

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF KYLOE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY
2 MAY 2023 IN LOWICK VILLAGE HALL AT 8PM**

PRESENT:

Chairman: Mr Stephen Biglands

Vice-Chair: Mrs Sue Begbie

Parish Councillors: Mr Colin Wakeling, Mrs Margaret Murray & Mr R Birch

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs S Henderson, Clerk to Parish

MEMBERS OF PUBLIC: None

Chairman Stephen Biglands welcomed everyone to the meeting

Apologies: Mr Derek Eltringham & C. Cllr. Colin Hardy

Mr Biglands introduced Mr Kevin Maloney who explained that he has taken on the responsibility for the management of the Capt. CD Leyland Fund from Mr Ross Wilson following new fund arrangements at The Community Foundation.

Mr Maloney explained that there was £11,150 available in the fund. Mr Colin Wakeling asked for clarification of funding amounts. Mr Maloney stated a minimum of £500 up to maximum of £10,000.

There had been two applications for funding received.

Food Banks –The Parish Council initially contacted Berwick and Wooler Food Banks through Cllr. Wakeling suggesting they apply to our Capt.CD Leyland Fund for a grant. The BDCT (Berwick upon Tweed Community Development Trust) and GGT (Glendale Gateway Trust) work closely together on their respective foodbanks to support their local communities. They initially replied and explained they would apply for £500 jointly. The Parish Council encouraged them to apply for £2000 between them. However as the Community Foundation grant making policy doesn't allow funding to be made to BCDT, some of which would then be passed on to the GGT. The CF recommended a grant of £1000 be made to BCDT and that GGT should apply separately. However as this will take time and resource, the Parish Council could recommend a donor nominated grant of £1000 to GGT. Therefore it was proposed by Colin Wakeling seconded by Roger Birch and agreed that GGT should receive a grant of £1000.

Friends of Berwick & District Museum and Archives – have applied for £3,078 towards an oral history project involving the residents of Kyløe Parish which will help preserve the history and heritage of Kyløe Parish. Proposed by Stephen Biglands seconded by Sue Begbie and agreed.

The Clerk had received an email from Anne Mair-Chapman, LEAF Open Farm Sunday Ambassador | North East looking for funding for 2 compostable toilet units for farm school visits and the LEAF annual farm open day, at Kypie Farm on Ford and Etal Estate. She enquired whether this was something we could help with. Kevin asked that the email be forwarded to him and he will speak with his colleague who looks after the Barmoor Wind Farm Fund.

Mr Kevin Maloney was thanked for his attendance.

Further meeting dates will be forwarded to him once confirmed.

The minutes of the last meeting were proposed as a true record by Margaret Murray, seconded by Sue Begbie and signed by the Chairman.

MATTERS ARISING

CD Leyland Community Fund – Monitoring report completed for our initiative grant

Berrington Footpaths update – nothing new to report, Colin has purchased some marker paint with which to mark safe routes through the wood in the absence of direction posts

Footpath no. 9 in the Parish of Kyloe – The footpath crossing the railway at Fenham Hill has re-opened and has some shiny new gates instead of the styles. Walkers are still required to use the phone at the crossing to make sure it is safe to cross. If walkers/ramblers fail to do this then the crossing may be closed again. This will be an item for the next newsletter.

Electric Vehicle Charging Points (EVCP's) – Disappointing news regarding the area suggested however Derek is going to meet Keith Hopper in the village to discuss the location or find an alternative.

Defibrillator Training – Stephen had phoned the Ambulance Service but they only do CPR & AED training now in groups of 12 costing £369. Roger offered to contact Northern Training at Cramlington. & Ian at Guru Coffee shop. Colin Hardy may be able to help.

Drinking Water Fountain – this was not pursued as it may not be as useful as first thought. Finding a suitable location could be difficult, water rates could be incurred and could have hygiene implications.

Facebook page for Kyloe Parish - Sue has set up the facebook page naming it Kyloe Community News. It is private and only members can post anything. Any member can 'invite' friends to join. (must live in parish) The cover photo depicts the complete area of the Parish. Discussion on content took place and it was thought planning applications and dates of Parish Council Meetings could be included. There had already been some good postings put on.

Coronation Celebrations – Application for funding from NCC was successful and we have received £480.34

Applications:

Julie Bracewell from Buckton – arranging a get together for the neighbours who reside at Buckton. It would amount to 16 adults and hoped for £100 towards bunting, food & drink.

Tina Bevan for the Fenwick Group had initially asked for £100 towards BBQ charcoal, decorations and prizes, then added on perhaps needing to hire / buy a loud speaker.

Both applications was discussed via email with councillors and agreed. Confirmation of acceptance were forwarded to Julie & Tina with the following 'boxes to tick'

There will need to be a risk assessment done for your event, especially when barbecues will be used.

Minimum of three photos at your event would be appreciated for Northumberland County Council's archive service as a lasting record of the Celebrations within the County.

According to NCC's rules, no alcohol or prizes can be paid for from the grant.

