

Minutes of Tarset and Greystead Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 20th April 2016 commencing 730pm in the Village hall, Lanehead, Tarset, Northumberland

PRESENT: Cllrs D McCracken (Chair), R Ward and J Morrison-Bell

IN ATTENDANCE: C Miller, (Clerk), P Hoggin, M Nixon, D Watkins, A Munro (Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group)

1. CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS

Chair welcomed Claire Miller, incoming clerk to the meeting.

2. APOLOGIES

Cllr S Walton (Vice Chair), M Walton

3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None.

4. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting held on Wednesday 16th March 2015 were agreed as a true record.

5. MATTERS ARISING

None.

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

7. HIGHWAY MATTERS

a) **Consultation regarding timber extraction from Highgreen:** Ongoing.

b) **Lanehead signage update:** Signage placed, however it had caused concern to one parishioner who had been upset with the location, and which had subsequently been altered by Neil Snowdon, NCC.

c) **Lampost in Lanehead:** Still out of action, despite repeated requests to NCC to action.

d) **Greenhaugh traffic calming:** Scheme was to be carried out through County Cllr fund, Clerk to chase up with J Riddle, NCC.

e) **Kielder sports signage at Lanehead junction and other points in the parish** It was agreed to write formally to F Parker at Hollybush Inn to state the signage too big and not legal. Dog waste bin at Greenhaugh had been placed too close to actual map, Cllr MacCracken to move slightly back.

8. FINANCIAL MATTERS: Members were asked:

a) To consider the most recent financial accounts. Accepted.

b) It was agreed to authorise payments for the following: 1. C Miller, March Salary £55.28 (527) and expenses £21.60 (528). PAYE (13.60 (quarterly DD)

c) Grant applications under Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972: Sport Tynedale - £50 donation to be given (529).

d) To authorise any future expenditure: none.

e) BDO Annual Accounts 2015-2016 – audit papers to be passed to internal auditor.

f) Additional bank signatory – Cllrs Morrison-Bell and Ward to complete signatory forms.

9. CORRESPONDENCE Cllr McCracken reported on the correspondence received and sent during the past month.

- Citizens Advice Bureau – notice of merger.

- Northumberland National Park Authority: Development Management Weekly List ended 3/4/16

- Northumberland Community Development Network: Newsletter
- NALC eNews April 2016 Issue NO 49 and Local Council's records in Northumberland
- Northumberland Can newsletter
- BDO Local Council Spring Briefing
- NCC – Community Chest Funding – funding not available to Parish Council's, however Clerk to write report for display on web-site.

10. PLANNING

- a) To receive planning applications – Flittinford Bothy – roof replacement – not within this parish.

11. REPORTS

None. Received.

12. LITTER PICK AND SKIP HIRE

Successful litter pick carried out, however no skip hired due to Brampton Skip Hire no longer servicing this area and excessive prices quoted from alternative companies, however Northumberland County Council had organised clearance of litter picked. Cllr MacCracken gave thanks to all those who took part in the litter pick.

13. UPDATE FROM NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP

As it is sub judice, no members of the public were permitted for this agenda item. Project commenced four years ago, with rationale to deliver what the community wanted, with 67% of parishioners giving their views, and specialists commissioned. Draft copy, and further consultation carried out, with the vast majority of parishioners in support, prior to submission copy June 2015 which was then put to formal consultation process, and subsequently adverse comments received with report issued by examiner. Holding statement to be placed on County Council web-site and further meeting to be held with interested parties. Cllr D MacCracken to contact Northumberland National Park, and thanked the Steering Group members for their hard work on this project.

14. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

A parishioner from Tarsset had shown interest in the vacancy, however it would firstly need advertised, and if ten or more electors made request, a by-election would occur - notices to be placed in noticeboard and on web-site.

15. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of Tarsset and Greystead Parish Council will be the AGM to be held on Wednesday 18th May 2016 at 7pm, followed by the ordinary meeting at 7.30pm.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THESE MINUTES ARE DRAFT UNTIL APPROVED AT THE NEXT MEETING