

DRAFT MINUTES OF KNARSDALE WITH KIRKHAUGH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD MONDAY 9TH JANUARY 2017 AT 7.30P.M.

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

Apologies: Cllr S Makepeace (Vice Chair).

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 14th November 2016 were agreed and signed.

3. Declaration of Interest: Cllr Moore – NCC Eals Bridge consultation letter.

4. Matters Arising:

Highway Issues: Cllr Hutchinson to contact NCC Highways re grit/salt heaps and continues to chase up other outstanding issues, i.e. drainage, potholes/patching, cutting back of trees etc.

Masonry Arch Refurbishment Programme – Eals Bridge: Cllr Moore left the room.

NCC anticipate the work will take 16 weeks and propose commencing in October 2017. Cllrs agreed the Clerk should contact NCC and request that the work on the road and the bridge be co-ordinated to be carried out at the same time to minimise disruption. Cllr Moore returned to the meeting.

Old School: Nothing further to report.

The Hearse House: No further news.

Enclosure Awards: Kirkhaugh documents - Cllr Hutchinson to re-send copy of documents he obtain to the Clerk. Clerk to supply Cllr Raine with Knarsdale documents on a disc.

Rents Paid to Church: Vicar to supply Cllr Mennie with a copy of paperwork.

South Tyne Railway: STR said they have all the permissions necessary, work continued.

Enforcement Office has been asked to to re-visit. Cllr Mennie has been unable to contact Heather Palmer. Work presently being carried out on village green (heaps of soil – and growing) illegal. Cllrs agreed to contact Open Spaces (if necessary pay subscription fee - J Riane proposed & seconded by J Grieves) and CAN to seek legal assistant. **NOTE:** *Mtg arranged with S Rickett/M Mennie/E Walton for 26/1/17 to discuss issues with South Tyne Railway Association and the Village Green.*

5. Parish Council's Projects:

Play Park/Village Green: Clerk meeting with 3 reps later this month to seek quotes for new play equipment (2 swings, climbing frame suitable for 5 – 12 year olds, a slide, the surface to be water porous), plus a cost for maintenance inspection (at least annually). Cllr Moore to meet with reps if available. Cllr Hutchinson to be contacted with approx. cost and will look into Section 106 funding opportunities.

Grass Cutting: Tenders being sought for grass cutting, including clearing grate.

Notice Board (Community Hall): Door re-fit.

6. Planning Applications:

NCC Knarsdale War Memorial the building has been added to the List of Buildings of Special Architectural or Historic Interest. Under Section 2(3) of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990, the local planning authority is required to serve formal notice on the owner and occupier of the buildings affected.

16/04004/FUL Erection of pre-fab kennels, Side House, Slaggyford CA8 7PE - **NCC Granted permission.**

16/02796/FUL Excavation and construction of pond – Site of proposed pond, Slaggyford, Brampton CA8 7PD - **NCC Granted permission.**

7. Financial:

Monies: £296.49 + £5201.25 = £5,497.74. LESS: Great North Air Ambulance £40.00+£10.00 in memory on James Raine (proposed by T Moore, seconded by M Mennie and agreed by all Cllrs) = £5,447.749.

8. Transparency, Open-ness & Accountability:

M Mennie proposed, seconded by J Raine and agreed by the Council that Parish Council's website be part of the NALC portal and the Clerk to access the funding available for equipment, training etc.

Standing Orders: these to be reviewed by the Parish Council.

9. West Area Committee:

Corbridge Church of England First School at 6.00p.m. on 10/1.

10. Correspondence:

Bottle Bank – e-mail received – Cllrs agreed the large box is not abuse of the wheele bin/bottle bank but fly tipping and in these cases should be reported to NCC, on the whole most people are responsible it tends to be holiday makers that don't have or know of the local waste disposal/recycling facilities. One Cllr actual stopped someone from doing just this.

NCC West Area Committee – 10/1, Corbridge Church of England First School at 6.00p.m.

NCC 2017 Election re-charges

NCC Winter Services leaflets

Healthwatch Northumberland – Draft Sustainability & Transformation Plan public engagement –

Hexham Community Centre, 2-4p.m. 10/1.

Northumberland CVA requesting a donation –no donation given

NCC Archaeology in Northumberland volume 22 booklet

11. Any Other Business:

Cutting back trees/bushes – Lintley.

Parishioners have commented on the lack of Christmas lights on the village green – this was due to work being carried out

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

Meeting closed at 9.20p.m.