

# DRAFT MINUTES OF KNARSDALE WITH KIRKHAUGH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD MONDAY 9TH NOVEMBER 2015 AT 7.30p.m. IN KNARESDALE COMMUNITY HALL

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

**Apologies:** Cllrs J Grieves & S Makepeace (Vice Chair).

**1. Minutes of meeting** held 14th September 2015 were agreed and signed.

**2. Declaration of Interest:** Cllr Watson Planning Application 15/03341/FUL O2 Communications Mast

### **3. Matters Arising:**

Highway Issues: The Knarr road, at the fork, is still in need of attention – under the road is eroding. Ditches/drains/culvet especially near the Waterhole in need of attention (South Tyne Trail – NCC currently working on the bridge), large pool on road (Side House). Cutting back of trees – work not carried out and the problems are getting worse – needs to be cutting well back (self seeding). No information received on the outcome of the discussions between Cumberland and Northumberland County Councils working together on the wintery road conditions.

Old School: No further information available.

The Hearse House: Cllr Mennie to arrange to register this plot of land with Land Register.

Enclosure Awards: Re Kirkhaugh documents – Cllr Raine will see if he can obtain a copy from Woodhorn.

South Tyne Trail: Cllr Hutchinson to contact NCC Rights of Way re what action they are proposing to re-instating the 'barrier' at Burnstones to stop access for vehicle traffic along the path.

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

Notice Boards: Maintenance work on the notice boards has been carried out.

### **5. Planning Applications:**

14/03306/FUL: Provision of a car park to serve Slaggyford Station, changed from an agricultural field, with associated road improvements. No further update available. Clerk to contact Planning for an update.

15/02275/LBC: Listed Building consent: Proposed alterations to approved plans to introduce 2 rooflights, 2 small first floor windows and stone staircase to first floor entrance - Blackcleugh Cottage, Alston – **Withdrawn at the Applicants request.**

15/02841/FUL: Single storey rear extension to games room, replacement of existing outbuildings to create indoor swimming pool, single storey rear linking extension between the main house and the swimming pool & demolition of a redundant coal store - Old Rectory, Kirkhaugh. Alston, Northumberland – **NCC Granted Permission.**

15/03341/FUL: Cllr Watson declared an interest - Cllrs Mennie, Moore, Raine & Reed commented on the application. Removal of 4 no. antennas, replacement of 4 no. antennas, 2no. 0.6 transmission dishes, 2 no. RRU's. 1 no. FTTA box, 3 no. replacement cabinets and ancillary development. O2 Communications Mast Slaggyford, Brampton – **no objections.**

15/03308/COU: Change of use from agricultural to car parking and recreational to service the historic site and visitor attraction – Land South of Castle Nook Farm, Kirkhaugh, Northumberland – **no objections.**

### **6. Financial:**

Monies: £296.24 + £3868.18 (including 2nd Precept payment) = £4,164.42 LESS: Cup Engraving (2 yrs) £18.50, Notice Boards Maintenance £95.00, British Legion Poppy Appeal £35.00 = £4,015.97

**NCC 2016/17 Precept:** After discussion and reviewing the budget it was proposed by Cllr Moore, seconded by Cllr Watson and agreed by the Council to increase precept by 2% (£80), making it £4,177. The necessary paperwork was signed.

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

Clerk still seeking information and clarification on what action is required of a small parish council.

## **8. West Area Committee:**

Meeting in Tynedale Cricket Club, Hexham at 6.00p.m. on Tuesday 10th November.

## **9. Correspondence:**

NNC Planning Protocols go live 5/10/15

NCC Hackney Carriage & Private Hire Licensing Policy consultation

NCC West Area Committee – 10/11 Tynedale Cricket Club, Hexham at 6.00p.m.

NCC Proposed changes to Fire Service – closure of Haydon Bridge Station

NCC Rural Parish Meetings – 7.00p.m. 16/11 Bardon Mill Hall

NCC North East Combined Authority (NECA) Devolution Agreement

Eden District Council Local Plan 2014-2032 Submission Document

Community Action Northumberland 2014/15 Annual Report

Community Action Northumberland News October 2015

DAWN information

Tynedale Hospice at Home requesting a donation

Campaign to Protect Rural England Newsletter Autumn 2015

## **10. Any Other Business:**

Financial Grant for Churches to help with grass cutting cost: There was a discussion as to where the money collected from rents in the parish go to. At one time they were paid to the Parish Council and forwarded to the Churches to help with maintenance costs, now it would appear these funds are not ring fenced for the local churches but paid to a central fund. Cllr Mennie to look back over the minutes and this will be discussed further at the January meeting.

**11. Date of Next Meeting:** Monday 11th January 2016 at 7.30p.m.

Meeting closed at 9.15p.m.