The Parish Council will repay monies spent by cheque on invoices made out to Kyloe Parish Council. Receipts will be required.

Fenwick Celebrations - will now consist of BBQ's being provided for anyone bringing their own food to cook. Guru Coffee Shop will be open for food & alcohol. Advised to bring a chair or picnic blanket. Competition is making a crown. Friends & relatives of residents are invited. It was hoped that residents would decorate their gardens for the occasion.

Green Spaces – Colin suggested Berrington Dean which is in private ownership, with woods going into two neighbouring parishes and footpaths running through both.

CORRESPONDENCE

POT HOLES on U34 at Fenwick. In March, reported to NCC via their reporting system by Wendy Cresswell, resident of Fenwick, plus a further email to County Councillor Colin Hardy & copied to Parish Council Clerk. They have now been filled in.

POT HOLES on road from A1 to the coast line at Fenham le Moor reported to NCC via their reporting system by David Brown. Also contacted Parish Council Clerk who was able to mention it to Colin Wakeling who had just delivered the latest newsletter where there was an item in regarding pot holes. He offered to follow up the complaint immediately. They have now been filled in.

NORTHUMBERLAND RIVERS TRUST – has received funding to actively treat invasive plants along our streams and rivers this summer and autumn. They are particularly keen to tackle Giant Hogweed, Japanese Knotweed, Skunk cabbage and Himalayan Balsam. Requesting help in locating any of these growing in our Parish, and asking for information with species, location details and rough extent to be sent to pkerr3@sky.com

This can be an item for the next newsletter / facebook page. Colin Wakeling has forwarded the email to Frank Dakin & Rupert Wailes-Fairbairn who believes he has some.

BELFORD NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Belford Parish Council has prepared a Neighbourhood Development Plan for the Civil Parish of Belford. The County Council is satisfied that the submitted Plan complies with legal requirements and can therefore proceed to an Independent Examination.

In accordance with the Regulations, the County Council is required to publicise the Plan and supporting documents and notify any consultation body consulted by the Parish Council on the Draft Plan

FENWICK'S RADAR ACTIVATED SPEED SIGN

Philip Hanson downloads, analyses and distributes the data that is collected from Lowick's two radar activated speed signs on a monthly basis. He has now offered to do the same for Fenwick.

LEAFLETS

Clerks & Councils Direct 2023 March Issue 146

Glasdon – seating & litter bins

PLANNING

Planning Ref: 22/03635/FUL – GRANTED

Demolition of garden room and replacement with window seat, erection of two storey side and rear extension to west and north elevation including new pitched roof and recessed entrance from the south elevation.

The Stables, Fenham, Berwick upon Tweed TD15 2PL

Susan Flynn

Proposed upgrade to the existing telecommunications installation. – don't know

Existing 3No. Antennae to be removed and replaced with 3No. proposed Antennas fixed to Tower Headframe.

Proposed GPS Module fixed to Tower Headframe.

Existing 3No. RRUs to be removed and replaced with 6No. proposed RRUs on existing leg mounted poles.

Existing RBS602 Equipment Cabinet to be refreshed internally and associated ancillary works.

Fenham Hill Farm, Land at Fenham Hill Farm, Beal, Berwick Upon Tweed, Northumberland TD15 2PL NGR: E: 407030, N: 641245

Parish Council Comments:

As this is an upgrade to the existing mast, The Parish Council see no reason to object .

Planning Ref: 22/03932/FUL Ongoing

Erection of a single storey building which includes a laboratory, ancillary accommodation and associated works.

Natural England

Former Beal Station, Berwick upon Tweed Northumberland TD15 2PB

Parish Council Comments:

Our main concern with this proposal is its potential impact on any future plans for a Beal local (rail) station. If we wish to reduce the impact of road traffic on the environment then rail access to the landward side of the causeway as part of a regular stopping train service on the East Coast Mainline, could assist in reducing car traffic to Holy Island; the AONB from time to time talk about a park & ride facility somewhere (unspecified) on the mainland, but as both sides of the old station have already been redeveloped, this an existing issue.

What is being proposed has been well considered and should have little impact on the neighbouring properties. The planning statement document is very detailed and addresses any concerns we might have had about visitor numbers to the site. The building will be used for educational and research purposes which will be a positive addition to the area.

Therefore we have no reason to refuse permission though we would wish our concerns to be taken into consideration through conditioning.

Planning Ref: 22/04088/FUL **GRANTED**

Construction of a general purpose agricultural building
Kentstone Farm, Kyoeloe, Northumberland
Mr Richard Murray

Planning Ref: 22/04296/LBC **GRANTED**

Listed Building Consent to demolish remaining elements of damaged agricultural building
and construction of a newer building in keeping with the surrounding context
Land east of Beal Farm, Beal, Berwick on Tweed TD15 2PB
Mr Rod Smith

Planning Ref: 22/04575/FUL **GRANTED**

Conversion and extension of existing outbuilding into annexe ancillary to existing residential
dwelling and creation of new vehicular access to public highway.
The Villa, The Village, Fenwick Northumberland TD15 2PJ
Dr Peter Wynarczyk

Planning Ref: 22/04276/FUL **Ongoing**

Siting of 2 No. glamping pods
Fenwick Granary Farmhouse, Belford, Northumberland
Mrs Corrina Scott-Roy

Parish Council Comments:

The Parish Council have no objections to the pods themselves, there are only two being
proposed and the target market is walkers, which should not have too much of an impact on
the number of vehicles using the unclassified road and the junction however the road crossing
from the B6353 to the unclassified road requires caution for walkers.

