

# DRAFT MINUTES OF KNARSDALE WITH KIRKHAUGH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD MONDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER 2018 AT 7.00P.M.

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

**Apologies:** Cllr J Grieves.

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

**2. Mr Neil Dawson (NCC Rights of Way Officer):** Confirmed that Northumberland County Council's land along the track of the former South Tynedale Railway line between Slaggyford Station and Featherstone Station is in the final stages of the process of being sold (not leased) to STRPS. The terms of the sale include a covenant which sets out the requirement to provide a path along the side of the rail line so that walkers and cyclists can continue to follow the South Tyne Trail. Slaggyford Station and the rail line south to the Cumbrian boundary have previously been leased to STR but this parcel of land is also in the latter stages of being sold to them (in tandem with the stretch to the north of Slaggyford), again with a covenant securing the path alongside the rail line. STR will be responsible for fences and bridges.

NCC Rights of Way are responsible for stiles from thoroughfares, farmers/landowners are responsible for stiles on their land.

The stile on the footpath to the west of the station at Slaggyford - work to be undertaken during the autumn. Works request for the installation of new signposts at Slaggyford to better direct people following the South Tyne Trail and Pennine Way, also a signpost by the stone stile on the access road to Low Thornhope.

**3. Minutes (including any ratification of decisions taken) of meeting** held 9th July 2018 were agreed and signed.

**4. Declaration of Interest:** Cllr Hutchinson (Planning)

## **5. Matters Arising:**

Highway Issues: Glendue – subsidence, Hanging Shaw – erosion of road/potholes, Slate House – drain, trees encroaching on roads (good time to do the work whilst road is closed). All roads in a terrible state throughout the parish.

Speed Survey: has been carried out at Williamstone Farm, this was the wrong location, Cllr Hutchinson to request the survey be carried out again at the location specified.

Old School: No further update.

The Hearse House: No further update.

South Tyne Railway: No update from NCC Enforcement Officer. STR contacted Ombudsman re NCC delaying planning agreement re level crossing.

South Tyne Trail – See Item 2 above.

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

Play Park: Phase 2 – Commissioning report highlighted a number of defects with the newly installed equipment. No payment will be made until all queries/concerns rectified.

Once signed over to the Parish Council will instigate the statutory safety inspection as required.

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

Scarecrow Competition/ Industrial & Produce Show: Held on Saturday 8th September in the Community Hall was well supported, the Dog Show was success, unfortunately only 2 scarecrows. The James Raine Cup was awarded to Carol Grieves – best garden photo within the parish entry. Interest and suggestions received for next year – same date, second Saturday in September (14th) Cllrs thanked the Clerk, Ellen, for all her hard work in organising the event.

## **7. Planning Applications:**

Planning Application 18/01417/VARYCO: Variation on condition 2 (Approved Plans) pursuant to planning permission 15/03308/COU to allow the laying of a gravel surface on top of the gridforce – Land South of Castle Nook Farm, Kirkhaugh, Northumberland- **NCC Granted permission.**

Planning Application 18/02383/FUL: Demolition of east conservatory extension and west porch. Construction of ground floor extension to the east elevation, installation of an extra window to the west elevation and internal alterations. – Croft House U7018 Slaggyford Junction to The Knar Slaggyford CA8 7NH - NCC Granted permission.

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Planning Application 18/02270/FUL: Proposed demolition of existing garage and construction of new garage and single storey rear extension - Cherry Tree Barn, U7076 Slaggyford Main Road to Greenhead Road, Slaggyford CA8 7NH - **NCC Granted permission**

Two planning applications were presented at the Parish Council Meeting. Cllrs Moore, Reed & Hutchinson declared an interest and left the room. Cllrs Mennie, Armstrong, Raine, Watson commented:

18/03029/LBC Proposed installation of wood-burning stove and erection of stone chimney. Proposed installation of insulation to roof and fitting of timber boarding to underside of rafters – Knarsdale Barton C324 Knarsdale to Eals Bank, Slaggyford CA8 7PA – Knarsdale With Kirkhaugh Parish Councillors have no objections to the application.

18/03036/LBC Formation of Bocce Ball court and associated landscaping including extension to stone terrace and formation of stone garden walls. Fitting of timber entrance gated between existing gate piers. – Knarsdale Hall A689 Slaggyford to Haltwon Lea Gate Slaggyford CA8 7PD – Knarsdale With Kirkhaugh Parish Councillors have no objections to the application.

## **8. Financial:**

Monies: £296.75 + £7,920.51 (includes £1,266 ring fenced Transparency Grant + 2nd Precept Payment £2,237 & £35 donation for 2019 Show = £10,192.51.

LESS: Grass Cutting (July £110 & Aug £135) £245.00, Clerks Salary & Expenses (Including PAYE) £401.65, £190.32 Show = £9,355.54 (£1,266 ring fenced Transparency Grant).

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

Nothing to report, policies, procedures etc – will continue to be reviewed and amended as necessary.

## **10. Tynedale Local Area Council:**

Nothing to report, next meeting Tuesday 11 September 2018 at 6.00p.m. in Hexham House.

## **11. Correspondence:**

NCCTynedale Local Area Council – Hexham House, Hexham 11/9 at 6.00p.m.

NCC Dispose of hazardous household waste leaflets

NALC – AGM 29/9/18

Campaign To Protect Rural England – North East Newsletter – summer 2018

## **12. Any Other Business:**

Poppy Wreaths: Clerk to organise 2 wreaths, Cllr Mennie to lay one at Knarsdale Church and Cllr Raine to lay the other at Kirkhaugh Church.

## **14. Date of Next Meeting:** Monday 12th November 2018 at 7.30p.m.

Meeting closed at 8.50p.m.