

# 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 November 2021 @ 19.00 at Heddon Library

2 residents attended the meeting

1. **PRESENT & APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** – Mr Edwards (chair), Mrs Cruickshank, Mrs Dryden, Mrs Irving Munro, Mrs Keller, Mr Lillico, Clerk (Mrs Pringle) Councillor Jackson NCC. Apologies accepted from Mr Adams
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** - Mr Edwards - Knott Memorial Hall. Mrs Keller - Karbon Homes
3. **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 19th October 2021** – Minutes approved and signed off
4. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES (if not covered elsewhere)**
5. **MAINTAINING OUR VILLAGE FOR ALL**

**Memorial Park/Butterfly** Leedale Landscapes update- An area had been identified to make a community garden in the Memorial Park however on inspection it was decided that area would not be suitable due to the fact that two trees would have to be taken down. It was decided to ask David Hall what would be the most suitable to do in that area. We are still awaiting a price to clear the Butterfly planter of overgrown shrubs.

**Centurion Way seating areas** paving stones update – it was decided that this area is suitable for purpose and would not be repaved at this time.

**Gorsehill seats and signs update** – referred to the next meeting.

**Butterfly update** – both the school and the Roman fort at Arbeia are keen to go ahead with planting this area up with Roman Plants. Arbeia are sending educational info to the school and Mrs Irving is speaking to Kirkley Hall re a planting plan.

**Seat Heddon Banks** – It was decided that as a new seat was cheaper than planks to repair the current seat. A green Marmax recycled plastic seat would be bought and sited on the same spot

**Gardener role** – as there had been no applicants for this it was decided that advert would be revamped and agreed by the PC before being advertised again.

**New councillor role** – It was decided to revamp the form and the procedure after the current co-option to fill the second vacancy.
6. **IMPROVING OUR VILLAGE FOR ALL**

**Facebook update** – Things going along well.

**Heddon Village survey** draft village flyer- This has currently gone to the printers and will be available for delivery soon.

**Removal of dog bin** Taberna Close. It was unanimously agreed to get rid of this bin as there are two other two bins available.

**Ideas for improvement** –

Removal of the bin from the entrance of the Memorial Park next to the garage and re-siting next to the seat on the top of Station Road. This was decided as there are another two bins in the Memorial Park and the PC has received complaints about rubbish at the top of Station Road. Unanimously agreed.

## 7. WORKING WITH OUR RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Email – Heddon sign Military Road update – see section 12. The RA has not yet resumed meetings after Covid but when they do the PC would like to set up a schedule of meetings to ensure we are working together.

## 8. PLANNING

### APPLICATIONS

21/042555/FUL– 15 Campus Martius, single storey rear extension and undercroft storage area. Circulated

### APPLICATIONS GRANTED OR DENIED

21/01952/FULL – The Wheelhouse. Proposed outbuilding for use as a store and garage withdrawn

21/02721/FUL – 26 Marius Ave, 1<sup>st</sup> floor extension and door canopy - Granted

21/03202/FUL – 34 Killiebriggs, Front porch. Granted

21/02533/FUL – 35 Remus Ave, Garage and single story side extn. Granted

## 9. CLIMATE CHANGE

A meeting was held with Councillor Keller and the NCC Climate Change representative Hannah with a walk around to assess the potential suitability of Heddon for several activities such as EV recharging stations, Community garden, lowered speed limits. (See section 5)

## 10. FINANCE AND ASSETS

**Sign off invoices Oct/Nov** – Extra bill for the Courant in the library £26.88 was agreed along with all of the other finances.

**Budget Items** – No extra items as of yet for the budget. However Mr Lillico and Mrs Dryden were appointed to the finance committee and a budget meeting of the committee arranged for Wed 24<sup>th</sup> at 19.00.

Annual residents meeting – an informal drop in meeting has been arranged for Sat Dec 18<sup>th</sup> at 11.00 in the Knott Hall to discuss the results of the survey to coincide with teas after the carol singing.