There are concerns that there may be discharge into the Fenwick Burn which itself drains into
the Bay, therefore drainage should be clarified before planning is granted.

Planning Ref: 23/01050/ADE

Advertisement consent for 1no Welcome free standing pole sign to Lindisfarne National
Nature Reserve and an integral part of the management of the site. The sign is made from
galvanised steel, has several laser cut reliefs, it is 200cm wide and will be no more than
200cm tall once the legs are inset into the ground.

Salt Marsh Land East Of Causeway Car Park Holy Island, Northumberland
Mr Andrew Denton

Parish Council Comments:

The Parish Council have no objections

Planning Ref: 23/01020/FUL

Application for approval of as built fencing forming private garden, parking, 20mm gravel
surfacing and bunded oil tank.

Fenwick Village Hall, The Village, Fenwick, Northumberland TD15 2PJ
Mr John Potter

Parish Council Comments:

The Parish Council have no objections

Planning Ref: 22/04725/FUL

Change of use, alteration and conversion of redundant agricultural buildings to form 2no. dwellings and farm office and replacement of conservatory with extension to existing farmhouse.

Fenwick Stead Farmhouse, Belford, Northumberland, Northumberland NE70 7P

The Mailing-Dunn Family

Parish Council Comments

The Parish Council have no objections & strongly support the application which seeks to maintain the integrity of the building group while re-purposing redundant farm buildings which could otherwise fall into disrepair while ensuring appropriate mitigations (bats / owls / etc) are in place. The proposed development does not appear to be over the top with the housing units relatively small and in proportion to the overall size of the site. We do not consider the units themselves would add significantly to existing traffic flows in the area, and building work is unlikely to be more significant than existing traffic to / from the farm.

Upgrade of Public Access System – forwarded to all for their information

FINANCE

Premium Account as at 2 May 2023 **£901.25**
(includes interest 06/03/23)

Community Account as at 2 May 2023	974.42
1 st half of precept	550.00
Coronation Community Fund	<u>480.34</u>
	2004.76

Items agreed for payment

Hire of Hall – May meeting	12.00		
NALC subscription	<u>174.74</u>	<u>186.74</u>	£1818.02

KPC/ Community Foundation Initiative

(held within Community A/c) £717.55

Hospice Care North Northumberland requesting a donation. After discussion it was decided that instead of giving a smallish donation using the precept we would give a donor nominated grant of £500 from the Capt. C D Leyland Fund. The Clerk will forward the HospiceCare letter to Kevin.

We will look to do the same as other requests come forward. For example Great North Air Ambulance, Bell View, with possible extras like Cancer Cars

RECLAIMING VAT – Initially tried for 2017 – 2019, but too far back .

Have re-applied for 2022-2023 making it year ending 31 March .

NEWSLETTER – Lots of items to go in

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Books by the Sea – Roger Birch has highlighted an idea raised by Ian & Clare who run the Guru Coffee Shop in Fenwick.

Guy Douglas, a farmer from Embleton, started this idea pre-covid, and the initiative is fully supported by the NCC officer for the Arts.

A specially built box and a stamp for the books will be required at a cost of approx. £350 for the box & £30 for the stamp.

NCC Highways work with Guy to find suitable locations for the boxes, Steve has kindly offered to allow the box on land which is part of the garden next to the Guru coffee shop. Final approval would perhaps be needed by Highways. There has been no thefts or damage reported to any of the other 15/16 boxes in the area.

The boxes will hold 40-50 books, most of which are 1-2 years old and free from book publishers, but local people can donate books that have been checked by a ‘village librarian’, and duly stamped with ‘Books by the Sea’. Guy suggested local volunteers keep an eye on the box.

The target users will be residents and tourists as books can be borrowed from one location and returned in another Books by the Sea location.

Claire in the Guru coffee shop has offered to pay for the box, but it was raised at the meeting that because Books by the Sea is part of a charitable status organisation the costs could be covered by the Capt. C D Leyland Fund.

Roger will contact Guy again and update him on the positive response he received from the Councillors and will get details of the charity number.

PARKING

Is becoming an issue, we need to provide more if possible.

Suggested locations were:

Grassed over lay-by

Wide verges on U34

Outside of bungalows

Where telephone box was

By Manor House – already promised

The Clerk will contact Richard to see if another on site meeting could be arranged.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.45pm

Further meeting dates: July 11th Sept 5th Dec 5th
 Feb 20th 2024 May 14th 2024