

Cresswell Parish Council (CPC)

Parish Council Meeting

Held Wednesday 22nd November 2023

Cresswell Village Hall 7pm

23.51 Present

Councillors: Dr C Tyrie(Chairman) D Laing(Vice chair), C Wilson, S Haywood, A Stoodley, P Wilson

In attendance:

M Burn (Clerk) Members of the public attending x5 Introductions were made by all those present at the meeting

23.52 Apologies for absence received:

Cllr S Tyrie

23.53 Declaration of Interests, and grant of any dispensations:

None

23.54 Public Questions Received in Advance of the meeting:

None

23.55 Minutes of previous meeting: (Chair)

The minutes of the previous meeting on 13th September 2023 were agreed as correct and signed by the Chairman.

23.56 Matters Arising from the Minutes (unless separately on the agenda)

(23.56.01)Lyne Bay & River Lyne (23.26.03) (Chair)

Informed the meeting that further responses had been received from both the Environment agency(EA) and from NCC & Coal Authority. The (EA) point out

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the effluent pooling was not reported directly at the time it occurred, therefore no record exists of the issue. Both NCC & (CA) make it clear the pooling is an issue for the (EA).Cllr C Wilson spoke of a lack of beach clearing on Lyne bay by NCC, it was the public collecting sea coal that were collecting the rubbish. Cllr Laing confirmed bore holes were to be repeated on the links before the end.

(23.56.02)Cllr Laing - Village green trees were now relocated successfully. (23.56.03) Dry stone wall on C110 near Golden Sands not repaired by crown estates. Chair to write to the Crown to address the issue requesting repairs without further delays.

23.57 Correspondence:

23.57.01 Chair explained Cllrs receive electronic information items including from NCC, NALC, the police and others. Clerk confirmed with the council if they wish to continue to receive these bulletins? Agreed to continue in full. (23.57.02) (Clerk) Informed the meeting that an update had been requested from NCC & received regarding Lyne bay regeneration project. This was circulated to Cllr's in advance of the meeting and included name & contact details for the contractor of works. Expected start date is April 2024.

23.58 Financial Matters: (Clerk)

(23.58.01)There were no invoices over 100GBP to declare to council. (23.58.02)Annual financial support from Parkdean Ltd had been received. (23.58.03) The budget forecast for the year 24/25 was agreed. (Chair) confirmed there would not be an increase in the Parish precept 24/25. (23.58.04) Financial support from NCC for public toilets has been received. (23.58.05) Annual financial support from Northumbrian Leisure has been received. (Chair) thanked those who are generously supporting the council. (23.58.06) Discussion took place regarding the possibility of other business supporting the finances of the parish council.

23.59 Planning:

(23.59.01) Applications at Home Farm are now agreed with the exception of 1 Dovecote Mews Home Farm.

23.60 Communications:

(23.60.01) The CPC Facebook page has 164 Likes & 184 Followers. The next newsletter will be in December. As a communication for community events the newsletter is very popular. Recent events within the parish were successful with Macmillan coffee morning raising 500GBP & Table top sale 250GBP respectfully.

23.61 Town & Parish Council Conference October 2023:

(23.61.01) (Cllr Laing) informed the meeting that he had attended the conference on behalf of (CPC). The conference was well attended and very

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informative. Cllr Laing explained various workshops were available including NCC highways & Planning. Issues of flooding were raised with highways. Planning issues were highlighted by several other parties attending. It was suggested a separate dedicated conference be held in early 2024 for the issues solely relating to planning matters.

23.62 Parish Joint Working Forum:

(23.62.01) (Chair) Held at Cresswell, the first forum meeting was attended by Cresswell Parish (Chair), Ellington/Linton(Chairman Mr Towers) and Lynemouth (Chair Liz Dunn). Discussion took place regarding the aims & objectives and the support of Cllr Scott Dickinson was confirmed. Further meetings are to be arranged in the near future. It is anticipated that representatives of Widdrington may choose to attend.

23.63 Fix My Street:

(23.63.01) (Clerk) Fly tipping at Snab point car park has not been removed. The issue is the height barriers for which NCC staff operatives require keys. Clerk to chase up at NCC.

(23.63.02)Flooding reported with photographs, NCC attended and have done some work but have been hampered by the wet conditions. Discussion took place regarding flooding issues along the C110 north. The opening of the sluice gate at Cresswell pond was debated as to who is responsible and how often it can be opened.

(23.63.03) Vandalised bin at Home Farm / Bewick Drift site was maintained by NCC.

23.64 Community Clean Up: Cancelled

(23.64.01) Due to bad weather the clean up was cancelled. To be arranged April/May 2024.

23.65 Dune Land Grazing:

(23.65.01)Cllr Laing explained the change of use of grazing land located opposite Blakemoor farm from cattle grazing to wild/dune land. The land is owned by NCC & will be managed to improve wildlife habitat.

23.66 Events Coordination Within the Parish - Use of Village Green (23.66.01) Extensive discussion took place regarding the use of the parish village green for public parking. Clerk reminded the meeting that this was unlawful. Cllr Laing suggested it would be reasonable to allow limited parking during events or church matters causing an 'overflow' of traffic. Representing the Pele Tower and garden committee, Mr B Mead stated the staff running events are too few & cannot marshall parking. Cllr Stoodley suggested increasing the no parking signs in quantity and size. Council agreed the response to requests by third parties to park on the green should be to refuse permission.

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23.67 Additional Business

(23.67.01)A short discussion took place regarding Christmas lights and arrangements for festivities at the Pele tower. (23.67.02)Chair confirmed the neighbourhood plan would be accepted by NCC in the near future with dates to be confirmed.

The meeting closed at 8pm

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Wednesday 24th January 7pm

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Signed	Dr C Tyrie (Chairman)		
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