

Minutes of ordinary meeting of Tasset and Greystead Parish Council held at Lanehead Village Hall on Wednesday 21st November 2018 at 7.30pm

Those Present J Morrison-Bell (Chairman), S Walton, G Liddle, G Armstrong, D McCracken, M Walton,

In Attendance C Miller (Clerk), J Holland, Greenhaugh Primary School

2018/70 Apologies for Absence

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2018/71 Declaration of Interests

J Morrison-Bell declared an interest in all Planning Applications and planning matters.

2018/72 Minutes of the previous meeting held 19th September 2018

The minutes of the previous meeting held 19th September 2018 were agreed as a true record.

2018/73 Matters arising from the previous meeting held 19th September 2018

There were no matters raising from the previous meeting held 19th September 2018.

2018/74 Public Participation

J Holland believe it important the Parish Council have information regarding the current Planning Application for a flat roof extension to the school. Architects visited Greenhaugh School on 1/10/18 who had already drawn a plan up without consultation with the governing body of the school and it appears the County Council have not listened to their views. Issues are regarding the flat roof extension, with the school budget not allowing to maintain such a structure, and which will not be aesthetically pleasing; the proposals will not enhance the qualities of the National Park; consideration is not being given to maximise renewable energy or energy efficiency, as the extension does not seem to be insulated; it contravenes the planning criteria and should be given particular credence as Greenhaugh is the only school governed by Northumberland National Park Authority; there are proposals to build over the existing drain; new space will take natural light from the working kitchen area; the ramp will end up in a pond; there is no consideration to disabled toilets within the school; the solid wall in the school which separates the early years and key stage 1 will be plumbed into permanent smart boards – and these points were all mentioned to the architect when the plan was presented to the headteacher. There will be no safe and secure outside area for early years which is a requirement; the covering letter attached to the plans is incorrect and mentions more teachers than are employed; main sewerage mentioned is incorrect as there is a septic tank. Due to these concerns the school have no confidence with the experts and don't feel able to accept the plans. County Cllr J Riddle had spoken to County Council officials with a meeting arranged with the school to discuss the issues. Converting to a primary requires year 5 and 6 to have a separate space, however the proposals will cost in the regions of £366,000.

Parish Council can object to the plan regarding architectural merit and lack of disabled facilities on legitimate grounds and would submit this to NAPA, and at the same time would contact County Council with a more broad scoped objection.

2018/75 Highway Matters

Drains/sinks would benefit from improvement works.

2018/76 Financial Matters

2018/76/01 To consider the most recent financial accounts

The most recent financial accounts were accepted as a true record.

2018/76/02 To authorise invoices for payment: C Miller September, October Salary - £319.17 & Expenses - £24.24 (583); HMRC, PAYE – £49.29 (DD).

2018/76/03 To approve precept 2019 - 2020

It was agreed to retain the precept for 2019 – 2020 at the current level of £7,000.

2018/76/04 Request for grant: Community Action Northumberland; Tynedale Hospice at Home

It was agreed to donate £250 to Tynedale Hospice at Home.

2018/76/05 To authorise any future expenditure

Trees would be required for orchard in the near future and orchard maintenance invoice not yet received.

2018/77 Correspondence received

- Notice of vacancy for Parish Council representative on Northumberland Association of Local Council Committee
- CPRE – newsletter
- Community Action Northumberland – notice of Housing Needs Survey to be carried out within Bellingham and North Tyne – survey had been circulated within the parish but did not appear relevant

2018/78 Planning

2018/78/01 Planning applications received:

- 18NP0093LBC and 18NP0093LBC: High Green Manor, listed building consent and application for construction of new entrance together with refurbishment and internal alterations to form one unit of accommodation – no objections
- 18NP0097: Tarsset Hall, Variation of Condition 2 of 18NP0012, construction of agricultural building for livestock and general storage – no objections
- 18NP0104: Construction of replacement single storey flat roof extension to western elevation to provide additional teaching space at Greenhaugh First School – discussed earlier

2018/78/02 Approval of Planning permission received:

No approvals of planning permission had been received.

2018/78/03 Greenhaugh wildlife walks panel

Planning permission had been granted for this.

2018/79 Reintroduction of Lynx to Kielder

Scottish wildcats to be reintroduced elsewhere.

2018/80 Orchard

Discussed earlier.

2018/81 Tree flailing

County Council were not in a position to provide funds for the Parish Council to take over tree flailing works, however regarding future works the Parish Council would monitor the situation. Further signs would be available to indicate protected roadside verges.

2018/82 Reports

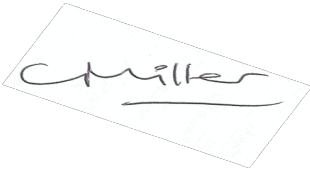
J Morrison-Bell now on the Sill Advisory Board.

2018/83 Urgent Business

Some parishioners had been upset the Parish Council had submitted comments regarding the emergency services mast Planning Application, that there would be “no benefit to the community,” to the proposals – the comment had related to the proposals not having any effect on the current, poor mobile reception within the parish.

2018/84 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of Tarsset and Greystead Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 16th January 2019 at 730pm.



The meeting closed at 830pm.

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