

Minutes of ordinary meeting of Tarsset and Greystead Parish Council held at 730pm prompt in the Village hall, Lanehead, Tarsset, Northumberland, on Wednesday 15th November 2017

THOSE PRESENT J Morrison-Bell, (Chairman), S Walton, M Walton, D McCracken, G Liddle

IN ATTENDANCE C Miller (Clerk),

1. CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS

Welcome given to all.

2. APOLOGIES

G Armstrong, T Kathiravel, R Ward

3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

There were no Declaration of Interests.

4. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

D McCracken proposed and J Morrison-Bell seconded that the minutes of the previous meeting held on Wednesday 18th October 2017 be accepted as a true record, all in agreement.

5. MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No public participation.

7. HIGHWAY MATTERS

Proposals and confirmation for 20mph speed limit at Greenhaugh received.

8. FINANCIAL MATTERS

- a) The most recent financial accounts were accepted as a true record.
- b) The following invoices were authorised for payment: C Miller October Salary, £285.27 & November Expenses £21.60 (570).
- c) There was no future expenditure to authorise
- d) Grant applications had been received as follows: Community Action Northumberland – no grant given; Core Music Hexham – S Walton declared an interest, no grant given; Tynedale Hospice at Home – D McCracken proposed £100, J Morrison-Bell seconded, all in agreement
- e) Precept 2018-2019 to be confirmed at next meeting.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

- Northumberland County Council – consultation on Northumberland Area Special Education Needs School Place Planning Strategy – G Liddle to look at
- Northumberland County Council – NHS services – to be discussed under Healthcare Issues
- CPRE – newsletter
- NALC – interactive speed signage – not required for this parish
- Northumberland County Council – Bellingham area local services liaison meeting 19/12/17 10am – nobody wishing to attend

10. PLANNING

- a) No planning applications had been received, a future plan would involve emergency services mast.
- b) No approval of planning applications had been received.
- c) No update on appeal regarding planning approval conditions stipulated for Burnbank Farm, five two storey detached dwellings

11. REINTRODUCTION OF LYNX TO KIELDER

Lynx had been reported as escaping in the South. Proposals would only be carried out in the strictest possible directives which it didn't envisage the organisation would meet, and Michael Gove had been asked to rethink the project.

12. ORCHARD

Parishioner who was to retire would be prepared to carry out maintenance around the village and bottom part of orchard, with the idea for debris to decompose, and would also cut grass around the car park. Expenses would be the only cost to the Parish Council. As far as tree maintenance is concerned, action to be taken, and there would be cost for trees to the Parish Council. D McCracken had placed ten hogs on the land to alleviate grass cutting. D McCracken proposed officially thanking volunteer for his offer, who J Morrison-Bell usually sees on a daily basis. County Council had put up new fence on bridge, taken old fence off and left debris lying.

13. REPORTS

J Morrison-Bell had attended Finance and Audit Committee of Northumberland National Park yesterday and Planning Meeting today, with Planning meeting concentrating almost entirely on the four Greystone applications – observatory and bunkhouse application had been refused, however general feeling from Planning Officers being application will go to appeal. Other three applications all approved, most contentious being moving of bothies down the field, however capacity had been reduced with one bothy catering for two person's and one bothy catering for four persons. Conditions were placed on other two plans, which the Parish Council had not objected to.

14. REVIEW OF COUNCIL DOCUMENTS

Parish Council Standing Orders, Risk Assessment and Asset Register had been circulated to all and were agreed sufficient for the present needs of Tasset and Greystead Parish Council. Use of bus shelter discussed, with the impression it was not used at all.

15. HEALTHCARE ISSUES

Reply had been received from Northumberland County Council with explanation of concerns regarding home help services. Guy Opperman MP had acknowledged receipt but had noted Vanessa Bainbridge of Healthcare NHS Trust, who had been copied into the letter was best placed to address the points. Services are becoming less and less in rural areas through financial reasons, due to lack of government services, private agencies are brought in, who then have problems running services. Clerk to recontact G Opperman if no further correspondence received from him.

16. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

17. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of Tasset and Greystead Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 20th December 2017 at 730pm in Lanehead Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 820pm