

West Rainton Parish Council - 18 May 2017

Item 19:

Representation at CDALC Executive Committee and Durham Area Action Partnership Board

Report of G Keedy, Project Officer

A request has been received from County Durham Association of Local Councils (CDALC) for a meeting to be convened of the CDALC Durham Area Committee which consists of up to three representatives from each of the following Parish councils:-

Bearpark, Belmont, Framwellgate Moor, Pittington, Shadforth, Sherburn Village, Shincliffe, West Rainton and Witton Gilbert.

The three members (up to) of each council who attend this meeting should choose who they wish to see as their CDALC Executive Committee member and their AAP Board representative.

The previous CDALC Executive Committee Cllr A Walker from Belmont Parish Council was not re-elected and a replacement is required to represent the nine councils on the CDALC Executive Committee.

Similarly the AAP Board representative Cllr J Knight from Belmont Parish Council was also not re-elected and a replacement is required for the AAP Board to represent the nine councils.

Background information:

CDALC

The CDALC AGM in October brings all Association councils together, the Executive Committee meets quarterly – first Wednesday of March, June, September and December and makes decisions for the whole of the parish sector in County Durham on both local and national issues where they arise.

There is feed in to these meetings from the Larger and Smaller Council forums which are held approx. two to three weeks before Executive Committee meetings. The Chairman of both of these Forums attend to express the wishes of Larger and Smaller councils in County Durham.

Area Action Partnerships

AAPs have been set up to give people in County Durham a greater choice and voice in local affairs. The partnerships allow people to have a say on services, and give organisations the chance to speak directly with local communities. By working in partnership we help ensure that the services of a range of organisations - including the county and town and parish councils, police, fire, health, and voluntary organisations - are directed to meet the needs of local communities and focus their actions and spending on issues important to these local communities.

More information about Durham AAP can be found at: <http://www.durham.gov.uk/durhamaap>

In 2016, meetings were held most months at venues throughout the AAP area.

Parish Council should note that no formal mechanism exists for the convening and administering of the CDALC Durham Area Committee.

Parish Council is asked to:

Consider making up to three nominations to act as representatives on CDALC Durham Area Committee.