

# NORTH SUNDERLAND PARISH COUNCIL

## Draft Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2025 at The Community Building, Stone Close, Seahouses**

### Police Report

*Incidents and crimes –*

*(1) There are no crimes of note that we are able to provide report on during the last four weeks. The number of crimes that have been recorded however is extremely low. Likewise, the number of incidents is very low.*

*Community Issues –*

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

*Community Engagement –*

*On 15<sup>th</sup> December 2024, an incident re disorder in The Schooner PH, was reported whereby a male customer had refused to leave, became aggressive and assaulted another customer inside the premises. The offender was arrested. Investigation ongoing.*

*I have attached a leaflet above which gives some information for the initiative named Northumbria Connected. 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.northumbriacconnected.com](http://www.northumbriacconnected.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.**

### 111/2024 PRESENT

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

### IN ATTENDANCE

Kerren Rodgers, Clerk & RFO, Cllr Guy Renner-Thompson

### 112/2024 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Louise Dawson – work commitments, Cllr Ailsa Shiel - illness

### 113/2024 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None

### 114/2024 PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

**115/2024 AGREEMENT OF AGENDA 13<sup>th</sup> January 2025** – Proposed Cllr Hillan, seconded Cllr Fordy, all agreed

## **116/2024 CONSIDERATION OF:**

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2024 – Proposed acceptance by Cllr David Shiel, seconded Cllr Fordy - all agreed

## **117/2024 MATTERS ARISING – Dealt with out of order to allow all other matters to be dealt with first.**

1. Agreement of annual cost of living payrise for clerk £13.02 to £13.69ph backdated to 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024 (Clerk left meeting to allow discussion) – agreed
2. Insurance renewal – builder quotation/archive information regarding pillars/gates – Insurance renewal agreed as 3 yr “deal” agreed 2024. Cllr Hillan to attend archive
3. Budget considerations/Precept for 2025 – The meeting considered all items of expenditure to provide a working budget for the 2025/2026 financial year. It was noted that due to the double tax on second homes, the necessary increase in precept will not have any financial impact on residents. The Chair proposed an increase in precept to £22k per annum – all agreed

## **118/2024 PLANNING**

1. **23/04329/FUL** Refurbishment works to provide five apartments, replacement of potting shed with dwelling, refurbishment of the Crows Nest to dwelling, and demolition and replacement of the Office Building to dwelling (amended description 04.11.24) **Shoreston Hall Seahouses, NE68 7SX** – Mr Maling-Dunn from IDA homes, attended the meeting to answer queries raised by the Parish Council. The problems with the roof in the main hall and damage to windows, water damage to the aerated slabs on the roof at the rear of the hall had to be removed for H & S reasons. The meeting was assured that all buildings are to be reinstated to the exact footprint and all properties are to be sold for permanent residence only. Further explanation of necessary building works to meet current building regs was provided. The Chair thanked Mr Maling-Dunn for attending and the information which had answered all concerns. Cllr Renner-Thompson suggested that the Parish Council request the £400k affordable housing contribution which is part of this planning application, be requested to only be spent in North Sunderland. The meeting agreed to support the application with this request.

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

1. **24/03566/FUL** Proposed Garden Shed store with attached open Gazebo **13 Coble Way, The Kilns, Beadnell, NE67 5EP**
2. Change of use and conversion to single holiday unit **The Boathouse, Heather Cottages, Budle, Bamburgh, NE69 7AH - WITHDRAWN**

### **Permission Granted:**

1. Advertisement consent for illuminated ATM fascia sign with blue lettering “ATM” out of white background. Non illuminated top sign NCP 6625 E Height 400mm width 700mm. Blues, yellows and purple background with white lettering “free cash withdrawals” and Euronet Logo. **Barclays, 1 Seafield Road, Seahouses, NE68 7SJ**
2. Advertisement consent for 1no. Fascia and 1no. projecting/hanging Seahouses Chemist sign. **Boots Pharmacy, 30 Main Steet, North Sunderland, NE68 7RQ**
3. Proposed new small lobby to be added to existing reception structure on site to provide level access for visitors **Land at West of Seafield Apartments, Seafield Road, Seahouses**
4. Single storey glass room located on the rear of the property **The Dunes, St Aidans, Seahouses, NE68 7SS**

### **Permission Refused: - None**

**119/2024 CEMETERY** – Quote for grave markers – Cllr Shiel had requested a further quote which has not been received – will follow up. Overhanging trees to be carried forward, Moles are still being dealt with, no invoice yet received. The clay pit has been emptied – thanks extended.

**120/2024 FINANCE**

1. New cashflow format for monthly review  
The updated cashflow had been circulated – discussed with budget
2. Monies paid into General Current Account since last meeting: £343.36 (interest)

3. Monies to be paid from General Account:

	£ VAT	£ incl vat
HP Instant Inks – Monthly charge	.92	5.49
NCC – Clerks salary Dec '24		796.74
NCC Admin costs	1.67	10.00
Christmas Tree Purchase for Village	8.33	50.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>10.92</b>	<b>862.23</b>

4. Monies paid into Cemetery Current Account since last meeting: £1107.63 (int £107.63)

5. Monies to be paid from Cemetery Account:

	£ VAT	£ incl VAT
Cemetery Maintenance Dec		500.00
<b>Sub Total</b>		<b>500.00</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>500.00</b>

- All payments agreed

**121/2024 CORRESPONDENCE** – Update Northumberland “Rail Link” 918 Bus Service – information circulated to all councillors

**122/2024 COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT** – Cllr Renner-Thompson was not able to provide a report as had been on paternal leave and then compassionate leave.

**123/2024 REPORTS AND COMMENTS** – Cllr David Shiel raised concerns about the obstruction of paths and poor parking in Kippy Law. The Chair asked that this be reported to the police. Cllr Jane Scott noted that the “Village by the Sea” event is taking place on the 17<sup>th</sup> January, with 2 showings, one in the afternoon and one in the evening. Food and drinks included in the ticket price and all monies received to be split between the hub and the Church. Cllr Bramley noted that the yellow lines on Dunstan View and North Street are fading and therefore vehicles are parking. Cllr Renner-Thompson to report and ask highways to renew.

**124/2024 ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA:** John Holwell to update PC on rail project.

**125/2024 CONFIRMATION OF NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:**

**MONDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> February at 7.00pm at Community Building, Stone Close, Seahouses**

Signed.....

Chairman