

Minutes of ordinary meeting of Tasset and Greystead Parish Council held at 730pm on Wednesday 17th November 2021 in Lanehead Village Hall

Those Present J Morrison-Bell (Chairman), G Liddle, A Robinson, D Capps, D McCracken (part of meeting)
C Miller (Clerk)

2021/94 Apologies for Absence
G Armstrong, W Morrison-Bell, J Thompson

2021/95 Declaration of Members Interests
J Morrison-Bell declared an interested in planning matters.

2021/96 Minutes of the previous meeting held 15th September 2021
It was resolved that the minutes of the previous meeting held 15th September 2021 be accepted as a true record, subject to removing "There did appear to be a lack of interest in the scheme", under 2021/88: Community Fibre Partnership.

2021/97 Elevated walkway leading to bridge on road to Bought Hill Farm
Northumberland National Park Authority had advised they had installed anti-slip on the boardwalk.

2021/98 To consider alternative use for parish bus stop and telephone kiosk
It was resolved an item would be drafted by J Morrison-Bell for Tasset Mailing, asking for suggestions for the use of the bus stop and telephone kiosk.

2021/99 Public Participation
There was no public participation.

2021/100 Financial Matters
2021/100/01 To consider the most recent financial accounts
The most recent financial accounts were accepted as a true record.

2021/100/02 To approve the following payments: C Miller September, October Salary - £316.11 Expenses - £24.24; HMRC, PAYE - £67.74; CM Commercial (NE) Ltd – grasscutting – 23/9/21 - £39.60; Orchard cut - £396.00

It was resolved to approve the payments.

2021/100/03 To consider projects the Parish Council could fund
Four quotations for the Jubilee book had been received, and would be considered under agenda item NO 2021/110.

2021/100/04 To consider budget and precept requirements 2022-2023
First draft of budget and precept requirements 2022-2023 indicated precept should be retained at the current level of £5000.

2021/101 Planning
2021/101/01 Planning applications received

- 2NP0086: Change of use from mixed use C1 (hotels and guesthouses) and C3 (dwelling houses into C3 (dwellinghouse) at Eals Lodge – no objections.
- 21NP00090: Land at Plot 5, Burnbank Farm – proposed construction of one new build dwelling with associated amenity space and vehicle parking – no objections.

2021/101/02 Approval of Planning permission received

- Crackin View, Lanehead, Tasset – Change of use of existing dwelling as a mixed use consisting of guesthouse and residential use and change of use of converted garage annexe for self-contained holiday let

2021/102 Orchard and Car Park

Orchard and car park looking good, with bottom part cut, as requested after previous meeting. There were proposals for donated blossom trees to be planted in the near future.

2021/103 Reports

A special meeting of Northumberland National Park Authority to discuss ongoing Zero Net Carbon had been held last week.

2021/104 Community Fibre Partnership

The self-funded scheme would entail each property having to contribute nearly £8,000. There is a government initiative, Project Gigabit for the hardest to reach areas, including Northumberland. Local telecoms providers would bid for contracts in their area, to install infrastructure in the ground. Telecoms providers and local authorities can submit their suggestions for Local Supplier Intervention Areas to the supplier mailbox. It was resolved to lobby the local MP, County Cllr and to submit a suggestion for the parish to be included.

2021/105 Highway Matters

Village Hall Committee were to look at further projects such as car bays and making the hall carbon neutral. The £1,000 grant from the Parish Council had not been required for the car park upgrade, and it was agreed this should be put to use on the above, with Clerk to confirm to the Hall Committee.

2021/106 To consider a County Council Governance Review of the Parish Council, to remove the division of the two wards, Tasset and Greystead

Nothing to report.

2021/107 To approve policy for Freemanship awards for the parish

It was resolved to approve the Freemanship policy.

After discussion, it was agreed a letter of thanks would be forwarded to a parishioner regarding the assistance provided to the community in the past 18 months during the Covid pandemic.

2021/108 Playlist for Life – free resources for people with dementia and their families

Playlist for life were an award-winning music and dementia charity who could provide free packs to share with people living with dementia or their carers.

2021/109 Northumberland County Council – Statement of Licensing Policy Consultation

Document reviewed on a four yearly cycle with no proposed amendments by the County Council. There were no issues which the Parish Council wished to comment on.

2021/110 To consider Queen's Platinum Celebrations June 2022

An article had been included in Tasset News looking for volunteers, with no person's coming forward. A Street Party had been suggested. There was national advice regarding the lighting of a beacon at 915pm on Thursday 2nd June 2021, which could be put at Rushend. Quotes had been received for a Jubilee Book, for 150 booklets, however a quote for 250 would be requested, and Malcolm Brodie contacted to ask if he would be prepared to edit the publication. A Jubilee event/barbecue at the orchard a possibility - G Liddle to contact Amateur Dramatics (in due course) and Village Hall Committee to ask if they would be prepared to be involved.

2021/111 Urgent Business/Items for next agenda

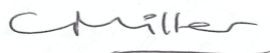
J Thompson concerned about sewage possibly being dumped into the watercourse. Clerk to contact Northumbrian Water with concerns regarding the Sewage Treatment Plant at Greenhaugh, to state parishioners had reported seepage of untreated sewage escaping from the unit and running into the Tasset Burn, which feeds into the River Tyne.

NOTE: Members are asked to notify the Clerk of other business they wish to be discussed before the start of the meeting. In doing so, the member concerned must state the special circumstances which they consider justify the matter being concerned as a matter of urgency.

No item raised in AOB may be discussed or resolved, but can be requested for inclusion on the next agenda.

2021/112 Date of Next Meeting –

The next meeting of Tasset and Greystead Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 19th January 2022 at 730pm.



Claire Miller, Parish Clerk

The meeting closed at 830pm