**Heddon on the Wall Parish Council**

Minutes of the meeting of Heddon on the Wall Parish Council

On **Wednesday 14th June 2017 @ 7.00pm** in Heddon Library

*.*Louise Pringle

Clerk to the Council

Presentation by Close House regarding PGA golf traffic plan – This item will now be on the agenda for July.

# AGENDA

1. **PRESENT & APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE -** Present **:** Mrs Gardner-Medwin (chair), Mr Adams,, Mr Armstrong, Mr Young, Mrs Thompson, Mr Stewart, Mr Pyle, Mr Avery, Councillor Jackson, Clerk (Mrs Pringle). Apologies Mrs. Cruickshank.
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST -** None
3. **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 10th May 2017 and Electors Meeting –** Both minutes were authorised and signed off. There was also an amendment to the minutes from May 2016 which was also approved and signed off.
4. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

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| **Owner** | **Action** | **Status** |
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| I Armstrong | Notice in June Gossip re butterfly garden | **Completed** |
| L Pringle | Standing Orders section 65 check with NALC | **Ongoing** |
| K Pearson | To ensure all business centre rents are paid monthly. | **Completed** |
| L Pringle | Arrange new signatories for bank account | **Ongoing** |
| L Pringle | Send off audit paperwork | **Completed** |
| I Armstrong | Speak to resident re grass cutting Butterfly Garden | **Completed** |
| L Pringle | Arrange for electricity connection sports field | **Ongoing** |
| A Gardner-Medwin | Ask County to authorise position Planning and orientation boards | **Completed** |
| L Pringle | Check planning for wooden building Rudchester crossroads. | **Completed** |
| L Pringle | Make planning comments | **Completed** |

Butterfly Garden – it was stated that the garden now needs professional cutting as it is so over grown. Seven people have volunteered to help with the butterfly garden which is wonderful and work will be starting soon.

1. **COUNTY COUNCIL UPDATE –** Items promised within the election campaign have now started with County Hall now staying in Morpeth and options identified for the Ashington site. New area Council meetings have started taking place where local planning issues and highways issues can be dealt with and local input can develop as the year goes on. The green and clean team that deals with local cleanliness will be getting smaller areas. Active Northumberland are putting in place a business plan for the forthcoming year and the local school situation will be assessed.
2. **FINANCE –** the financial records were approved and signed off.

Signing of documentation for the co-op bank changes, documents were given out and need to be in by the end of next week.

Allotment payments all in

Success at the swings/covering under see saw – it was agreed to get a price for an alternative covering for under the seesaw in the welfare field as the chippings were proving very expensive.

1. **PLANNING**

**Applications**

17/01502/LBC | Listed building consent for repairs to be carried out to the cross and perimeter wall where stones are becoming loose and dangerous due to degradation of the mortar joints. The work required is to repair this with lime mortar. | War Memorial Hexham Road Heddon-On-The-Wall Northumberland NE15 0BG

17/01718/FUL | Demolition of an existing temporary garage structure and erection of a single story side and rear extension to existing semi-detached bungalow. | 16 Hexham Road Heddon On The Wall Newcastle Upon Tyne Northumberland NE15 0EY

17/01868/FUL | Orangery extension to rear of property | 30 Aquila Drive Heddon-On-The-Wall NE15 0BS

17/01952/LBC | Listed Building Consent: Change of use from cricket pavilion to provide bedroom accommodation for Close House Golf Resort within the curtilage of a Listed Building | Former Cricket Pavilion Close House Mansion Close House Estate Heddon-On-The-Wall NE15 0HT

**Applications Granted**

16/02482/OUT Outline Planning for up to 6 dwellings, Heddon Mill Farm NE15 0JR

17/00236/FUL change of existing planning Holmeside, Birks Road

17/01078/LBC refurbishment of lodge, Close House

17/01077/FUL refurbishment of lodge, Close House

1. **AIRPORT**

Written update from airport – The update was discussed. Several people were not happy that it was accurate, with a resident from Killiebriggs stating that one morning 47 planes passed over his house and in his recent update from the airport they told him that some planes were not using the automated flight plan and setting their own plans manually. In an update from the consultative committee they stated that there were two problems one with planes not using the gap and one with them turning west too soon before getting to the end of the gap. This brings them over the South of the village. The airport staff are working on both problems.

It was stated that a phone app called Flight Aware could be installed on mobile phones and when pointed at the offending plane will plot its exact course.

