

NORTH SUNDERLAND PARISH COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on

Monday 4th March 2024 at The Community Building, Stone Close, Seahouses

Police Report

Stats as follows –

9 incidents since the last meeting – Only one of note is some trespassing at the old first school.

Nothing to suggest this is going to start becoming an issue but just to make you aware.

6 crimes since the last meeting – None of which involve anyone else or that would appear to be part of any crime tends developing. Also none raise the level of vulnerability to the other residents living in the village.

Community policing – Nothing to add from our perspective.

144/2023 PRESENT

Cllr Alan Trotter (Chair)

Cllr David Fordy

Cllr Sylvia Hillan

Cllr Ailsa Shiel

Cllr Jane Scott

Cllr Maureen Bramley

Cllr David Shiel

IN ATTENDANCE

Kerren Rodgers, Clerk & RFO,

145/2023 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

County Cllr Guy Renner-Thompson, Cllr Louise Dawson

146/2023 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Cllr Hillan planning application 24/00155/FUL

147/2023 PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

148/2023 AGREEMENT OF AGENDA 4th March 2024 – 1 additional planning, OOA, 1 memorial request, additional £50 on cemetery invoice - all agreed

149/2023 CONSIDERATION OF:

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting 5th February 2024 – Proposed Cllr Fordy, seconded Cllr Sylvia Hillan - all agreed

150/2023 MATTERS ARISING

1. Update on request from NCC Estates for meeting to consider taking over playparks.
The Parish Council were read the email received from NCC estates and noted the disappointment that the offer from the PC to meet and discuss the importance of the playparks to the village had been declined.
2. Update on James Street- Village Green Application
The letter received from NCC Legal was read out and whilst it was noted that the application could now progress, it was disappointing that this had taken nearly 3 years already.

151/2023 PLANNING

1. 24/00155/FUL Proposed infilling of doors and installation of roller shutter door and condenser units to create cold food preparation area. **Links Hotel, 8 King Street, Seahouses, NE68 7XP**
– The Parish Council had received numerous complaints about this application and the resulting major disruption with electrical works and street works which had not been notified. The Parish Council objected to this application as it does not believe the noise potential from the condenser units has been properly addressed, that the increased large vehicle traffic, in a largely residential area is considered inappropriate and the affects on drainage which is already at capacity, has not been fully anticipated. The Parish Council believes that this operation should be based within one of the designated industrial areas, not in the largely residential area of the village.
An email is to be sent to Cllr Renner-Thompson regarding the severe disruption to the village with the roadworks on James Street and the planned disruption to Dunstan View.
2. 23/2956/OUT Outline planning permission (all matters reserved) for 2 principal occupancy dwellings – self build (amended description 29.1.24) **Land South East of Elford Farm Cottages, Seahouses** – no comment required out of area
3. 24/00655/FELTPO Three replacement windows and one replacement set of patio doors (Retrospective)Tree preservation Order Application – **2 Budle Sands, Bamburgh, NE69 7AJ** – no comment required out of area.

Application withdrawn None

Permission Granted: None

Permission Refused: None

152/2023 CEMETERY – Tarpaulin update and possible soil removal, earlier grass cutting start

The Chairman confirmed that the tarpaulin covering the soil/clay pit is now in place and had additional fixings added as it appeared some of the top soil had been “removed” with the tarpaulin not being resecured. It was also confirmed that the grass cutting is likely to start earlier than expected (weather permitted) – all agreed

153/2023 FINANCE

1. Monies paid into General Current Account since last meeting: £0.00

2. Monies to be paid from General Account:

	£ VAT	£ incl vat
HP Instant Inks – Monthly charge	.75	4.49
NCC – Clerks salary Feb '24		781.77
NCC Admin costs	2.50	15.00
Total	3.25	801.26

3. Monies paid into Cemetery Current Account since last meeting: £0.00

4. Monies to be paid from Cemetery Account:

	£ VAT	£ incl VAT
Cemetery Maintenance		550.00
Sub Total		550.00
TOTAL		550.00

- All payments agreed

154/2023 CORRESPONDENCE – A request had been received from Bart Endean for an additional description for Roma Dawson – all agreed

155/2023 COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT – Cllr Renner-Thompson had given apologies

156/2023 REPORTS AND COMMENTS – Cllr Hillan reported on the Seahouses Development Trust which now owns the land for the tennis courts but given the delay all promises of grants had been lost. It had been agreed that the area would now be a MUGA (multi use games area) and a quote of £95k had been received, with some funds already raised. The Trust had asked for a letter of support from the PC – the meeting noted that a formal request should be made – all agreed. Cllr Bramley noted that the PC could make a donation toward the MUGA and this is to be discussed at the next meeting.

Cllr David Shiel noted that the thorn hedge next to Rose Cottage was still proving an issue – to be reported on fixmystreet again.

Cllr Bramley noted that the bollards had been removed from Harbour Hill, but the wall is still in place. Also, asked if once the Main Street had been resurfaced, could signage of what the parking restrictions are be asked to be installed.

157/2023 CONFIRMATION OF NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:

MONDAY 8th April at 7pm at Community Building, Stone Close

Signed.....

Chairman – Alan Trotter