

# Heddon on the Wall Parish Council

Heddon Parish Council - Here to maintain and improve our village for all

## AGENDA

Minutes of the meeting of Heddon on the Wall Parish Council  
Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2021 @ 19.00 by Internet Conference Call \*

1. **PRESENT & APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** - Mr Edwards (Chair), Mr Adams, Mrs Cruickshank, Mrs Irving Munro, Mr Keller, Mr Knox, Mr Lillico, Mr Young. Clerk (Mrs Pringle). Apologies Mr Avery, Councillor Jackson. A Resident also joined the call.  
The chair opened the call by wishing all a Happy New Year and offering congratulations to Mr Knox who recently got married.
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – Mr Paul Edwards – Knott Memorial Hall, Mr Adams and Mr Young Selman Park.
3. **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON Wednesday 09<sup>th</sup> December 2020** Minutes were agreed and signed off -
4. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES (if not covered elsewhere)** None
5. **MAINTAINING OUR VILLAGE FOR ALL**  
**Prices Memorial Park/Chare Bank path.** Update on works, - No update as NCC have not got back to the Parish Council  
**MUGA tender-documents** attached to the email for consideration. It was unanimously decided that the Council should go ahead with re-surfacing the MUGA. A discussion was had around the four MUGA submissions and it was decided to go with the one from DCM services subject to some finetuning of the contract, 10 year guarantee on the surface and painting of the lines. Funding to be discussed at the next meeting.  
**Bench Station Road** – RY to inspect seat  
**Tree costs** Charebank nature reserve and Memorial Park – for decision. It was decided to go ahead with the two trees in the Memorial park and to leave the Ash on Chare Bank until it comes into leaf again. LP to contact Tree surgeon.  
**Butterfly Garden.** – It was agreed to leave this to spring time.
6. **IMPROVING OUR VILLAGE FOR ALL**  
**PJ to progress road markings** at bus stop Hexham Road, passing places East Heddon Road, and permission to mount baskets on lamp posts. LP confirmed that we have heard nothing from NCC and LP will escalate before the end of January.  
**Facebook update** – Page has now gone live the PC was able to look at it and were very happy with the result. The Parish council would like to thank Mr Curtis for the permission to use his lovely photos. LP to contact Heddon Matters to inform them. LIM to contact local businesses to see if they would like to post anything.  
**Heddon PC website** - After viewing a mock-up of the new Spanglefish website, It was agreed to migrate the website to the new Spanglefish platform at a cost of £75 per anum instead of £30, the gain in modernity and ease of use were the reasons for this.  
**Heddon Village survey update** – It was agreed to send off the latest Survey draft two to CAN. It was felt that the process had been robust and everyone was happy with the questions LP to action.

## 7. **WORKING WITH OUR RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION**

It was agreed to thank the residents association with the great job they have been doing regarding snow clearing over the last week or so. LP to action.

## 8. **PLANNING**

### **APPLICATIONS**

20/03975/FUL – 17 Killiebriggs side extn and bedroom over garage – Circulated.

20/03389/FUL Land South Of Centurion Way Centurion Way Heddon-On-The-Wall NE15 0BY. Circulated, closure for comments 12/01/21 – PC objection made.

### **APPLICATIONS GRANTED OR DENIED**

20/03338/FUL – 32 Killiebriggs, balcony to front – Circulated, granted

## 9. **FINANCE AND ASSETS**

**Sign off December/January** – all bills and payments agreed.

**Library exterior cleaning** – The window cleaner who is going to clean the fascia board stated that if he did so paint may flake off. The PC agreed to go ahead then if it needed painting prices would be sought later on.

**Lockdown implications Library and Selman Park** – for discussion. It was decided that as the tenants of the office wished to remain in the library building during lock down there were no savings in utilities to pass on to them. The library itself remains closed. Regarding Selman Park the clerk advised the council that this time the government guidelines were clear and the Park should be closed. The Parish Council noted this advice, however with regard to the 1 to 1 personal training currently being undertaken at Selman Park the Parish Council were of the view that this was allowable, despite the advice offered by the clerk, and PE agreed to check the specific requirements in this regard with NCC and other sources.

**Selman Park Changing Rooms Government Grant** – Given the facilities at Selman Park are closed. It was decided to go ahead and try to claim this grant. LP to action

## 10. **ELECTION OVERVIEW**

For election 6<sup>th</sup> May 2021,

The clerk gave a very basic overview of what happens in elections. Prospective Councillors both existing Councillors and new councillors fill in nomination forms which have to be handed in in-person to offices in Hexham or Morpeth in between 29/03/2021 and 08/04/2021. Then we will know if an election is necessary or not and election will occur if there are more nominations than places on the council. The new electoral roll has been sought. Election costs have not yet been confirmed. The state of the lock down may yet vary the rules or change the date of the election.

## 11. **CORRESPONDENCE**

Email – ex residents wishing to get married at the church – Tel numbers sent.

Email – NALC training courses – circulated LIM and LP attending the social media course.

Letter – Selman Park Grant – circulated with agenda- see section 9.

## 12. **COUNTY COUNCIL UPDATE - None**

## 13. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

