

**Minutes of an electronic meeting of Tarset and Greystead Parish Council held at 730pm on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2020**

**Those Present** J Morrison-Bell (Chairman), W Morrison-Bell, G Liddle, G Armstrong, T Kathiravel, D McCracken, C Miller (Clerk)

**2020/37 Apologies for Absence**

S Walton, M Walton

**2020/38 Declaration of Members Interests**

J Morrison-Bell declared an interest in planning applications.

W Morrison-Bell declared an interest in planning applications relating to High Green.

**2020/39 Minutes of the previous meeting held 15<sup>th</sup> January 2020**

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2020 were accepted as a true record.

**2020/40 Matters arising from the previous meeting held 15<sup>th</sup> January 2020**

There were no matters arising from the previous meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2020.

**2020/41 Public Participation**

There was no public participation.

**2020/42 Financial Matters**

**2020/42/01 To consider the most recent financial accounts**

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

**2020/42/02 To approve payments authorised since the previous meeting:**

CM Commercial, grasscutting 7<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> April - £64.00; C Miller March, April Salary - £284.85 & expenses - £6.95 (BACS); HMRC, PAYE – £71.00; NALC – annual subscription - £88.69; Came & Company – annual insurance premium – £218.00; CM Commercial (NE) Ltd – grasscutting 14<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> May - £64.00

It was resolved to approve the payments.

**2020/42/03 To approve the following payments:**

C Miller May, June Salary - £287.50; HMRC – PAYE – £71.00; CM Commercial – grasscutting 11 & 26 June - £64.00.

It was resolved to approve the payments

**2020/42/04 To consider and approve request for grant from Tarset News**

The cost per annum in 2019 to produce the publication amounted to £1040 which included printing, envelopes and postage, with fund raising ongoing, a contribution received from the proceeds of the Christmas party at the village hall and plans for a future Tarset Calendar with postcards currently on sale. After discussion it was resolved to grant £300.

**2020/42/05 To receive grant acknowledgement from VARC**

Grant acknowledgement from VARC received.

**2020/43 Correspondence received**

There was no correspondence.

**2020/44 Planning**

**2020/44/01 Planning applications received**

- 20PN0002LBC: Listed Building Consent, removal of a later panel of stonework from agricultural building known as The Danish Barn, High Green Manor – **APPLICATION NOW APPROVED**
- 19NP00100: Conversion and extension of outbuildings into 2 No holiday accommodation units and construction of two storey side and rear extensions to existing dwelling and change of use of field to parking and alterations to driveway at Keepers Cottage, High Green. **APPLICATION NOW WITHDRAWN.**
- 20NP0004: Erection of kiosk and associated works on land 700m south west of Greenhaugh. **APPLICATION APPROVED.**
- 20NP0014: Construction of geodesic dome greenhouse at Redmire Cottage, Lanehead. **APPLICATION APPROVED.**
- 20NP0043: Conversion and extension of outbuildings (The Bothy and The Kennels) into 2 holiday accommodation units and construction of two storey side and rear extensions to existing dwelling and change of use to field to parking and alterations to driveway at Keepers Cottage, High Green, Tarsset – County Council had submitted an objection to the application and it had been referred for archaeological reports due to historic mine works in the area.

**2020/44/02 Approval of Planning permission received**

- 20NP0019LBC: Listed Building Consent, removal of stonework, insertion of gutter, Danish Barn, The Manor, High Green.
- 20NP0028: Snowhall Cottage Tarsset, retrospective – installation of 2 No air source heat pumps and replace space heating.

**2020/44/03 Radio Mast**

A parishioner had been in contact with Guy Opperman MP regarding if and when a mobile arial may be put onto the new mast South of Greenhaugh, Parish Council had also made representations to the MP with outcome awaited,- and it was resolved Clerk would request a progress report.

**2020/45 Orchard**

Pathway in orchard had recently been cut with weed killing and flattening to be actioned. Trees had been pruned and planted, and shrubbery cleared by volunteers and it was resolved they be officially thanked. The whole area is now looking very tidy.

**2020/46 Reports**

J Morrison-Bell had attended Northumberland National Park Authority meeting and reported the new local plan had been ratified and passed, would come into effect in the near future and be a liberation on planning issues for the authority. The plan can be viewed on NNPA web-site.

**2020/47 Audit of Accounts year ending 31/3/20**

**2020/47/01 To consider and agree any actions arising from the report of the internal auditor**

There were no matters arising from the report of the internal auditor.

**2020/47/02 To approve the Governance Statement**

It was resolved to approve the governance statement.

**2020/47/03 To approve the draft annual accounts for 2019/2020**

It was resolved to approve the draft annual accounts for 2019/2020.

**2020/47/04 To approve the Accounting Statement and explanation of variances**

It was resolved to approve the accounting statement and explanation of variances.

**2020/47/05 To approve the Exemption Certificate**

It was resolved to approve the exemption certificate.

**2020/48 Information Boards**

It was resolved to thank volunteer for repairing broken noticeboard in the village.

**2020/49 Tourism Group**

Bellingham Parish Council had proposed a new tourism group be created to promote the area with representatives from all local Parish Councils and key stakeholders, and Clerk would circulate further information to all Cllrs. J Morrison-Bell to personally contact the Council with apologies for not responding to them sooner.

**2020/50 Renewal of pub as a community asset**

The Hollybush Inn had initially been registered as a community asset in July 2015 and it was resolved to apply to the County Council to re-register this.

**2020/51 Community Fibre Partnership**

W Morrison-Bell had circulated information via the parish email circulation service. Broadly the line turns left from Diamond Cottage to Emblehope. Inorthumberland were to request a replacement quote from Openreach as additional properties had shown interest in the proposals. The government voucher scheme offers £1500 for a domestic dwelling and £3000 for a business, and including an additional top up from the Borderland scheme, domestic vouchers would then be worth £3000 per household and business vouchers £7000, and for a small community there is a substantial amount of funding available. Greenhaugh has fibre broadband with good speeds and are not part of the proposals. Greenhaugh school had also shown interest but may not qualify. The end of Tarsset and Falstone fibre starts at Ridge End, and it would make sense for parishes close together to be joined up, and W Morrison-Bell would look into the viability of this.

**2020/52 Web-site Accessibility Statement**

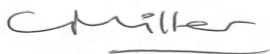
New regulations were coming into force September 2020 regarding web-site accessibility for all users, and the web-site administrators were able to run through the accessibility evaluation tool and produce the required accessibility statement. Following the evaluation there may be some changes needed to the format of documents.

**2020/53 Urgent Business**

- G Armstrong had been contacted by the village hall who had asked if the Parish Council wished to pay towards rent towards the village hall, even though they were not using it at the present time due to the Covid-19 pandemic, however it was thought the hall committee may have received a government grant and clarification of their financial status and a formal request in writing would be required.
- There was no up to date copy of the Parish Cllr list on the noticeboards - Clerk would forward to G Armstrong to display and a copy would also be forwarded to the Tarsset News.
- The local vicar was retiring and who had carried out an invaluable service to the parish over the past few years.

**2020/54 Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of Tarsset and Greystead Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2020 at 730pm.



Claire Miller, Parish Clerk

The meeting closed at 830pm.