

# DRAFT MINUTES OF KNARSDALE WITH KIRKHAUGH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD MONDAY 12TH MARCH 2018.

**Meeting commenced at 8.15p.m. following on from the Annual Meeting.**

**Present:** Cllrs M Mennie (Chair), JJ Raine (Vice Chair) A Armstrong, T Moore, J Reed & I Hutchinson (NCC).

**Apologies:** Cllrs J Grieves & W Watson.

**1. Public Question** –Must be submitted in writing prior to Parish Council meetings to allow for a detailed and accurate response. None received.

**2. Minutes (including any ratification of decisions taken) of meeting** held 15th January 2018 were agreed and signed.

**3. Declaration of Interest:** Eals Bridge Planning Application Cllr Moore & Cllr Hutchinson (NCC)

## **4. Matters Arising:**

Highway Issues: Work on ditches/drains/potholes/cutting back hedges etc. ongoing. Caravan Park – major work will be carried out next financial work (18/19). Eals Bridge – permissions in place, work will commence shortly. Cllr Hutchinson continues to pass on all concerns/issues raised to NCC.

Old School: Have contacted solicitors to ask if there is anything we can do to expedite this matter.

The Hearse House: No further update.

Rents Paid to Church: Awaiting update from Vicar.

South Tyne Railway: Level Crossing – permission not yet granted, no gates in situ although trains passing over road now and again. Soil heaps – some levelling and re-seeding has taken place but still too high, drainage concerns. Cllr Hutchinson to pass comments onto NCC Enforcement Officer. Drain – ditch not running into gully, NCC to be notified.

South Tyne Trail – Cllr Hutchinson to supply documentation to assist with the gathering/collation of evidence of use as a right of way.

## **5. Parish Council's Projects:**

Play Park: Phase 2- drainage work has been delayed due to weather conditions.

Notice Board (Community Hall): New door made – still to be fitted.

Scarecrow Competition/Industrial & Produce Show: Article to go in the Local News – If anyone would like to help, either on the day or help to organise the event, please get in touch with either a Parish Councillor or the Clerk.

## **6. Planning Applications:**

18/00009/LBC: LBC for maintenance, repair and upgrade of the bridge, including strengthening of cantilevers, removal of defective stones and replacement with new stones, filling of the voids, waterproofing and surfacing of the bridge – Eals Bridge, Slaggyford. – **NCC Granted permission.**

## **7. Financial:**

Monies: £296.60 + £6,220.95 + £1,934.40 website funding = £8,451.95.

LESS: Clerk's 6 mnths Salary (including HMRC payment) + expenses £400.70, Website (setting up/training/equipment) £592.74, Mole control £50.00 = £7,408.51.

## **8. Grass Cutting Tenders:**

Four tenders sent out, two returned, these were opened and discussed. All Cllrs were in agreement to award the work to Geoff Sloan.

## **9. Transparency, Open-ness & Accountability:**

Website up and running. Funding received, £1,934.40, will be ring fenced as stipulated for equipment, training etc.

Policies, procedures etc – will continue to be reviewed and amended as necessary.

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**10. Tynedale Local Area Council:**

Nothing to report.

**11. Correspondence:**

Knarsdale With Kirkhaugh Community Hall Committee – annual payment for hall rental will remain unchanged for 2018/19.

NCC Consultation on Post 16 Transport Policy – closes 2/4/18

NCC Consultation on Education in the West of Northumberland Phase 2 (19/2 – 9/4/18)

Being Active Matters Project – literature handed round from presentation held in Haltwhistle 20/2.

Local Council Public Advisory Service – review of ethical standards in local government.

**12. Any Other Business:**

Drain above the Station requires attention - Cllr Hutchinson to inform Highways.

Listed road bridge (going to Far House) was damaged by snow clearing vehicle – Cllr Hutchinson to speak to NCC Highways.

**13. Date of Next Meeting:** Monday 14th May 2018 at 7.30p.m.

Meeting closed at 9.20p.m.

Signed: .....

Date: .....