

Heddon on the Wall Parish Council

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

MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of Heddon on the Wall Parish Council
Wednesday 10th February 2021 @ 19.00 by Internet Conference Call *

1. **PRESENT & APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** - Mr Edwards (Chair), Mr Adams, Mrs Cruickshank, Mrs Irving Munro, Mr Knox, Mr Lillico, Mr Young. Clerk (Mrs Pringle). Apologies Mr Avery, Councillor Jackson.
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 13th January 2020** – Minutes were agreed and signed off
4. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES (if not covered elsewhere)**
5. **MAINTAINING OUR VILLAGE FOR ALL**
Prices Memorial Park/Chare Bank path.- No further info LP to contact the County Council and copy in PE
Arrangements for Memorial Park walk round. – It was decided to leave this for several months until the weather is better.
Bench Station Road – David to look at when weather is better.
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 has been in contact with the County council and the basket issue has now started to move forward.
MUGA approval with 5 year guarantee, works to commence at a date to be agreed with DCM. It was agreed unanimously to carry on with this as per the original proposal with the 5 year guarantee which is stated as industry standard. LP to contact DCM to confirm and get start date.
Key workers tree planting - 5th July NHS and frontline workers day for discussion. 5th July would be a good day to plant a tree providing the epidemic is at an end. Re table for April
Facebook update – LP AND LIM attended a NALC training course regarding Council use of social media. It was clear that a policy of how it is to be used is needed and it was decided to put that in place before carrying on with inviting the local businesses to come online.
Heddon PC website. – We are looking to migrate to the new Spanglefish site by the end of February. LP to confirm content before go live. A warm thanks was given to Lesley and Andrew Irving Munroe for all their hard work in getting both this and the social media platform online.
Heddon Village survey covering letter. The letter was unanimously agreed by the council and a closing date was set of 30th April 2021. LP to send online survey to RA for agreement.
7. **WORKING WITH OUR RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION**
8. **PLANNING**

APPLICATIONS

APPLICATIONS GRANTED OR DENIED

9. FINANCE AND ASSETS

Finance Sign off January/February – All bills and payments agreed

Budget monitor Q3 – Circulated and agreed, the only problem in payment by one of the library tenants has now been rectified.

Library exterior cleaning – will be a couple of months yet due to the weather.

Lockdown implications Selman Park – PE reported that his contact had stated that 1:1 training on the site should be OK. The PC could not be at risk as were not arranging events and the site could still be deemed closed. Following discussion where a final decision was not reached, it was agreed that PE would confirm either way with Northumberland County Council especially in view of the grant claim. *** (see close of minutes for update)*

Selman Park Grant – update. This has been applied for.

Financing MUGA improvements – this is deferred until confirmation of possible dates can be given.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

Email – Citizens advice, Donation request. Agreed £30

Email - Resident funding Selman Park and payments from people already using it. Circulated and replied. This will be discussed at the next meeting as the required info was not sent out...

Email – Resident Allotments – tree growing too large, circulated and reported NCC

Email – Resident – state of pavement from houses along Hexham Road in the direction of Throckley to the bus stop in Heddon. Circulated and reported NCC

Email – Resident- wildlife concerns re verge tidying Hexham Road- Circulated and replied

Email – Resident – flooding Birks Road, reported NCC, circulated and replied.

Email – Dog issues two residents' complaints – circulated and replied.

Email – Memorial Park two residents' complaints, circulated and replied

Email – Safe council – H&S subscription - Circulated

Email – Neighbourhood Plan - Circulated

Email – NCC private sector housing consultation - Circulated

Email – Airport update on flight restrictions – Circulated

Email – Christmas decorations – for info only - Circulated

11. COUNTY COUNCIL UPDATE

No update given

12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Grit bins – a grit bin has been ordered for the end of Campus Martius however one of the councillors has requested that it be in a different place. It was decided to leave this until there was some sign of the bin coming as NCC had stated that they are currently too busy to install new bins.

NALC and SLCC advice regarding local councils. This has been circulated to all the councillors and is worth a read.

Tree Stumps – With the work on the B6528 the tree surgeon is advising to take out some of the reachable stumps as they may regrow. It was decided to wait and see what happened with this and should it be an issue it can be done at a later date.

Agenda changes – The chair felt that he would like to give other councillors a chance to change the agenda format should they wish to and give them a chance to chair the meeting. There were no objections but this was not finalised.

Meeting closed 20.05

*** (In light of the discussion and subsequent to the meeting 1:1 training has stopped completely)*

*Any members of the press or public wishing to attend either or both meetings please contact the clerk on heddonpc@gmail.com or 01661 854583 at least 24 hours before the call for sign in details

Expenditure			Income		
24/01/2021	Nland trees and ldscps - trees mempa	1373 £ 450.00	04/04/2021	rental income (3)	1373 £ 300.00
10/02/2021	SLCC Membership	1373 £ 130.00	04/04/2021	Rental income 4	1373 £ 290.00
10/02/2021	Social media training NALC (L Pringle	1373 £ 10.00			
15/02/2021	NCC payroll (Jan 2021)	1373 £ 1,033.26			
25/02/2021	NCC additional grass cutting	1373 £ 828.67			
10/02/2021	ADT call out	1373 £ 183.17			
10/02/2021	All clean Windows	1373 £ 32.00			
10/02/2021	Cleaning (H. clark)	1373 £ 60.00			
	Crown gas	1373 £ 105.72			
	ADT Intruder Alarm	1373 £ 57.13			
	ADT Fire Alarm	1373 £ 14.08			
	24/7 Bus Supp	1373 £ 24.00			
	SSL (electric)	1373 £ 40.11			
	scottish power (SF)	1373 £ 16.00			
	Plusnet	1373 £ 26.39			
	Plusnet	1373 £ 34.09			
14/01/2021	Library tap and boiler (A Beaton)	1373 £ 25.00			