

Minutes of an ordinary meeting of Tarset and Greystead Parish Council held at 730pm prompt in the Village hall, Lanehead, Tarset, Northumberland, on Wednesday 16th November 2016

Those Present: J Morrison Bell (Chairman), D McCracken, S Walton, R Ward, M Walton,

In Attendance: C Miller (Clerk),

1. CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS

Welcome given to all.

2. APOLOGIES

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3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

M Walton declared an interest in Tree Preservation Order planning application.

4. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Correspondence/report had been received from Tony Gates, NNPA, who confirmed attendance at a future meeting with County Council and Parish Council. D McCracken prepared to attend such a meeting and it was also agreed to invite a member of the Steering Group (M Walton declared an interest). Clerk to reply to Tony Gates thanking him and confirming a meeting to discuss the possibility of amendments agreeable to all parties, and to invite Preston or his nominated representative.

5. VACANCY

With six months until May 2017 four yearly elections, no further by election notices required to be displayed, although a member could be co-opted. However, it was agreed to carry on as present until all Cllrs are up for re-election May 2017.

6. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed as a true record, further to amendment referring to discussion about phone box – Kate Purdy's objections were relating to Lanehead box.

7. MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

8. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No public participation

9. HIGHWAY MATTERS

a) **Greenhaugh traffic calming/Burnmouth Bridge:** County Cllr J Riddle and Clerk had reported urgent repair to County Council, and Clerk to re report to NCC. On a positive note, Sunday site road had received extensive maintenance works. Ditching at Redheugh would be welcomed, with problems caused by vehicles involved with electricity upgrades. Redmire Bridge to be closed for seven days due to County Council scheme relating to arch refurbishments within the county, and it was agreed diversion would not be too problematic – Clerk to confirm agreement with NCC.

b) **Possibility of a parish sign:** No progress – to be removed from agenda.

c) **Proposed closure of public telephone box, Greenhaugh/Lanehead:** NNPA had submitted response to British Telecom agreeing with PC comments, that it is imperative boxes in these rural areas remain open due to poor mobile signal coverage.

10. FINANCIAL MATTERS

- a) The most recent financial accounts were accepted. First draft budget circulated regarding precept 2017/18, however with by election costs not confirmed, second draft budget to be circulated for December meeting.
- b) To authorise invoices for payment: C Miller October Salary, £284.98 (544) & November Expenses, £21.60 (545)
- c) Grant applications under Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972e: none received.
- d) To authorise any future expenditure: Fee for by election administrative tasks imminent.

11. CORRESPONDENCE

- Northumberland County Council – Redmire Bridge – discussed earlier
- Northumberland National Park Authority – discussed earlier
- Vera Baird – notice of meeting to discuss policing priorities – 23/11/16 530-6pm, County Hall

12. PLANNING

- a) To receive planning applications: Tree Preservation Order, Tyne View, Lanehead, NE48 1NT – involving a sycamore 2.5metres from wall – due to damage this tree could cause to the property, it was agreed to object stating we would expect NNPA to be responsible should it cause any damage to the property.
- b) To receive approval of the following planning applications: No approvals received

13. REPORTS

D McCracken gave apologies for not attending Kielder Enterprise meeting; M Walton had attended meeting regarding lynx – public funding could be sought for visitors centre.

14. REVIEW OF COUNCIL DOCUMENTS

To review current Standing Orders – NALC current standards; Risk Assessments and Asset Register – all documents agreed as acceptable for the current requirements of the Parish Council.

15. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

16. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of Tarncliffe and Greystead Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 21st December 2016 at 730pm.

The meeting closed at 815pm