

NORTH SUNDERLAND PARISH COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on

Monday 10th February 2025 at The Community Building, Stone Close, Seahouses

Police Report

Incidents and crimes –

(1) There have been no crimes reported during the last 28 days since the previous meeting. The number of incidents recorded is very low.

Community Issues –

ASB: No incidents of any youth ASB has been reported.

Community Engagement –

No disorder reported by any local pubs.

Northumbria Police would like as many people as possible to sign up to the website as it is an easy way to send and receive messages with Northumbria Police. Police are able to send information on matters you wish to receive effecting the community. People can also create their own groups and can help send feedback to Police in relation to problems in the local area. Please could you have a look at www.northumbriaconnected.com .

The advice from police is if member of the public sees a crime being committed – a 999 call should be made to report it. If the crime has already happened and the perpetrators have left, then this should be reported either on the website or 101.

126/2024 PRESENT

Cllr Maureen Bramley (Chair)	Cllr David Fordy
Cllr Sylvia Hillan (vice Chair)	Cllr Ailsa Shiel
Cllr Jane Scott	

IN ATTENDANCE

Kerren Rodgers, Clerk & RFO, Cllr Guy Renner-Thompson, Mr John Holwell

127/2024 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Louise Dawson – work commitments, Cllr David Shiel – prior engagement

128/2024 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None

129/2024 PUBLIC COMMENTS:

130/2024 AGREEMENT OF AGENDA 10th February 2025 – all agreed

131/2024 CONSIDERATION OF:

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting 13th January 2025 – Proposed Cllr Fordy, seconded Cllr Scott, all agreed

132/2024 MATTERS ARISING

1. Cost of living rise to be actioned for February pay de to staff illness at NCC
2. Insurance renewal – builder quotation/archive information regarding pillars/gates – Cllr Hillan has contacted archive and requested sight of minutes that may be relevant – awaiting a response.
3. To consider request from Mr Rhind regarding options for Swinhoe crossroads – discussions took place over options proposed by NCC highways and the meeting agreed that the better of the two options proposed was a roundabout. As information regarding size/layout of roundabout was missing from the information, Cllr Renner-Thompson agreed to forward the full proposal to the Clerk for circulation. The meeting agreed that the Clerk would email Mr Rhind with their decision.
4. Grant funding for new bus shelters – the clerk reported that an application had been made for a replacement/new bus shelters.

133/2024 PLANNING

1. **25/00162/FUL** Demolition of existing rear extension and construction of new rear extension **7 Islestone Drive, Seahouses, NE68 7XB** – No objections
2. **25/00174/FUL** Alterations to The Strand to part demolish front boundary wall, alter external steps to front door, extend existing balcony to full width of the front elevation, and alter window openings. Extension to increase height and extension to the rear of Strand Cottage **The Strand, Strand Cottage 24A and 24B St Aidans, Seahouses, NE68 7SS** – discussions took place regarding the proposed developments and concerns were raised over the level of development proposed and the loss of privacy to neighbouring properties.

Out of Area Applications – No comment required, for information only

1. **25/0015/LBC** Listed Building consent for single storey extension to North East. Proposals to include removal of roof structure over existing single storey extension and amendments to North elevation to alter openings. **Wynding House, 4 The Wynding, Bamburgh, NE69 7DB**
2. **24/04442/LBC** Listed building consent to strip roof coverings and replace with salvaged/bought matching materials, replace asphalt, valley gutters and provision of scaffolding enclosure to facilitate works **Bamburgh Castle, Bamburgh, NE69 7DF**

Permission Granted:

1. Advertisement consent for installation of various illuminated signage. **Land At West of Seafeld Apartments, Seafeld Road, Seahouses**
2. Variation of Condition 2 (approved plans) on approved application 24/01688/FUL in order to make alterations to the sunroom/Summer Room and 1st floor Bedroom **Westfield Farmhouse, Seahouses, NE68 7UR**

Permission Withdrawn:

1. Change of use of upper floor offices into a 3 bedroom apartment and external alterations (Amended description) **Pinnacles Bazaar, 21-23 Main Street, North Sunderland, Seahouses, NE68 7RE**

Permission Refused: - None

134/2024 CEMETERY – Quote for grave markers – Cllr Shiel n/a. Overhanging trees to be carried forward, Moles appear to have been dealt with, no invoice yet received. Cemetery committee to meet over the next few weeks – Clerk to provide financial information

135/2024 FINANCE

1. New cashflow format against budget, for monthly review – to be circulated
2. Monies paid into General Current Account since last meeting: £0

3. Monies to be paid from General Account:

	£ VAT	£ incl vat
HP Instant Inks – Monthly charge	.92	5.49
NCC – Clerks salary Jan '25		796.74
NCC Admin costs	1.67	10.00
Insurance		581.15
Total	2.59	1393.38

4. Monies paid into Cemetery Current Account since last meeting: £0

5. Monies to be paid from Cemetery Account:

	£ VAT	£ incl VAT
Cemetery Maintenance Jan		500.00
Sub Total		500.00
TOTAL		500.00

- All payments agreed

136/2024 CORRESPONDENCE – Bart Endean request to update Tait headstone – all agreed

137/2024 COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT – Cllr Renner-Thompson provided an update on the progress of the old school land and also the old tourist information centre with the Lord Crewe asking for financial information. The Broad Road is now closed for major repairs. NCC are not prepared to install bins on the harbour – the commissioners are to ask the traders to install bins and remove own rubbish.

The Chair asked for a report on the NP meeting, as she had been unable to attend – the meeting agreed that another councillor should attend in Cllrs Bramley or Scott cannot. Cllr Renner-Thompson confirmed that the NP meeting had agreed to a landscaping survey and housing needs survey to be carried out. NCC are to report back on number of planning applications that had been passed, despite PC's objecting on grounds of parking issues.

138/2024 REPORTS AND COMMENTS – Cllr David Fordy asked for an update on the parking issues on Kippylaw – Cllr Hillan felt it had improved during the week but was still an issue at weekends. The Clerk confirmed that the matter was reported to the police and they were to monitor when in area.

Cllr Scott noted that the property at the top of the harbour hill had removed the illegal bollards but had tarmaced over the yellow lines – Cllr Renner-Thompson to ask NCC to investigate.

Cllr Bramley raised the issue that residents/visitors still seem to be unclear as to when they should be parking on the Main Street, with parking issues remaining a problem. Cllr Bramley suggested an article being written for the Village News explaining the parking restrictions.

Cllr Bramley noted the thanks for the donation to the Village by the Sea donation, the event had been a great success with a profit of £500 being split between the church and the MUGA. Requests

had been received for copies of the film and arrangements for copies to be made were in process.

The Historical Group are hoping to also hold an event for VE day.

139/2024 ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA:

140/2024 CONFIRMATION OF NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:

MONDAY 3rd March at 7.00pm at Community Building, Stone Close, Seahouses

Signed.....

Chairman