THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SEATON WITH SLINGLEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 18 JUNE 2025

Present: Councillor A Slater (Chair)

Councillors A Blacklock, S Falkner, G Fuller, S McAuliffe, D Temple, A Vila, S Williams.

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor A Taylor.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting and Annual Assembly of Electors held on 14 May 2025, copies of which had been circulated to each Member, were approved and signed by the Chair.

4 PUBLIC QUESTIONS

There was no public present at the meeting.

5 POLICE MATTERS

The Police reported that 11 incidents were reported in the Seaton parish area between 1 May and 16 June 2025. This included 1 report of anti-social behaviour involving youths on an off-road motorbike with no number plate on the B1404. All other incidents were reliable sightings or road related incidents on the B1404.

The Clerk reported that a PACT meeting was held on 12 June 2025. Issues raised by residents at the meeting included speeding on the B1404, issues at Hoy Crescent and off-road motorbikes causing a nuisance.

The following PACT meetings were scheduled to be held in Seaton Community Centre at 6pm.

1 August 2025 26 September 2025 27 November 2025

RESOLVED that the information given, be noted.

6 CORRESPONDENCE

(1) Seaham Town Council

The Clerk reported that Councillor Margaret Levitt was the new Mayor of Seaham and Councillor David Harding was the Deputy Mayor.

RESOLVED that the information given, be noted.

(2) Seaham Town Council - Cancelled Events

The Clerk reported that Seaham Town Council had cancelled the following events.

- Mayor At Home 23 June 2025
- Bonker Bingo 26 July 2025

RESOLVED that the information given, be noted.

7 PLANNING APPLICATION

DM/25/01198/FPA – Extension of single storey golf driving range to provide an additional 10 bays at Sharpley Golf Course, Seaham for Sharpley Golf.

RESOLVED that the information given, be noted.

8 CLERKS REPORT

(1) Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2024/2025

The Clerk reported that following the last meeting the Parish Council had completed and returned Part 2 of the 2024/2025 Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) to the external auditor.

The external auditor had confirmed receipt of the 2024/2025 AGAR, and all the relevant information had been published on the Parish Council's website.

RESOLVED that the information given, be noted.

(2) Updates

(i) Damaged Fencing

The Clerk reported that following the last meeting the damaged fence at the car park at the entrance to the Walkway was reported to Durham County Council. Members were advised that the fence had been repaired.

RESOLVED that the information given, be noted.

(ii) Dog Fouling

The Clerk reported that following concerns raised in relation to the increase in dog fouling on the walkway Durham County Council were asked to provide additional signage on the walkway advising dog owners of their responsibility to pick up after their dogs and dispose of it properly.

Members were advised that the County Council had installed 7 additional signs on the walkway advising dog owners of their responsibilities.

RESOLVED that the information given, be noted.

9 MEMBER ISSUES

(1) Bus Shelter - Seaton Lane

Members referred to the poor condition of the bus shelter opposite Cairnside.

The Clerk advised that the bus shelter had been reported to Durham County Council for a clean-up and to have the ivy cut back.

RESOLVED that the issue be reported again to Durham County Council.

10 PAYMENTS

RESOLVED that the following schedule of payments be approved.

CHQ NO	PAYMENT TO	DETAIL	COST	VAT	TOTAL
100905	HMRC	PAYE - June 2025	243.31		243.31
100906	Payroll	Wages - June 2025	698.97		698.97
100907	JACS Accountancy Limited	Payroll Services - June 202	5 12.50	2.50	15.00
100908	Durham County Council	Servicing of Rubbish/Dog B	ins and 1,605.35	321.07	1,926.42
		Grass Cutting			
Sheet 178	HSBC	Bank Charges	7.00		7.00
			TOTAL 2,567.13	323.57	2,890.70

11 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED that the next meeting be held on 16 July 2025 at 6.45pm.

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