

Minutes of ordinary meeting of Tarset & Greystead Parish Council held at 730pm on Wednesday 16th November 2022 in Lanehead Village Hall for the purpose of transacting the business contained within this Agenda

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

2022/78 Apologies for Absence

D Capps, W Morrison-Bell, A Robinson

2022/79 Declaration of Members Interests

- J Morrison-Bell declared an interest in planning matters.
- G Liddle declared an interest in Planning Application NO: 22NP0065: Tarset House, Lanehead – proposed construction of garage with office/study above.

2022/80 Co-Option Vacancy

After consideration of applicants, it was resolved to co-opt Simon Coxon onto the Parish Council.

2022/81 Minutes of the previous meeting held 5th October 2022

It was resolved that the minutes of the previous meeting held 5th October 2022 be accepted as a true record.

2022/82 Public Participation

There was no public participation.

2022/83 Financial Matters

2022/83/01 To consider the most recent financial accounts

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

To approve the following payments: C Mowatt – grasscutting – 2/10/22 - £39.60; C Miller – September, October Salary (including increase payable from 1/4/22, further to NJC pay award year ending 31/3/23 received 2/11/22) - £423.88; expenses - £24.24

It was resolved to approve the payments.

2022/83/03 To consider budget and precept requirements 2023-2024

The first draft of budget and precept requirements 2023-2024 were considered and would be confirmed at the next Parish Council meeting. A figure of £500 would be added to the budget for the 2023 King Charles Coronation. Email to be circulated via Tarset News for suggestions to mark the coronation.

2022/84 Planning

2022/84/01 Planning applications received

No planning applications had been received

2022/84/02 Approval of Planning permission received

- 22NP0065: Tarset House, Lanehead – proposed construction of garage with office/study above
- 22NP0077: Greystead Old Church – approval of details reserved by Conditions No 4, 5, 6 & 7
- 22NP0067: Sheep Cottage, Lanehead – approval of details reserved by Condition No 3 of 21NP00025, erection of prefabricated wooden garage

2022/85 Orchard and Car Park

2022/85/01 To consider maintenance issues

A Murray to carry out site visit and determine exactly what work was required to the orchard fence. Bulb planting had been actioned.

2022/85/02 To receive update on possible professional tree report

D McCracken to meet tree inspector 27/11/22 who is to produce a report on the status of the current trees. It was agreed to ask C Mowatt if he could trim the bottom part/wild area of the orchard once more this year.

2022/86 Reports

There were no reports.

2022/87 Community Fibre Partnership

Parishioner had advised the following. "In 2020 BT were appointed by Ofcom to deliver the Universal Service Obligation (USO) scheme - a piece of government legislation that gives eligible UK addresses the right to request a 'decent' broadband connection. Further details can be found at: <https://www.bt.com/broadband/USO>. They are in the process of installing Ultra Fast broadband as far as the Comb.

Separately the Government backed Project Gigabit scheme (<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/project-gigabit-uk-gigabit-programme>) had awarded Go Fibre a contract to provide fibre broadband to premises in North Northumberland, although there doesn't appear to be any details of the properties which may be covered.

<https://www.ispreview.co.uk/index.php/2022/10/gofibre-win-north-northumberland-gigabit-broadband-rollout-contract.html>

There is a simple registration form on their website so it may be worth anyone interested to submit their details: <https://gofibre.co.uk/>

2022/88 Highway Matters

2022/88/01 Drainage issues between Lanehead and High Green

Maintenance issues remain outstanding. Clerk to re-contact County Council.

2022/88/02 To consider replacement road signs at Greenhaugh and review of all parish road signage

Resident comments regarding road signage in the parish had been received as follows:

1. Signage opposite West Burnbank for Black Middens Bastle and The Comb – could these be moved to the opposite side of the road, or the hedging cut back so that the signs are visible. Many of the guests coming to the Comb miss the signs entirely as they are very hard to see.
2. Lanehead road junction - the signage there is confusing for drivers, signage falls over and gets overgrown. It detracts from the view and atmosphere at that point, as well as the attention of drivers. Some of the signs are for business that should be easy enough to find without a handmade sign. For others, a totem pole would be easier to read.
3. Could Hill house and Old hall gate be added to signage at end of unnamed road at Lanehead.
4. Request for "Access only" signage in single track road leading from gatehouse to the Comb as there are no designated passing places beyond gleadlee. Older road signs could do with a wash as they are green and faded.

Parish Cllr D Capps had forwarded evidence of cluttered dirty and unclear signage; overgrown hedging obscuring signs and suggestion for "no through" signage leading to Thorneyburn as there is a locked Forestry Commission gate and the impression the road leads to Kielder.

It was resolved to forward photographic evidence and suggestions to County Council.

2022/89 To receive update on governance review, to remove the division of two wards

Results of governance review awaited.

2022/90 Northumberland County Council - Notice of Consultation to extend the duration of a Public Spaces Protection Order for the control of dogs

Northumberland County Council were consulting on the proposal to extend the duration of their Public Spaces Protection Order for the control of dogs, Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014, Part 4. They believe the PSPS should be extended for a further three years until 30/1/26 and it was resolved the Parish Council had no objection to these proposals.

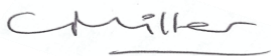
2022/91 Urgent Business/Items for next agenda

Infringement of road space had occurred at Bridge End to prevent parking outside of the property, stones had been placed on the roadside and bunting to the bridge. This is impeding vehicles pulling in to allow other vehicles to pass. G Liddle to take photographs and pass to Clerk for transmission to County Council.

2022/92 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of Tarset and Greystead Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 18th January at 730pm

The meeting closed at 8pm.



Claire Miller, Parish Clerk

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