



## ALSTON MOOR PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

The minutes of the proceedings of the **EXTRAORDINARY MEETING** of Alston Moor Parish Council (AMPC) held on **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> of December 2023** at 14:00hrs in Alston Town Hall.

### Present:

**Chairman:** Cllr. Raymond Miller (RM)  
**Councillors:** Cllr. Best, Cllr. Green, Cllr. Hanley, Cllr. Martin, Cllr. Edgar, Cllr. Ho, Cllr. Monk, and Cllr. Robinson.

**Clerk/RFO:** Lindsay Nicholson (LN)

**Also in attendance:** None

**Members of the Public:** 1

2023/040	<b>Apologies for Absence</b> Apologies for absence were received from Cllr. Ransom, Cllr. Bondi, and Cllr. Grew <b>Resolved: to receive the apologies and accept the reasons given</b>
2023/041	<b>Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensation</b> None
2023/042	<b>Exclusion of Press &amp; Public (Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960)</b> It was agreed that item 2023/043 Staff Pension Scheme would be discussed under the Exclusion of Press and Public. Item moved to the end of the agenda.
2023/044	<b>Furniture</b> <i>Motion: To approve the purchase of office chair at the cost of £25.00</i> <i>Proposer: Cllr. Miller, Seconder: Cllr. Robinson, Vote: nem. con.</i> <b>Resolved: to approve the purchase of chair</b>
2023/045	<b>Higher Education School Transport</b> The local school had raised concern with the Parish Council about the local young people's transport to access 6 <sup>th</sup> Form in Durham. In recent bad weather the bus can struggle to drive over Killhope. The route was gritted in this circumstance but the school worries about access in the future. The Parish Council indicated it would send a letter of support to Highways and request that the route continues to receive grit as a priority for the local area. <i>Motion: To write a letter of support to highways indicating the need for gritting on this route.</i>  <i>Proposer: Cllr. Miller, Seconder: Cllr. Davies, Vote: nem. con.</i> <b>Resolved: to receive the information</b>
2023/043	<b>Staff Pension Scheme (Closed Session)</b> <b>2023/043.1 Parish Council Pension Provider</b> <i>Motion: to authorise the use of NEST as the Parish Council Pension Provider.</i> <i>Proposer: Cllr. Davies, Seconder: Cllr. Martin, Vote: nem. con.</i> <b>Resolved: authorise the use of NEST</b>

**2023/043.2 Pension Scheme Type**

Scheme 1 represents the basic requirements for employers.

*Motion: to authorise enrolment of staff on scheme 1.*

*Proposer: Cllr. Davies, Seconder: Cllr. Martin, Vote: nem. con.*

**Resolved: to use NEST scheme 1**

**2023/043.3 Authorisation to allow the Payroll Provider to set up the Council's NEST scheme.**

*Motion: to authorise the payment of the payroll provider to set up the Council's NEST Scheme*

*Proposer: Cllr. Davies, Seconder: Cllr. Martin, Vote: nem. con.*

**Resolved: authorise the payroll provider to set up the NEST scheme**

**Date and Time of Next Meeting**

The next meeting is scheduled to be held on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> of January 2023 at 7.00pm. Meeting to be held in Alston Town Hall.

Cllr. Miller closed the meeting at 14:55 hrs

**Please note: all Parish Council meetings are open to members of the Public.**

Chair Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_