

GREENHEAD PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting on 7th July 2023

Draft Minutes

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Glen Whelt bank signage. At the moment, the signage allows cars to overtake coming into the village downhill. Residents and members agree that there should be either no overtaking on this section or overtaking allowed going up the hill out of the town to allow cars to pass slow moving vehicles. Members would like yellow lines painting on both junctions at the crossroads (i.e .to station Road and the school road) in the village. Cars park on the corners causes problems for drivers turning out of the side streets. 		
	PROPOSED Cllr L Whittington	SECONDED Cllr E Switzer	AGREED
59/23	Annual Parish Meeting The following actions from the meeting were considered. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The notice board at Bank Foot is in need of some repair. Cllr S Mason did include the agenda for this meeting and will continue to do so for future meetings. Appropriate repairs were agreed. War Memorial – A quote has been received of ££300 for a structural survey. Members agreed to proceed. Members agreed to purchase a plaque for Eddie Rimmer. Members agreed to obtain pricing for a finger point sign, made from wood and possibly oak. Once a quote has been received, Cllr Sharp will ask Highways if it can be installed and may help with the costs if the need arises. Traffic issues were discussed. The suggestion of yellow lines along the road above the café were not approved as cars parked there do slow the traffic down and many visitors park there it come to the café. It was agreed that Northumberland County Council should be asked if yellow lines could be placed at the entrance to station road on the corner as cars park too near the junction and therefore obstruct the view. Cllr Sharp will ask NCC to attend a meeting to discuss this issue and the issue of the lineage up Glen Whelt bank. The above proposals were approved.		
	PROPOSED Cllr M Wood	SECONDED Cllr E Switzer	AGREED
59/23	Planning Applications <u>To Determine</u> Blenkinsopp Estate Forest Plan The following was submitted: <i>'Land to South and west of Park Road. Described as ancient semi natural Woodland. In this area, apart from eliminating none native species, there should be little if any intervention. This type of woodland is rare and should be preserved allowing the natural cycle of woodland to evolve over time. This would include allowing dead trees to fall and rot on site leaving open areas for regeneration. Thought should be given to selectively using native breeds (cattle, pigs and horses) to control underlying vegetation and to disturb the soil allowing new growth. This woodland could in time become temperate rain forest. Public access should be encouraged if public money is used to maintain and develop this area of woodland.</i> <i>When clearing commercial conifers, replacement should over time, try and create a natural woodland with mixed age and species.</i> <i>The council would support the removal of rhododendron and the control of deer numbers given they have no apex predator present locally. '</i>		
	PROPOSED Cllr B Mason	SECONDED Cllr M Wood	AGREED
	<u>Determined</u> 22NP0056 – Land East of Walltown Lodge -2 self-build residence houses – REFUSED 2/00717 St Cuthberts Church – external ramp – GRANTED		
60/23	Grant Requests Citizen's Advice – it was agreed to donate £50.		
	PROPOSED Cllr E Switzer	SECONDED Cllr S Mason	AGREED
	A letter has also been received from Age Northumberland and it was agreed to donate £50 too.		
	PROPOSED Cllr B Mason	SECONDED Cllr L Whittington	AGREED
61/23	Reports on Financial Matters: 61/23.01 Inc & Exp as at 30 th June 2023 61/23.02 Bank reconciliation & Accounts for payment at 17 th July 2023		

Signed:

Date:

Page 2 of 3

GREENHEAD PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting on 7th July 2023

Draft Minutes

61/23.02		Appendix 3	
Bank Reconciliation			
For Current Account			
Bank Balance as at	30 June 2023		5917.91
Plus	o/s Lodgements		
	o/s Payments		
Less			0.00
			<u>5917.91</u>
Bal b/f 1st April 2023	3403.34		
Receipts in the year	4647.33		
Payments in the year	2132.76		
Balance at	30 June 2023		5917.91
Payments to approve	as at 17 July 2023		
Rospa	SMS Paid	140.40	<i>Annual Inspection & Meet</i>
Galbraith	SMS Paid	1.00	<i>Village Hall Annual Rent</i>
			<i>Village Hall</i>
			<i>Rental Hire 22-</i>
			<i>23,23-24 £15</i>
			<i>per meeting, 6</i>
			<i>meetings</i>
Greenhead Village Hall		180.00	
WMH Butcher	SMS Paid	20.00	<i>Internal auditor gift share with other councils</i>
Amazon	SMS Paid	19.55	<i>Toner ink share with B Mill and Plenmeller council.</i>
HSBC		10.00	<i>Aug plus cqs</i>
Citizens Advice	Grant	50.00	
Age Northumberland	Grant	50.00	
Parish Online	Subs	48.00	
Total unpaid invoices		518.95	
Income received			
			0.00
Total Payments for Approval		518.95	

With the additional amounts of £50 and £48 the payments of £518.95 were approved.

PROPOSED Cllr M Wood

SECONDED Cllr E Switzer

AGREED

62/23 Haltwhistle & District Joint Burial Committee – Deferred.

63/23 Reports:

Cllr B Mason proposed that the following reports are not required each month and, if members have any particular issues to raise, they should ask the clerk to include as a separate agenda item.

63/23.01 H&DJBC - nothing to report

63/23.02 Village Hall – Cllr Wood reported that the AGM had to be closed early and a reconvened meeting is to be held on 24th July. Notices have been put up around the village to encourage residents to turn up. Cllr Wood is confident there will be enough volunteers for the committee to be formed.

63/23.03 Millennium Green – nothing to report

63/23.04 Play Area - report as above.

63/23.05 Footpaths – It was reported that the road from Greenhead to Thirlwall is part of The Pennine Way and so walkers have to walk along the road. Members agreed that there should be signage warning motorists of walkers. The clerk was asked to write to NCC and request appropriate signage. Cllr Sharp backed this and reported that Thirlwall Parish have also asked for this.

PROPOSED Cllr B Mason

SECONDED Cllr M Wood

AGREED

The clerk was also asked to report footpath 517/034 as it is blocked.

63/23.06 Greenhead School – nothing to report

64/23 Dates and times of next meetings

Council Meeting, Monday 18th September 2023 from 7.00pm in the Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.40pm