Summary of resident’s comments – The Parish Council have received complaints from seven different people which is a lot for one village issue and for those who have written there must be lots more who have not but are still unhappy about the issue. It was decided that instead of the forthcoming airport presentation as a part of the next Parish Council Meeting more time could be given to this issue in a separate public meeting. This will be organised over the next four weeks. The majority of complainants were from Heddon Banks, Antonine Walk and Killiebriggs which agreed with the airport’s view of the problem.

Councillor Jackson will be contacting the airport to help with the campaign.

1. **SPORTS FIELD CHANGING ROOMS**

Progress report – The field is being used at the moment for training by Walbottle juniors’ team. The field carries on being the home field for Heddon St. Andrews football team.

Fencing is required for the west side of the field to allow privacy to the private house there.

Authorisation for internal works Sports Field – the quotes from the three builders were reviewed. As all were very similar in price it was unanimously decided accept the quote from Apparo as all items and prices were set out clearly for each task which will enable good management of the project.

1. **RESIDENTS MEETING POINTS**

Weeds/walkway Remus to Aquila – weeds have been reported twice to NCC and the walkway has also been reported.

Speeding in the village – flashing signs, 20mph limit, crossings Hexham Road/Towne Gate – Councillor Jackson to investigate the possibility of a pedestrian crossing for Hexham Road. The county council have confirmed they are putting in a 20mph speed limit for the school but not exactly where that will cover. Flashing signs - it was stated that signs with a speed indicator are more effective.

School building works – Builders compliance, it was agreed to check with the resident if this had improved after the council had made a complaint.

Public phone sign – To be removed

Bus shelter seat – it was agreed to go ahead with the seat using marmax recycled plastic boards on a wooden frame.

Graffitti and rubbish tipping common – it was decided to check the extent of the graffiti and report back at the next meeting and to put an article in the gossip regarding tipping garden waste on the common.

Cycle tracks in lower common – This is not illegal and the ground does not belong to the PC it was decided to continue reporting incidents to the land owners and monitoring anything which may be dangerous.

Parking notice Taberna Close – It was decided not to put up a notice until the County Council came back with their recommendations.

1. **HADRIANS WALL SIGNS**

Progress report – tourist information signs are now up and working, with lots of people looking at them.

Gift of paving stones – It was agreed to accept the gift of paving stones to go around the boards.

1. **COMMUNITY SPEED WATCH**

Progress report – this is now active, so we should get some useful info to help our case for the traffic calming measures.

1. **CORRESPONDENCE**
2. Post: Donation Tynedale Hospice – it was agreed to give a donation of £30
3. Email: Residents Airport (4) see section 8.
4. Email: Quads off roading beside allotments – it was agreed to monitor the situation but there is a right of vehicular access on the Kings Highway.
5. Phone: Lime tree Welfare Field – it was agreed to contact the tree surgeon for a price for thinning this tree.
6. Verbal: Chestnut tree Taberna Close – When tree surgeon comes to cut the dangerous limb it was decided to get his opinion on this tree.
7. Email: Butterfly volunteers – see section 4
8. Email: East Tynedale Forum funding – it was agreed to carry on with the forum for this year and reassess its viability next year.

The meeting closed at 20.30



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| L Pringle | Price for bus shelter seat |  |
| I Armstrong | Organise cutting for Butterfly Garden and volunteers |  |
| L Pringle | Standing Orders section 65 check with NALC | **Ongoing** |
| K Pearson | Price for covering under seesaw. |  |
| L Pringle | Arrange new signatories for bank account | **Ongoing** |
| L Pringle | Arrange removal of two tyre swings |  |
| R Young | Price for fencing – sports field |  |
| L Pringle | Arrange for electricity connection sports field | **Ongoing** |
| P Jackson | Contact the airport regarding residents issues |  |
| P Jackson | To investigate possibility of pedestrian crossing |  |
| P Jackson | To confirm streets for 20mph speed limit |  |
| P Jackson | To organise removal of the public phone sign |  |
| P Jackson | Contact highways regarding parking Taberna Close |  |
| A Gardner Medwin | Organise paving stones for around info boards |  |
| L Pringle | Organise airport meeting |  |
| L Pringle | Check extent of graffiti in the quarry |  |
| L Pringle | To check school compliance with resident |  |
| L Pringle | To speak to the tree surgeon re the lime tree in the welfare field and the chestnut Taberna Close |  |
| A Gardner Medwin | Gossip article tipping on common |  |