**Signers for bank accounts** and Barclays internet access – It was agreed that the new members of the Finance Committee would become new bank account signatories and that the clerk would hold the Internet banking access for the Barclays Memorial Park account

**East Tynedale Forum** – It was decided that the Parish council would come out of this forum and not renew the subscription.

## 11. CORRESPONDENCE

Resident Email – Parking issues Taberna Close, circulated, reported NCC and replied

Resident email – Children Playing sign for Marius Ave Vallum Estate. Circulated, reported NCC and replied. A discussion was held regarding the feasibility of putting some play equipment on the Gorse Hill to keep the estates children from playing in the road.

Resident email – Tree allotments – update – NCC have contacted the allotment holder and been to see the tree so the Parish Council will wait until the next growing season and if the tree has not been trimmed they will deal with it at that time.

Email – NCC Consultation Licensing Policy

Email – NCC Consultation planning requirements circulated

Sent registered letter re fence Blue Row. This letter was sent and the residents given until the first of December to remove the fence, if not the matter will be referred to the PC's solicitor.

Two letters have been received regarding the Cyclery on Hexham Road and Victrix Park at East Heddon as these letters are anonymous the Parish Council has been unable to take them forward or to reply.

## **12. COUNTY COUNCIL**

Update – Business as usual after covid, repairing roads, up and coming budget – there had been a concern regarding extra monies spent re covid but this has been mainly covered by grants from central government. Business rates have been brought up by a lot of new start-up businesses and the British Volt factory will be bringing 4000 jobs to Blyth. Work being done regarding the Hadrian's Wall 1900 celebrations.

Escalation of sign Military Road – Councillor Jackson was not happy at the reply the PC had received from NCC especially due to the years we had been reporting this for and would escalate.

Bus stop markings opposite Three Tuns – Councillor Jackson to press forward with this and provide an update.

Slip Road trees – A mail has been received from NCC agreeing to cut the trees on one side of the slip road to the A69 to allow horses and pedestrians a space to walk which is off the road. Timescale give was December as traffic management would be required.

Hexham Road dangerous parking for discussion – In light of a recent accident a full discussion was held regarding dangerous parking on Hexham Road from the brow of the hill west of the Tuns to past the entrance of the Welfare Field including people parking to drop and pick up children at school time. The discussion then extended to general School parking. Peter is going to arrange for several officers of NCC to attend an on-site meeting to suggest and implement ways of improvement.

## **13. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

A donation of £1000 was given to the Memorial Park

\*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 for social distancing.

Expenditure				Income			
10/11/2021	All Clean windows library	1401	£ 32.00	05/10/2021	Samares Investment	1401	£ 400.00
10/11/2021	Cleaning	1401	£ 60.00	28/09/2021	rental income (4)	1401	£ 290.00
	British Gas (electric)	1401		01/10/2021	Rental income (3)	1401	£ 300.00
	Crown gas	1401	£ 53.85				
	ADT Intruder Alarm	1401	£ 59.44				
	ADT Fire Alarm	1401	£ 14.70				
	24/7 Bus Supp	1401	£ 24.00				
	scottish power (SF)	1401	£ 13.00				
	Plusnet	1401	£ 26.39				
	Plusnet	1401	£ 34.56				
10/11/2021	Grass Cutting (J Cotton)	1401	£ 192.00				
	NCC rubbish collection	1401	£ 15.72				
11/11/2021	Petty Cash	1401	£ 150.00				
10/11/2021	War Memorial Flags (D Irving)	1401	£ 150.00				
10/11/2021	Repairs to stone planter (D Irving)	1401	£ 45.00				
10/11/2021	VAT bill pd 13/10 Leedale Landscapes	1401	£ 47.00				
10/11/2021	Village maintenance Leedale Landscapes	1401	£ 282.00				
10/11/2021	Tommy Planter pd clerk	1401	£ 158.26				
10/11/2021	Wreath Remebrance pd Clerk	1401	£ 26.98				
15/11/2021	NCC Payroll (Oct)	1401	£ 945.05				
10/11/2021	Donation GNAA	1401	£ 50.00				