

DRAFT MINUTES OF KNARSDALE WITH KIRKHAUGH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD MONDAY 9TH JANUARY 2023 AT 7.30p.m. IN KNARESDALE COMMUNITY HALL

Present: Cllrs M Mennie (Chair), JJ Raine (Vice Chair), A Armstrong, J Grieves, J Reed & W Watson.
Apologies: Cllr I Hutchinson (NCC)

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

1. Cllrs Grieves & Watson were present at the November Meeting, Minutes amended accordingly. **Minutes (including any ratification of decisions taken) of meetings** held 14th November 2022 were agreed and signed.

2. **Declaration of Interest:** None, other than the Planning as noted.

3. Matters Arising:

Highway Issues: Scheduled work on Burnstones bridge – has not started, still awaiting clarification on track status – public right of way or a permission right of way. Heavy vehicle have been seen travelling across the bridge which is dangerous – no update.

Railway bridge over the Knarr (South Tyne Trail) – still to check if the necessary work has been completed.

Low Bridge sign at Lambley – sign at Brampton and Lambley but not very visible – new sign in the design stage – no update.

Street light (Church/ Kirkstyle) not working, possibly due to work being carried out, will monitor.

Winter maintenance – salt distribution programme implemented, some roadside salt piles still needed (Lintley Bank).

Drainage issue at Community Hall, all the drains require attention – Cllr Hutchinson to be asked to speak to Highways.

Church Lonning (Pennine Way) – very boggy, raised manhole cover(Water Board) – this is possibly due to the track condition.

Letter received from a parishioner was read out, Clerk to check out the contents with NCC and report back at next meeting.

Old School: Cllr Mennie contacted Neil Masson (NCC Legal), e-mail sent – response received yet.

South Tyne Railway: Clerk still unable has not had a response re the field.

Tree Preservation Order: pear tree at The Eals – nothing further to report, NCC still considering TPO.

South Tyne Trail: vehicles using it as a road, accessing it from Burnstones, travelling at speed – churning up surface and a danger to walkers – Clerk to contact NCC Rights of Way again to ascertain what action they are taking to stop this – no update.

Public Right Of Way/Witness Statements: Cllr Armstrong gave an update.

Maintenance: Maintenance of the bus shelters and seats – still trying to find someone to do the work.

Notice Boards: Knarsdale Estate to be approach re their proposed donation.

Play Park Inspection: Clerk to source a qualified person required to carry out an annual inspection.

4. **Queen's Platinum Jubilee Trees:** Cllr Mennie to arrange planting at the appropriate time.

5. Planning Applications:

Cllr Watson declared an interest and took no part. WHP Telecoms – proposed base station installation upgrade at cornerstone 12423801, land at Sanders Close, Slaggyford.

Cllr Mennie declared an interest and took no part. NCC Planning Ref 2/04437/FUL – proposed conversion of redundant former chapel to form one holiday let, along with associated car parking and amenity space. Former Methodist Chapel U7016 Kirkhaugh Junction to Low Row, Kirkhaugh CA93BG. **22/04763/LBC (NCC)** Listed building consent for repair works to include re-laying existing stone slates, the addition of rainwater goods, re-building of areas of loose masonry, structural stitching, repointing and the renewal of rotten lintels – Bastle House at Epiacum North West of Whitlow Coittage, Alston.

6. Financial:

Monies: £11,534.84 (includes £773 ring fenced Transparency Grant).

LESS: Tynedale Hospice £25.00, Great North Air Ambulance £50.00, Ashridge Nurseries £95.10, Bank Charges £10.00 = £11,354.74 (includes £773 ring fenced Transparency Grant).

Online Banking: Cllrs and Clerk processing documentation to change bank from HSBC to Unity Trust.

7. Transparency, Open-ness & Accountability:

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

8. Tynedale Local Area Council:

Next meeting – 10th January 2023.

9. Correspondence:

Chapel Lonning/Pennine Way – condition of track (parishioner’s letter).

10. Any Other Business:

Watering Hole – work still to be done, Cllr Hutchinson to be asked to remind the relevant person.

Rural Broadband – general info received from NCC regarding the rolling out of this project, will receive notification as and when anything needs to be actioned.

11. Date of Next Meeting: Monday 13th March 2023 at 7.30p.m.

Meeting closed at 8.30p.m.

Signed: Date:

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