

# 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  
Tuesday 19th October 2021 @ 19.00 at Heddon Library

This meeting was originally called for October 13<sup>th</sup> but was called off on the day as the council would not have been quorate then rescheduled as above.

A resident attended with an interest in the Memorial Park

1. **PRESENT & APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** – Mr Edwards (chair), Mrs Cruickshank, Mrs Dryden, Mrs Irving Munro, Mrs Keller, Mr Lillico, Clerk (Mrs Pringle). Apologies accepted from Mr Adams. The chair informed the council that he had received the resignation of Councillor Andrew Knox as work commitments were not allowing him to give all the time he needed to the council. The councillors were unanimous in their thanks for Andrew's service and all the things he had done.
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – Mr Edwards - Knott Memorial Hall. Mrs Keller - Karbon Homes
3. **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 8<sup>th</sup> September 2021** – agreed and authorised
4. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES (if not covered elsewhere)**
5. **MAINTAINING OUR VILLAGE FOR ALL**  
 Memorial Park walk around update – walk around was held with the two remaining volunteers to share ideas for the park going forward. Amongst other things it was decided to make a small volunteer area in the park at the bottom of Chare Bank as the whole park is a bit too large, to get a village gardener who would look after some of the park and identify issues, and to make a sub path to Heddon Service Station where people are cutting through. Councillors to meet leedale landscapes to discuss price for clearing volunteer area. Knott Hall tap/hose for watering Memorial Park, the out door tap has been fitted. The Parish Council would like to thank the members of the Knott Hall Committee for their help with this. The council authorised the purchase of a numerical key lock box to enable ease of use. Centurion Way seating areas paving stones- price to relay paving around the seats in their current format £700 per seat, price to be sought for a smaller paved area and grassing the remaining area.  
 Gorsehill seats and signs – Prices to be sought for two signs and moving of the bench to an area with a better view.  
 Heddon sign – completed. However the planter beneath the sign is broken the council agreed to repair the planter.
6. **IMPROVING OUR VILLAGE FOR ALL**  
 PJ to progress road markings at bus stop Hexham Road and passing places East Heddon Road. Slight improvements have been made to the passing places on East Heddon with a bit more tarmac. See escalation section 13  
 Heddon Gossip – the gossip will be coming out in January again which is wonderful news and many thanks to the resident who has taken this on. The Parish Council have agreed to take a page in the gossip at £60 per edition for the first 3 editions to help defer start-up costs. It was

agreed that Mr. Lillico would organise the council's submissions and the chairs letter and prepare a shorter item for the Facebook site to complement the Gossip.

Taberna Close improvements – This was deferred to be a larger project.

Facebook update – Chairs letter (see above), Issues with Heddon Matters – this has all now been resolved and both parties are happy.

Heddon Village survey draft village flyer. Content was agreed and it was agreed to go ahead with this at a cost of £200 to have it printed. Content may need to re-agreed as there will be more space than originally expected.

Ideas for improvement – Christmas lights for discussion. It was agreed to decorate the Memorial Park and some small areas on Towne Gate and a budget of £500 was agreed to pay for lights etc.

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

Email – Road sign Military Road – The Parish Council agreed to escalate this issue to Councillor Jackson and other officers of NCC.

## 8. **PLANNING**

### **APPLICATIONS**

21/03702/FUL– The Bothy, West Heddon Road, 10ft x 15ft Heritage Greenhouse and porch– Circulated.

21/03374/FUL – 48 Trajan Walk – single storey extension to rear – circulated

21/02621/FUL – Houghton Moor – extn to annex to form S/c residential, Circulated

21/03888/VARYCO – Rudchester farm – change to LBC consent section 11 internal floors

21/03558/LBC – South Houghton Farm development. It was confirmed that the farm house would remain so the Council decided to withdraw their objection

### **APPLICATIONS GRANTED OR DENIED**

21/03001/LBC – The Bothy, West Heddon Road, 10ft x 15ft Heritage Greenhouse - withdrawn

21/01863/FUL – 278 Hexham Road, 2 storey side and single story rear extension - Refused

21/02520/FUL – 13 Aquila Drive pitch roof over garage, lounge and porch - Granted

21/02035/FUL – Rosemary House, Tulip mews, Roof void extension over garage – Granted

## 9. **CLIMATE CHANGE MEETING –**

Due to an emergency it was impossible to attend this meeting. However two councillors did attend the East Tynedale forum meeting and gained full info on this and have got full info and are now in contact with the NCC climate change team.

## 10. **SELMAN PARK**

Maintenance cost versus overall benefit to the village – Deferred until the next meeting.

## 11. **FINANCE AND ASSETS**

Sign off invoices Sept/Oct – all items agreed and signed off.

