



Chairman: Sarah Crone

Parish Clerk: Iris Leadbitter

Minutes of Birtley Parish Council meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2023

8pm at Birtley Village Hall

Present:

Sarah Crone, David Burn, Bill White, Paul Andrews, Ann Lowes

Declaration of interest: None

Update from the previous meeting

Sarah Crone (Chairman) approved the minutes from the previous meeting

B4RN

A village resident advised the funding has not yet been finalised

An employee has been recruited to manage the installation

### Roads

No plans in the local transport plan for the Birtley to Wark road to be improved in the 2023 -24 budget

Tar spraying to go ahead between May & July 2023 in the local area

Clerk asked by a member of the PC to investigate why a traffic count is in place at Threepwood Hill

Nick Morphet advised the gully truck that operates on a 32month cycle is to be in the Humshaugh ward in the coming months

Clerk asked by a PC member to enquire when the road sweeper will next be in Birtley

### Village Hall

Paul Andrew advised a cheque has been banked from the resilience committee of Northern Electric which will finance the gas powered generator and other equipment required for its operation

It was suggested a procurement committee be set up David Burn, Sarah Crone & Paul Andrew offered to join the committee

Paul Andrew advised that consent had been given from the Duke of Northumberland for the installation to go ahead

The new access ramp to the hall to enable mobility scooters access has been installed the handrail been ordered

The committee has asked Peter Milburn to quote for the cost of a new gate for the entrance of the play park

It was suggested the cost and installation be paid 50 -50 by the Parish Council and the Town hall committee

David Burn advised a very enjoyable Coronation celebration was held

Paul Andrew confirmed he had uploaded photographs from the event to the NCC archive

### St Giles Church

David Burn advised no updates currently

### Finance

The committee were advised of expenses during the last 3 months

### A.O.B.

Nick Morphet advised he would forward a copy of his latest update for the area which could be placed on the village notice board

On the 13<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm at Humshaugh village hall Nick Morphet will be giving a water quality presentation to discuss the sewage pollution and water quality for the area

Humshaugh parish council have advised they are keen to encourage any members of the parish to attend the presentation which will be close to the beginning of the meeting so visitors would not have to sit through the full meeting

The meeting closed at 9.30pm

Date of next meeting 8<sup>th</sup> August 2023