

## BEARPARK COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 8 DECEMBER 2016

#### Present:

Gordon Hull (Chair)  
Ian Leslie (Treasurer)  
Eleanor Wilding (Secretary)  
Michael Turnbull  
Marion Wilson  
Gwen Henderson

#### Apologies:

There were no apologies for absence.

<b>1. Constitution</b>  Approval of draft agreed and signed.	
<b>2. Treasurer's Report</b>  IL spoke to the Durham Credit Union. They have no online option and would be delays in setting up with them. The possibility of start-up funding from local council was raised.	IL to approach the Nationwide.
<b>3. Liaison with Area Action Partnership</b>  MT suggested approaching Barbara Williams of the AAP to come and talk to us about how we can develop.	MT to arrange this for next meeting if possible.
<b>4. Social Media</b>  MT reported that Twitter and Facebook accounts were in the process of being set up. Website possibilities to be investigated.	IT to offer details of a possible website developer who works to help charities.
<b>5. Achievements to date</b>  A summary of achievements to date were discussed, this included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A walk from Aldin Grange bridge to the Community</li></ul>	

<p>Centre focussing on the impression for people entering the village and to identify immediate actions and longer term ones that could be taken to improve that impression;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Swept, raked and litter picked the front of the Community Centre;</li> <li>• Swept and cleared Chapel grounds;</li> <li>• Informed local institutions of the formation of the Community Partnership: Residents Group, Methodist Chapel, Community Centre and the school;</li> <li>• Stall at village fair to encourage interest.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>6. Future Action(s)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Further improvement of the Community Centre front - Tues 13/12/2016</li> <li>b. Next walk to look for improvements from the Community Centre to the end of the village.</li> <li>c. Consider what might be done to improve appearance of church yard.</li> <li>d. Cleaning village sign 11:30 am 10/12/2016</li> </ul>	<p>GH/MT/IL/EW to carry out, providing Community Centre in agreement.</p> <p>To be agreed next meeting.</p> <p>GH to talk to Mrs. Ross.</p> <p>GH/IL</p>
<p><b>7. Acknowledgements</b></p> <p>MT placed on record his thanks to the Partnership from the Parish Council for their assistance at the Christmas Fair</p>	
<p><b>8. Date of next Meeting</b></p> <p>Thursday 12th January 2017 at 6 pm in the Methodist Chapel.</p>	