



These were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair. (DB, IS)

## **RESOLVED**

**To accept all of the minutes as above and recommendations contained therein.**

### **5. Matters of Information**

None

### **6. Dates of Meetings**

The meetings for the forthcoming month had been circulated.

The Clerk also suggested that the December meetings – which will be all held on one evening – 10<sup>th</sup> December – should be changed to Ceddesfeld Hall in light of the amount of kitchen equipment being stored in the room in the Council Offices. This was agreed. In addition it was pointed out that the dates of the working party meetings for the Parish Hall have now been changed to 8.30 am on Thursday mornings.

**RESOLVED: To accept the dates and amendments as detailed**

### **7. Other Reports**

#### **7.1 Parish Hall**

Cllr. Tim Jeanes gave a brief report on progress with the refurbishment of the Parish Hall.

The scaffolding has now been erected and the roof work is due to start the next day. The rendering etc. is due to start on 19<sup>th</sup> November and prices are still awaited for a new heating system. It is now important to meet the contractor who has been awarded the tender for the refurbishment of the bar etc. in order to clarify the specification and it will be necessary to have agreement on the decor, colours etc.

It is also now important to meet with the acoustic contractors as soon as possible.

The Chairman, Cllr. Dudley Waters congratulated the Clerk Lesley Swinbank and Community Development Officer Angela Simpson on accessing the funding etc. and thanks in particular to Cllr. Jeanes who is giving a lot of time and work to the project.

#### **7.2 Durham Association AGM**

Cllr. Ian Sutherland gave a verbal report on the recent CDALC AGM in Durham.

**RESOLVED**

**To receive the information**

#### **7.3 Residents Forum Minutes**

These had been circulated.

**RESOLVED**

**To receive the information**

**8. Chairman's Announcements**

The Mayor, Cllr. Dudley Waters, gave details of the events which he had attended on behalf of the Town Council. These included: -

- a) Sunflower Awards at local school assemblies
- b) The Veterans Weekend
- c) STC Charity Quiz
- d) Chilton Social Event
- e) Two Remembrance Services

In addition he reminded Members of the Casino Night at Ceddesfeld Hall on 24<sup>th</sup> November and the Dinner Quiz at the Racecourse which will be held on 4<sup>th</sup> February.

Cllr. Rita Taylor informed Members that Bradley Saunders from Sedgefield has won a bronze medal in Chicago and has qualified for the Olympics next year in Beijing.

**RESOLVED**

**To write a letter of congratulations and to invite him to the Cheese and Wine Reception**

**9. Correspondence**

**9.1 Standards Board: Bulletin 35**

This had been circulated.

**RESOLVED**

**To receive the information**

**9.2 Flagpole planning consent: SBC**

SBC have now confirmed that planning consent is needed for the flagpole.

**RESOLVED**

**The Clerk to submit the application as soon as possible**

**9.3 Erection of Stables: SBC**

A reply has been received from SBC in regard of the query raised about the erection of stables at the old sewerage works, Salters Lane. SBC have confirmed that they feel it is not the applicant's intention to develop the site for gypsies.

**RESOLVED**

**To receive the information**

**9.4 Temporary Sign: New Dentist**

The new NHS Dentist Dr. Hyder has written to the Town Council with details of the temporary signs which he would like to place outside the building.

**RESOLVED**

- i) **To receive the information**
- ii) **To offer no objections to the signs**

**9.5 NALC: Direct Information Service**

**RESOLVED**

**To receive the information**

**9.6 Standard Newsletter**

Information from the Standards Board has been received.

**RESOLVED**

**To receive the information**

**9.7 N.E. Assembly**

Information has been received from the above.

**RESOLVED**

**To receive the information**

**10. Public Participation**

The Chair, Cllr. Dudley Waters closed the meeting whilst the public gave their views and comments.

The meeting was then re-opened.

**11. Royal Garden Party**

Information has been received from CDALC inviting nominations for attendance at the Royal Garden Party in 2008.

**RESOLVED**

**To nominate Cllr. Dudley Waters**

**12. Unitary Authority**

In the absence of Cllr. Robinson this has been deferred until December.

**13. Hon. Burgess (JR)**

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**14. Current Planning Applications**

A schedule of the current planning applications had been circulated.

**RESOLVED**

**To make the comments as attached.**

The Chairman, Cllr. Dudley Waters thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.15 p.m.