

Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Parish Council held at 730pm prompt in the Village hall, Lanehead, Tarsset, Northumberland, on Wednesday 19th April 2017

Those Present: J Morrison-Bell (Chairman), S Walton, M Walton, T Kathiravel

In Attendance: C Miller (Clerk)

1. CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS

No remarks necessary.

2. APOLOGIES

R Ward, D McCracken

3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

There were no Declaration of Interests.

4. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting held on Wednesday 15th March 2017 which had been circulated were agreed as a true record.

5. MATTERS ARISING

- Forestry Commission had confirmed changes to support systems for onshore wind had significantly slowed progress on the Comb/Byrness scheme, with no detailed scheme under consideration at present.
- County Council had replied regarding the pilot scheme of only advertising public notices in the Northumberland Gazette, which is to be evaluated after the County Council Elections in May and discussed with the new administration.

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

7. HIGHWAY MATTERS

- a) Greenhaugh traffic calming/Burnmouth Bridge: Request for slow signage had been referred to County Hall and they had confirmed it had been added to Local Transport Plan requests. Westburn Bank to Sidwood increasing in traffic, and signage stating single track road or similar would be beneficial. Bridge work scheduled for 15th May 2017.

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 March Salary, £275.78.18 & April Expenses, £21.60 (58).
- c) No grant applications under Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972e had been received.
- d) There was no future expenditure to authorise.
- e) Audit of Accounts year ending 31/3/17: to discuss and approve Annual Governance Statement and Accounting Statements year ending 31/3/17. **Section 1 Annual Governance Statement:** All points agreed with; **Section 2 Statement and Accounting Statements year ending 31/3/17:** Figures agreed as a true record and document accepted.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

- Kielder Water and Forest Park – notice of free car parking at Kielder Water and Forest Park for local people. Information to be displayed on web-site.

10. PLANNING

- a) Planning applications had been received for the following: 17/00741/FUL: Kennel Club WAIT: Proposed new general purpose agricultural building, Emblehope Farm Tarsset; Retrospective – no objections – 17NP0034: Construction of wood pellet storage silo at Thorneyburn Lodge, Tarsset – no objections; 17NP0014, conversion of existing barn into holiday let, Knoppingsholme Farm – M Walton declared an interest and temporarily left the meeting - no objections, but appears to be more of a new build on existing footprint, rather than a conversion, clerk to make comment.
- b) No approval of planning application had been received.
- c) Update on appeal regarding planning approval conditions stipulated for Burnbank Farm, five two storey detached dwellings. Appeal regarding complete planting plan had been requested, with hedge details submitted and request plan be done incrementally as sites purchased; contamination report also requested as in periphery of Blacksmith's Shop, however map had been incorrect; and there had been no case found to remove permitted development rights.

11. REPORTS

Sill opening imminent.

12. ANNUAL LITTER PICK

It was agreed to state there is no organised event this year, but encourage people to pick up litter on a regular basis and publicise this in Tarsset News/Tarsset Mailing, and notice to also be placed in public places for tourists; on a related matter, stickers stating no glass could be purchased, as there are problems with visitors dumping products that cannot be recycled. Dog mess at Sidwood problematic.

13. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Road side trees, if dealt with when small, prevent greater problems in the future, and chipping machine could be engaged to nip problems in the bud, possible costs to be requested.

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

he next meeting of Tarsset and Greystead Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 17th May 2017 at 730pm.

The meeting closed at 820pm.