

**Whittingham Callaly & Alnham Parish Council**  
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**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**MINUTES**

Minutes of the meeting of the Whittingham, Callaly & Alnham Parish Council held on Tuesday 20 September, at 7.00pm at Whittingham Memorial Hall.

**Present,** B Wood (BW) Chair, K Armstrong (KA), Prof. J Clark (JC), A Whincup (AW), S Gray, (SG), E Gardner (EG)  
**In attendance:**

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>DISCUSSION</b>
<b>110/22 Apologies for Absence &amp; Declarations of Interest</b>	K Turvey (KT), A Young (AY), R Bateson (RB), C Durie (CD), J Renner (JR), N Riordan (NR)  There were no declarations of interest.
<b>111/22 Public Participation</b>	No questions received.
<b>112/22 Minutes of the Previous Meeting</b>	The Minutes of the meeting on 19 July 2022 were APPROVED as a true record.
<b>113/22 Matters Arising</b>	Risk Assessment following tree survey and new path - AY unable to attend however he did pass on quotes from Lee Charlton which were discussed at the meeting and are as follows: Trees - Quote is £750 plus Vat Path - Quote is £1750 plus Vat  In view of budget constraints the PC are unable to accept until current activities are agreed and prioritised. Further discussions will take place in October ahead of our Budget Meeting and 2023 - 2024 Precept request in November.

**114/22  
Neighbourhood Plan**

An update was given by JC on the Neighbourhood Plan who has confirmed that following holiday delays a meeting is now in diary on Monday 26 September 2022 with Sarah Brannigan to discuss the next stages. Up-date at next meeting.

JC also advised that we have been offered assistance from Neil Blackshaw who has recently moved to into Whittingham.

Neil has a planning background in Town Planning and has already been involved in producing Neighbourhood Plans so is a very welcome and valued addition to the Steering Group.

The PC wish to say thank you and welcome to the Village

JC also raised the question of collecting E Mail addresses from around the Parish so we would be able to circulate information that may be of interest. Whilst this would be helpful as part of the Neighbourhood Plan process it would also allow us to use to circulate useful or emergency information as and when required.

The implications of GDPR and how we ask for this information will be reviewed before we go down this route.

**115/22 Highways  
Matters**

Vehicle Activated Speed Sign - Following the agreement of Councillor Steven Bridgett to fund a speed sign out of his 22/23 Budget NCC have now come back with his requested quotes.

The overall fully commissioned price is £6052.

The PC have agreed that this sign should be placed on the main road into the village from the A697 which comes down and past Whittingham Lane.

BW and KA are too forward to Councillor Bridgett for agreement to proceed.

**116/22 Planning  
Applications**

**22/02059/FUL** - Land South West of Mill Covert, The Lane, Whittingham - **PC Object, in particular due to concerns re caravan access from A697**

**22/02604/VARYCO** - Land West of Treetops, Callaly Road, Whittingham - **PC Neutral with comments**

**22/1986/VARYCO** - Plot 1, Land North of Turnpike Cottage, Whittingham - **NCC Granted**

**To consider applications received since the agenda was prepared**

**22/02523/FUL** - Old Court House, Whittingham - **PC Supported**

**21/04818/FUL** - Castle Farm, Whittingham - **NCC Granted**

**21/04811/LBC** - Castle Farm, Whittingham - **NCC Granted**

**22/01818/FUL** - The Percherons, Whittingham - **NCC Granted**

**22./01599/FUL** - Land North of Pennylaws Farm, **Alnham** - **Client Withdrawn**

**22/03050/LBC** - Aln View, Whittingham - **PC Supported**

**22/03049/FUL** - Aln View, Whittingham - **PC Supported**

**22NP0069** - Alnham Moor, Powburn, Northumberland - **PC Supported**

**117/22 Finance**

- i). The monthly finance report for September was received.
- ii). NCC have paid 2nd Precept Payment of £2217.50.
- iii) Data Protection Annual Fee £40 & Public Liability & Employers Liability Parish Council Insurance of £258.16 - Payments Approved by PC
- iv) Clerk's salary and expenses not required in September as per 57/22

- 118/22 Adoption of Phone Box** CD will pick up with the Village Handyman, Chris Breeze as this will need to be re-furbished and painted. Feedback and discussion around usage will be picked up at our next meeting in October.
- 119/22 NALC AGM** AGM to be held on 8 October, 10.15am @ Felton Village Hall - FYI NO Agenda items were put forward by the PC.
- 120/22 Notice Board for Callaly** No update - Councillors RB & JR were unable to attend the meeting.  
Please let me have any updates for Agenda once available.  
As per items 113 & 117 above this will be picked up as part of our budget prioritisation
- 121/22 Free Tree Giveaway** Stakeholder Toolkit E Mail circulated to all Councillors.  
Following on from last year the Climate Change Team at the Council have relaunched the Free Tree Giveaway.  
Added to the WCA Parish Council Website  
Also added to Vale News and Village Facebook pages.
- 122/22 Northern Powergrid** Information received regarding early application for Energy Resilience Grant Funding. Vale News and Facebook offered for awareness.
- 121/22 Correspondence** NCC advised that under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, there is a Review of the Definitive Map and Statement of Public Rights of Way. Informal pre-order consultation. Local landowners have been advised.  
Bridleway No 2  
Restricted Byway No 29  
Warming Homes Resource Booklet received from NCC and circulated to all Councillors. This has been added to the WCA Parish Council Website and also offered to the Vale News and Village Facebook pages.
- 108/22 Any General Matters** None
- 109/22 Time and Date of Next Meeting** Tuesday 18 October 2022 at 7.00pm. Whittingham Memorial Hall.

**Tuesday 15 November is final meeting of 2022**

**NO MEETING IN DECEMBER 2022**

Signed as a True Record of the Meeting Chair \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_