equipment appears to be in order. During the holiday we had further vandalism to the safety surfacing. This was even worse than the first incident and was once again on the black surround area of the swings. This was reported to the Police and to DCC. I am pleased to report that the damage was very quickly repaired by DCC. Coun. Gregory and I met the police on site and it was agreed to give the area more visits.

However, the mentioned surround is showing signs of weakness.

I have asked for the hedge around the play area to be cut..

David now has the new sign and we await it being fixed.

The seat beside the hedge still needs varnishing.

The surrounding area has been greatly enhanced by the excellent work done by the Co op environmental group in clearing the footpath.

Margaret Caygill

The Chairman thanked Cllr. Caygill for her report and invited Cllr. Waugh to give his report.

c) Finance

Cllr. Waugh confirmed that he had received the most recent financial information and he was satisfied that the finances were in order.

The Chairman thanked Cllr. Waugh for his report and invited Cllr. Snaith to give his report.

d) Planning

Cllr. Snaith advised that there were no matters to report.

The Chairman thanked Cllr. Snaith.

e) Crime and Community Safety

In her absence, Cllr. Gregory had provided the recent PACT document below -

12th August 2017- 12th September 2017:

PACT

Police & Communities Together



North Lodge PACT

Current Priority:

ASB around Low Flatts Play Park.

Chester-Le-Street News

Free Home Fire Safety Check

A Home Fire Safety Check is a totally free service offered by County Durham and Darlington Fire and Rescue Service. If you contact us we will arrange a mutually convenient appointment for trained Fire and Rescue Service staff to do a personalised fire hazard assessment of your home. We will fit free smoke alarms where required and offer advice to make you and your family safer in your home. The appointment normally lasts about 20 minutes and covers topics such as:

Using electricity safely, Cooking safely. Making an escape plan. What to do if there is a fire in your home, Keeping children safe, Good practice – night time routine and other points relevant to you

To request a Free Home Fire Safety Check call us on 0845 2234221 or ring Service Headquarters on 0845 305 8383 and ask for Community Safety.

New Priority for October...

Please bring any ideas for new priorities.

Crime Prevention Tips

Many of us overlook the importance of vehicle security, whether it be our car or cycle. However, the valuables inside your car or the ease at which a bicycle can be stolen can make your vehicle a prime target for criminals.

Take all your belongings with you when you leave the car. If you cannot, then lock them in the boot out of sight.

Top 5 Crime Prevention Tips:

1. Ensure all windows and doors are locked.
2. Dusk till Dawn lights in the garden/yard. Try to keep boundary fencing down to 3ft or so then neighbours can see if anyone is in the garden etc.
3. Do not leave any items near the windows of your property for people to see. Put them out of sight!
4. Keep curtains / blinds closed during hours of darkness so that no one can see in the house.
5. Make use of electrical timer switches to turn lights on at different times when you are absent from the house. TV Simulators are also good to use, this makes it look like the television is on in the property to stop people approaching your property.

Community Updates:

Current Trends:

- There have been no reports of Burglary in North Lodge for the August period.
- There have been 1 reported theft for the North Lodge area for the August period, Queensmere, theft of stone garden planters.
- There have been 0 reports Anti social behaviour for August:
- There have been no reported incidents of criminal damage this month.
- There has been 2 reported incident of theft from motor vehicle this month, Kingsmere, both vehicles were left unlocked.

Good News

I am pleased to announce that PC 2722 Charlotte Burn has come to join our team and she is now looking after our area, please contact her on the email below if you have any queries you think she may be able to help with.

Key Messages:

- Operation Hawkeye: - Don't leave valuables on show in your vehicle, lock it or lose it
- Don't advertise your impending holiday on social networks!
- Chester-Le-Street Police Team have 51% increase in all crime year to date.
- Shoplifting in Chester-Le-Street has seen a 44% increase year to date.
- ASB in Chester-Le-Street has seen a 24% reduction year to date.
- Our current detection rate is at 21%.
- Theft from Motor Vehicles has seen a 217% increase year to date. **ENSURE YOU LOCK YOUR VEHICLE!**
- Durham Constabulary have been voted "outstanding" AGAIN! After our HMIC Inspection in October.

Focus on Neighbourhood Watch:

No doubt you will be aware of Neighbourhood Watch and the benefits it can bring not only to your street, but also to your community. We would like to request your help in establishing a scheme with you as a Coordinator who can act as a point of contact between the Police and other residents in your street.

If you are interested in setting up a Neighbourhood watch scheme, don't just assume that somebody else will do it. Contact your local Community Liaison Officer Mark Lumsden on: mark.lumsden@durham.pnn.police.uk or speak to PCSO 6389 Christine Taylor on 101 and ask to speak to myself. Let us answer any questions you may have.

