

## **NEWBIGGIN-BY-THE-SEA TOWN COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of a Meeting of the Grant Committee held on Wednesday 10 July 2013 at 12.30 pm at the Newbiggin Arts Centre**

PRESENT: Councillors: L Burns (Chairperson) W Rogers

Officer: D Earl – Town Clerk

#### **GC06/13 APOLOGY FOR ABSENSE**

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Boon.

#### **GC07/13 MINUTES**

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 15 May 2013 were confirmed and signed by the Chairperson.

#### **GC08/13 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

**RESOLVED:** That under Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items on the Agenda as they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1 and 3 of Part I of Schedule 12A of the 1972 Act relating to personal financial and business affairs.

#### **GC09/13 APPLICATIONS FOR GRANT**

The Town Clerk reported on the receipt of several further applications for grant assistance and circulated the details of the applications which each demonstrated degrees of community benefit for local organizations.

Members were keen to see the training initiatives develop that were proposed by Blyth Resource and Initiative Centre at East Lea and to be available to as many people as possible and throughout the wider town if possible. They were encouraged by the desire to strengthen the new community group Newbigginers at East Lea and intended activities.

It was noted that the Northumberland County Blind Association had over 140 members and service users in the town with nearly half receiving recent rehabilitation. They were keen to highlight accessibility in the town at an event to be held on 8 September.

A new ladies football club would provide an opportunity for a percentage of girls from the town to play on Sunday afternoons.

RESOLVED that the following grants be awarded:

- (i) £300 to Blyth Resource and Initiative Centre for application 13/10 towards the provision of ICT courses and skills ;
- (ii) £300 to Newbigginers for application 13/11 towards training and qualifications for new Committee members;
- (iii) £300 to Northumberland County Blind Association for application 13/12 towards the 'See-Side' Walk to raise awareness;
- (iv) £100 to Ashington Woodhorn Lane Ladies Football Club for application 13/13 towards the start up costs of a new ladies team.

Signed by the Chairperson: .....

Date:.....