Budget monitor Q2- The clerk went through the budget monitor numbers.

Annual residents meeting – It was decided to do this in January along with info regarding the survey and it's outcomes. Clerk to get some dates.

Key box library – it was agreed to get a key box for the library

Welfare Field risk assessment – sign off. Agreed and signed off

Local councils explained book £75 – It was decided not to go forward with another copy of this book.

Memorial wreath for Remembrance Day – It was agreed to buy a poppy wreath for Remembrance Day and ask Ex- Councillor Mr Keller to lay it on behalf of the Council, it was

also agreed to buy a Tommy planter to take the place of one of the Tommie's which has been stolen.

## **12. CORRESPONDENCE**

Resident Email – Mugs for children for the Jubilee circulated and replied. This will be held until a jubilee meeting.

Resident email – Bad Driving and parking next to the school. Circulated and replied

Resident email – Tree allotments – reported. For decision the Council agreed to ensure that this tree was trimmed to allow sun to hit the affected allotment

Email – NCC Paperless payslips

Email – NCC Consultation planning requirements circulated

Letter resident – Hexham Road path between Houghton and Close House – reported, unable to reply.

Letter GNAA request for donation it was agreed to donate £50 to the Air Ambulance.

## **13. COUNTY COUNCIL UPDATE**

There was no update as Councillor Jackson did not attend, it was decided to ask him to attend the next meeting with updates on following outstanding issues.

Bus stop markings Hexham Road

Road sign Military Road

Tree work between Mill lane and A69 to allow access for walkers/horses on the verge.

People parking on B6528 Hexham Road on the brow of the hill near the exit of the Welfare Field at school times in light of the recent accident. It was agreed to purchase signs for our access gate there stating no parking as access required.

## **14. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

There have been comment recently on the Heddon Matters website regarding parking outside the WI. The parish Council have authorised use of the library car park in the evenings to help alleviate this problem.

It was agreed that the Assets Officer could get quotes to modernise the Library CCTV system. It was agreed to get a price from Leedale Landscapes to empty the planter at the butterfly to enable the Arbeia project with the School to go ahead.

Quote for Marmax planks to fix the seat on Heddon Banks £280, it was decided to get a quote for a new seat before making a decision.

It was decided to write again registered post to the residents of Blue Row to remove the fence and give them 28 days to comply.

\*Any members of the press or public wishing to attend the meeting are very welcome. Please contact the clerk on [heddonpc@gmail.com](mailto:heddonpc@gmail.com) or 01661 854583 at least 24 hours before the meeting so arrangements can be made to stay within government Covid guidelines for social distancing.

Expenditure				Income			
09/09/2021	Leaving tokens 3 Councillors (clerk)	1397	£ 150.00	06/09/2021	NCC Precept (1/2 year)	1397	£ 20,979.50
10/09/2021	JMF signs Selman Park	1397	£ 114.00	31/08/2021	rental income 4	1397	£ 290.00
06/09/2021	Seat Station Road (D Irvine)	1397	£ 85.00	01/09/2021	Rental income (3)	1397	£ 300.00
06/09/2021	Tennis net check	1397	£ 60.00	14/09/2021	Rental (1&2)	1397	£ 770.00
27/09/2021	Supply and fit tap K Hall (K Taylor)	1397	£ 150.00	14/09/2021	Rental Selman	1397	£ 125.00
15/10/2021	NCC Payroll (Sept)	1397	£ 945.05				
13/10/2021	Village maintenance Leedale Landscap	1397	£ 235.00				
13/10/2021	New Tommy RBLI (I Pringle)	1397	£ 200.00				
06/10/2021	Military road Seat (D Irvine)	1397	£ 75.00				
06/10/2021	Mem Park Path leveling (D Irvine)	1397	£ 65.00				
06/10/2021	Heddon sign fix (D Irvine)	1397	£ 100.00				
13/10/2021	All Clean windows library	1397	£ 32.00				
13/10/2021	Cleaning	1397	£ 70.00				
	Crown gas	1397	£ 43.74				
	ADT Intruder Alarm	1397	£ 59.44				
	ADT Fire Alarm	1397	£ 14.08				
	24/7 Bus Supp	1397	£ 24.00				
10/10/2021	scottish power (SF)	1397	£ 13.00				
	Plusnet	1397	£ 26.39				
	Plusnet	1397	£ 34.34				
	Wave water	1397	£ 95.76				
	NCC rubbish collection	1397	£ 15.72				
13/10/2021	Grass cutting (J Cotton)	1397	£ 480.00				
13/10/2021	Selman Park Rent (R Young)	1397	£ 500.00				
13/10/2021	ADT annual service	1397	£ 170.40				