Get In Contact With Us:

Your Neighbourhood Policing Team:

Inspector 1152

David Coxon

david.coxon@durham.pnn.police.uk

SGT 2213

Melvin Sutherland

melvin.sutherland@durham.pnn.police.uk

PC 2722

Charlotte Burn

charlotte.burn@durham.pnn.police.uk

PCSO 6389

Christine Taylor

christine.taylor@durham.pnn.police.uk

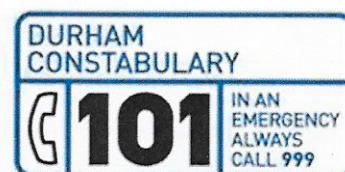
If there is an emergency always call 999. If there is something you want to contact the police about but it is not an emergency please call the 24 hour non-emergency number: 101

Your local Neighbourhood Police Team can be contacted by calling the same 24 hour non-emergency number or via the email address as above.

We want your views on crime & policing in (Area). As part of the commitment in the Policing Pledge we attend pre-arranged regular public meetings to discuss & agree with you, the local community, your priorities.

These meetings are 'PACT' (police & communities together) meetings & provide an opportunity for the community to engage with police & partner agencies, enabling & encouraging community members to work with us in tackling issues & improving your community.

*Your Next PACT meeting is normally the
second **Wednesday** of every month.*



Minicom helpline for deaf users: 0191 375 2090.

www.durham.police.uk/chesterlestreet

Partnership Agency Contacts:

Highways Action Line: 0191 370 6000 - Any issues with Street Light, Roads & Pavements.

Durham County Council: 0300 123 7070 – Concerns regarding Litter, Dog Fouling, Collection of Used Needles

Cestria Housing Association: 0191 385 1900 or Email Enquiries@Cestria.org

Environmental Services: 0191 371 1040

Crime Stoppers 0800 555 111



Social Media



www.facebook.com/CLSPolice



Twitter: @CLS_Police



Remember...

If there is an emergency always call **999**. If there is something you want to contact the police about but it is not an emergency please call the 24 hour non-emergency number: **101**

www.durham.police.uk/chesterlestreet

In addition, Cllr. Gregory had advised the Clerk that she would be speaking to the Police re the reported 51% increase in crime and 44% increase in shoplifting. Cllr. Gregory had also requested that at Low Flatts play area anyone seen to be carrying out antisocial behaviour should not be approached but should be reported to the Police or to either herself or Cllr. Caygill.

The Chairman thanked Cllr. Gregory for providing the report.

f) Highways and Website

In the absence of Cllr. Noble-Nesbitt, no report was made.

g) Publicity

Cllr. Forrester advised that all matters had been contained in her Chairman's Report earlier in the meeting.

Councillors thanked the Chairman.

Item 7. 17/86 Correspondence

1) From npower

Email re electricity account.

2) From a resident

- a) Email re seat at Low Flatts Play Area.
- b) Email re Parish Council noticeboards.

3) From Community Lincs

Email re addition to insurance cover.

4) From BDO LLP

Notice of completion of audit.

There were no matters raised by the auditors.

5) From County Durham Association of Local Councils

- a) Email re Better Broadband Subsidy Scheme.
- b) Email re General Data Protection Regulation.
- c) Email re County Durham Skill Mill.
- d) Email re free standards training session.
- e) Email re CDALC AGM.

6) From Durham County Council

- a) Email from the County Councillor re remembrance bench.
- b) Email re planned Highways England compound at Picktree Lodge.
- c) Letter re proposal to remove street lighting.
- d) Letter re budget setting 2018 / 2019.
- e) Notification of AAP Environment Task Group meeting to be held on Thursday 21st September 2017.
- f) Notification of AAP Board meeting to be held on Monday 25th September 2017.
- g) Quote for Christmas Tree lights.

Councillors agreed to accept the quote of £266.89 + VAT.

- 7) Various planning applications, approvals and refusals from Durham County Council, of which the following were within North Lodge Parish:-
- Application for tree works - prune 1 no. Beech tree to clear garage by 3m, remove deadwood of 3 no. Willows and 2 no. Maples, and reduce height of Holly group to 2m, at 6 North Lodge.
 - Application for alteration and extension of existing dwelling and erection of detached garage, at Lough Finn, 31 North Lodge.
 - Outline Application for the erection of a detached bungalow, with appearance, layout and scale matters reserved, at 7 Eastlands.
 - Approval for single storey classroom extension, at Castle View Nursery, Blind Lane.
 - Approval for erection of extension to southern elevation, detached garage to rear and alterations to boundary treatments, at 5 North Lodge.
 - Approval for tree works - prune 1 no. Beech tree to clear garage by 3m, remove deadwood of 3 no. Willows and 2 no. Maples, and reduce height of Holly group to 2m, at 6 North Lodge.

