PRESENT: Gordon Edwards (Chairman), Gary Britton, Peter Anstee, Ian Booth

Filomena Palmer (Clerk)

1. To Receive and approve apologies for absence:

Will Childs and S Lewis

RESOLVED: All the above was approved by the Chairman

2. To Receive and approve for signature the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 2nd October 2017

RESOLVED: That the minutes be signed by the chairman as a correct record of the meeting

3. To Note any matters arising from the 2nd October 2017 Minutes

RESOLVED: Gordon reported that Simon Kensington has resigned as the Pocket Park Treasurer and has handed over to the Parish Council all the financial paper work, cheque book and the share of the monies raised from the fireworks party that pertained to the Pocket Park.

4. Public Participation Session.

5. There was no public present.

6. To receive declarations of interest under the Council’s Code of Conduct related to business on the agenda.
7. To receive a report from Nancy Baines re: Pathfinder II Flood Resilience Project – Lowick

**RESOLVED:** Nancy Baines sent her apologies for her absence due to the bad weather and the distance she would have to travel. She sent a email listed the relevant points she wanted the Parish Council to discuss. After discussing the email it was decided that Gary Britton coordinates with Nancy as to what needs to be done and helps to arrange a site survey with Nancy and report back at our next meeting.

8. To discuss Possible Training for Gary Britton re: Parish Mapping as suggested by NALC’s email

**RESOLVED:** It was agreed that the Clerk would email Anne Kirkland (NALC Office) and book Gary in for training.

9. To receive report from Ian Booth as to his findings re: Transparency Code\Fund Application

**RESOLVED:** Ian confirmed that he had looked into the application form and had part completed the form and researched the cost of the equipment and work needed for a web site. It was agreed that Gary as a recently retired person would have more time to devote to the necessary work needed to get this project off the ground and he agreed to take the task over.

10. To Discuss any planning issue that may arise

**RESOLVED:** No planning issues were raised

11. To discuss and agree on the following year’s precept.

**RESOLVED:** After discussion it was agreed the the precept be left as the previous year at £4200 per annum.

12. To receive any financial or management requirement re: Lowick Pocket Park

**RESOLVED:** As Simon Kensington has resigned as treasurer and that there no longer are any committee members is was agreed that the Parish Council oversee any financial and health and safety issues that may arise. We also agreed to hold all the financial records and accounts but the Pocket Park would still require a small committee to fund raise to keep the Park financially viable and self sufficient.

13. Clerk to report any outcome of Speed Limit meeting by Highways Dept re: Slipton Lane, Slipton

**RESOLVED:** Clerk reported that the bottom line of the Highways letter was that they have no money to complete any work necessary to make Slipton Lane safer. The Parish Council is
not satisfied with this response especially in the light of a potentially serious accident which occurred only a few days ago involving 3 vehicles.

14. To receive financial accounts to date + report on possible change of electrical supplier

**RESOLVED:** Clerk produced quote from Cardinal Energy showing a saving of only 11%. It was agreed that we request more information and ask more questions before a decision could be made.

15. Date of next meeting was agreed to be on Tuesday, 6\(^{th}\) March 2018 at 7.30pm in the Germain Rooms
16. There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.15pm