

DRAFT MINUTES OF KNARSDALE WITH KIRKHAUGH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD MONDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER 2017 AT 7.30P.M.

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

Apologies: Cllr 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 of meeting** held 10th July 2017 were agreed and signed.
- 3. Declaration of Interest:** None..

4. Matters Arising:

Highway Issues: Hedge trimming/grass verges etc. ongoing, patches nearly complete then will be re-surfaced. Camber on the road (Thornhope) an accident spot, bend on Lintley Bank – road surface needs attention.

Old School: Nothing further to report. Cllr Mennie to give Clerk info which can be forwarded to Mr Webster the solicitor who is trying to resolve the matter.

The Hearse House: M Mennie and I Hutchinson to finalise documents.

Rents Paid to Church: Agreed to collate all the relevant info and write direct to the Church to try and resolve this issue. Christine Ridley has requested a copy, to ensure that they are adhering to the terms.

South Tyne Railway: I Hutchinson reported that a legal letter from NCC is to be sent to STR.

Cyber Moor (Old Reading Room): Cllr Mennie will chase up, to 'make good' following the work carried out.

5. Parish Council's Projects:

Play Park: Phase 1 complete, first invoice paid and grant funding claimed.

Notice Board (Community Hall): Maintenance still to be carried out, new door required.

Scarecrow Competition/ Industrial & Produce Show: Held on Saturday 9th September in the Community Hall: 15 Classes – 3 had no entries, overall 73 entries (30p/entry) – gave out 34 prizes. Pennine Ways Estate Agents gave £100 sponsorship, received a £10.00 donation from a parishioner, entries/teas/raffle raised £98.70 – total income £208.70 less expenses for prizes/teas £449.93 – cost £241.23 (which is less than the Parish in Bloom expenses). The James Raine Cup was awarded to Ellen Walton – best garden photo within the parish entry. Cllrs agreed the event was well supported, interest shown for it to be held next year – same date, second Saturday in September (8th) Cllrs thanked the Clerk, Ellen, for all her hard work in organising the event.

6. Planning Applications:

Planning Application 17/01655/LBC Listed building consent for masonry repairs, including repointing and indenting areas of missing/severely eroded masonry with new stone to match the existing. Drill a number of small holes through the reinforced concrete bridge deck and pump a flowable grout into the existing material. Proposed to construct a new river retaining wall (gabion basket structure) to replace the one damaged by floods. Works to the walls adjacent to Eals Bridge – Eals Bridge Knarsdale Northumberland CA8 7PL - **NCC Granted permission.**

Planning Application 17/02137/FUL First floor rear extension, rebuilding of attached garage and alterations – Cherry Tree Cottage, A689 Slaggyford Main Road Through Village Slaggyford CA8 7NH - **NCC Granted permission.**

7. Local Transport Plan Programme 2018/19:

After discussion it was agreed to request: A689 Road - Anti skid surface (both carriageways) ½ mile south of Slaggyford, corner adjacent to Broad Band Kiosk – an accident black spot, 3 accidents in last month. Contact John Raine, 01343 381196, Thornhope, Slaggyford. Also A689 Road at Glendue – resurfacing of road.

8. Financial:

Monies: £296.51 + £5,425.99 + 1,284.80 (Phase 1 Grant Payment) + £100 sponsorship from Pennine Ways = £7,107.30

LESS: HAG-SMP £1,541.76, Grass Cutting (Aug/Sept) £270.00, Clerk's 6 mth Salary + expenses £392.85, HMRC £55.00, Scarecrow Competition/ Industrial & Produce Show expenses/Prizes £341.23 = £4,506.46.

2016/17 Audit Report: – no matters arising.

9. Transparency, Open-ness & Accountability:

Clerk applying for funding available for equipment, training for website etc. – nothing to report. Constitution reviewed, Standing Orders still being reviewed.

10. Tynedale Local Area Council:

Tuesday 12/9 at 6.00p.m. at Wentworth Leisure Centre, Hexham. Format for these meetings – every other meeting will deal with planning applications only, the alternative meeting will commence at 6.00p.m. or at the end of the planning items, whichever is the later.

11. Correspondence:

Dedication of St Jude's 50th Anniversary – Request for a Councillor to attend and select a couple of hymns - first choice All Things Bright and Beautiful, second choice We Plough The Fields and Scatter – both reflecting the beautiful area in which we live. James Grieves will be representing the Parish Council and Thomas Moore will also be attending.

NCC Tynedale Local Area Committee – 12/9 at 6.00p.m. Wentworth Leisure Centre, Hexham

NCC Joint Town & Parish Councils – 10/10 (Tynedale Area)

Cumbria CC – Eden Local Plan 2014-2032 additional background documents now available

AON will cease offering Parish Council insurance, NALC have agreed a partnership with BHIB

Jobs Fair notices 28/9

Campaign to protect Rural England NE Newsletter – Summer 2017-11-08

12. Any Other Business:

Eals Bridge: Cllr Hutchinson to contact NCC Highways for an update on why this work has not commenced and when will it now be done.

NOTE: *Update received 12/9/17 – Work was delayed as it's illegal under the Wildlife Act to disturb nesting birds, which meant couldn't undertake any works until 1 September. River South Tyne is a salmon river, work had to be completed by 30 September (not allowed in the water after then), this effectively stopped work this year.*

NCC have been checking the damaged section of riverbank on a regular basis and it's currently in a stable condition, this may change if we have any floods of the same magnitude that caused the original collapse. If this is the case then temporary measures will be put in place to stabilise the highway.

NC C have managed to get an Environmental Permit from the Environment Agency to allow the work in the river to take place from 1 May to 30 September next year.

13. Date of Next Meeting: Monday 13th November 2017 at 7.30p.m.

Meeting closed at 9.20p.m.