Item 8. 17/87 Vigo Lane Housing Development Section 106 and the County Councillor's Neighbourhood Budget monies

Councillors and the County Councillor discussed several proposals for the use of these monies. It was agreed that Councillors should, wherever possible, have informal consultations with local residents to seek their opinions and ideas for a further discussion at next month's meeting.

Item 9. 17/88 Payment of Accounts

TO	AMOUNT	REASON	VAT
Salaries	£ 478.36	Salaries August 2017	
Expenses	£ 80.00	Expenses August 2017	
Durham County Pension Fund	£ 145.30	Pensions August 2017	
Pot-It-On	£ 252.00	Horticulture August 2017	
Pot-It-On	£ 152.00	Environment Care August 2017	
D. Murrell (via Maxwells DIY)	£ 9.18	Paint and Brush	£ 1.53
D. Murrell (via Post Office Ltd)	£ 16.16	Postage Stamps	
D. Murrell (via The Sign Maker)	£ 224.49	Metal Sign	£ 37.41
Salaries	£ 478.36	Salaries September 2017	
Expenses	£ 80.00	Expenses September 2017	
Durham County Pension Fund	£ 145.30	Pensions September 2017	
Pot-It-On	£ 485.50	Horticulture September 2017	
Pot-It-On	£ 190.00	Environment Care September 2017	
E. Forrester	£ 150.00	Chair's Quarterly Allowance	
HM Customs and Revenue	£ 239.40	P.A.Y.E.	
BDO LLP	£ 240.00	Audit Fee	£ 40.00
Durham County Council	£ 694.03	Website Hosting	£115.67
Interplan	£ 144.00	Play Area Sign	£ 24.00
D. Murrell (via HM Land Registry)	£ 6.00	Register Search	
St. Astier Ltd	£5174.32	Works to Bus Shelters	£862.39
M. Caygill (via Aldi Stores)	£ 14.90	Spring Bulbs	£ 2.48
Total Payments	£9399.30		

(Resolved - the payments be approved as submitted).

Item 10. 17/89 Other Matters for Information

The following matter was submitted for information.

Cllr. Murray requested that consideration be given to planting of wildflowers on the Baffle Bank. Councillors agreed that Cllr. Murray and the County Councillor should consult with local residents after completion of the forthcoming work by Highways England at the entrance to Picktree Lodge.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.45pm.

North Lodge Parish Council

Accounts for the month as submitted to the Meeting of North Lodge Parish Council held on Tuesday 19th September 2017.

TO	AMOUNT	REASON	VAT
Salaries	£ 478.36	Salaries August 2017	
Expenses	£ 80.00	Expenses August 2017	
Durham County Pension Fund	£ 145.30	Pensions August 2017	
Pot-It-On	£ 252.00	Horticulture August 2017	
Pot-It-On	£ 152.00	Environment Care August 2017	
D. Murrell (via Maxwells DIY)	£ 9.18	Paint and Brush	£ 1.53
D. Murrell (via Post Office Ltd)	£ 16.16	Postage Stamps	
D. Murrell (via The Sign Maker)	£ 224.49	Metal Sign	£ 37.41
Salaries	£ 478.36	Salaries September 2017	
Expenses	£ 80.00	Expenses September 2017	
Durham County Pension Fund	£ 145.30	Pensions September 2017	
Pot-It-On	£ 485.50	Horticulture September 2017	
Pot-It-On	£ 190.00	Environment Care September 2017	
E. Forrester	£ 150.00	Chair's Quarterly Allowance	
HM Customs and Revenue	£ 239.40	P.A.Y.E.	
BDO LLP	£ 240.00	Audit Fee	£ 40.00
Durham County Council	£ 694.03	Website Hosting	£115.67
Interplan	£ 144.00	Play Area Sign	£ 24.00
D. Murrell (via HM Land Registry)	£ 6.00	Register Search	
St. Astier Ltd	£5174.32	Works to Bus Shelters	£862.39
Total Payments	£9384.40		

Balance to 31st July 2017

Balance b/f	£42193.72	Balances at Bank:-	
Deduct Payments - July 2017	<u>£ 1844.54</u>		
	£40349.18		
		Current	£ 254.64
		30 Day	<u>£40094.54</u>
		Total	£40349.18
		Deduct cheques not yet presented	<u>£ Nil</u>
Balance c/f	£40349.18		£40349.18