

# 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 08th December 2021 @ 19.00 at Heddon Library

The vicar of St Andrews Church Rachel Scheffer attended the meeting to introduce herself and talk about the cemetery

1. **PRESENT & APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** – Mr Edwards (chair), Mr Adams, Mrs Cruickshank, Mrs Dryden, Mrs Keller, Mr Lillico, Clerk (Mrs Pringle). Apologies accepted from Mrs Irving Munro
2. **NEW COUNCILLOR VOTE** – It was decided to Co-opt Mrs Fiona White to the role of Councillor. Proposed Mr Edwards, seconded Mrs Dryden.
3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** - Mr Edwards - Knott Memorial Hall. Mrs Keller - Karbon Homes. Mr Adams Selman Park.
4. **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 10th November 2021** – Agreed and signed off
5. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES (if not covered elsewhere)**
6. **MAINTAINING OUR VILLAGE FOR ALL**

**Butterfly costs** Leedale Landscapes update – Thanks to leedale for work done in the Memorial park for Remembrance Day, no costs yet for Butterfly.

**Gorsehill signs** update £55 for two laminate signs £80 each for tin signs. It was agreed to go forward with the signs when DK provides wording. For the way the signs will be erected and after some of our laminate signs were affected by the storm at Selman Park, they need to be on wooden boards if they are laminate signs or metal, either will be fine.

**Gardener/New Councillors** ads, role and procedure. It was agreed to go with the new signage and forms provided by DK for the jobs and these would go up when a social media ad or video was provided

**Storm Arwen issues** – It was agreed to pay Batsons to finish off the tree work caused by the storm (see section 11). Clerk to provide a testimonial to Batsons for the excellent service they provided in keeping the people of heddon safe. Huge thanks went out to Mr and Mrs Keller for their prompt action. The financial standing orders proved detrimental to the process of quick action for a health and safety emergency. It was decided to look at changing the section regarding this to a £5000 cap to be decided by two councillors and the clerk. LP to prepare wording for sign off.

It was agreed fix the wall on Chare Bank after the tree issues £1500.

It was agreed to claim from the insurance for the problems brought about by storm Arwen.

**New Library CCTV cameras** – Deferred to next meeting.
7. **IMPROVING OUR VILLAGE FOR ALL**

**Facebook/website update** – A copy of Heddon Gossip is on the website a new section will be made to hold the gossip and the backdated copies.

**Removal of dog bin Taberna Close** – This bin belongs to the Vet who would prefer to leave it where it is but is going to clean it so it looks better.

**Project Volunteer** – Our first volunteers for different things are starting to come forward, clerk to hold contact info until the projects are off the ground.

Ideas for improvement – List **of local emergency suppliers**. It was decided to go forward with lists of emergency numbers for both local and national emergency suppliers.

**Heddon in bloom** was discussed as a possible new project for improvement.

## 8. WORKING WITH OUR RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

## 9. PLANNING

### APPLICATIONS

21/04510/FUL – 1 Killiebriggs, side extensions with roof windows, int alterations, replace conservatory and increase garage to double. Circulated.

21/04469/FUL – West Meadow House, Birk Road, New home office. Circulated

21/04598/FUL – High Seat, Military Road. Alterations to windows and doors. Circulated

21/04724/FUL – 17 Valerian Ave, rear single story and 2 first floor extensions. Circulated

### APPLICATIONS GRANTED OR DENIED

21/01901/FUL - 54 Trajan Walk extension over garage – Granted

21/03888/VARYCO – Rudchester Farm Cottage. Internal changes - Granted

## 10. CLIMATE CHANGE

## 11. FINANCE AND ASSETS

**Sign off invoices Nov/Dec** All invoices were approved including the following last minute additions AGM £39 compost, survey letter delivery £37.50, Maintenance £248.60, Xmas lights £117.86, Planting £68.59, Batsons Arwen tree safety £1500 plus VAT.

**Draft budget 2022/3** – the draft budget was approved at a 78p increase per household from last year proposed chair, seconded LC. Clerk to forward to County council for precept.

**Building Insurance Surveyors** valuations library and Knott. Clerk to send out current valuations

**Bank account mandate change** and Barclays internet access – Coop accounts all signed off clerk to send mandate change form. Barclays can only be done over the phone clerk to send info to chair.

**Tynedale Hospice Donation** – it was agreed to donate £50

## 12. CORRESPONDENCE

Resident Email – Blue Row fence – email for discussion. It was decided to go ahead as agreed and look at a solicitor's letter.

Resident email – dangerous tree in private garden cottages Hexham Road circulated, for ideas. It seems this issue has now been resolved.

Email – Go North East re X85

Email – NCC Assistance storm Arwen

## 13. COUNTY COUNCIL

Escalation of sign Military Road

Bus stop markings opposite Three Tuns

Hexham Road dangerous parking

Slip Road trees

#### 14. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Regarding the lost trees it was put forward that a sponsor a tree solution could be looked at with matched funding to replace any lost trees, a further report and proposal to be submitted.
- For the drop in meeting on the 18<sup>th</sup> at 11.00. DK and AL to make a video, PE to make a handout and bring copies. LP to make up notices. Meeting to be attended by PA,DK,KD,RA clerk not required.
- Thanks to RA for procuring and putting up lights around the village.
- Notice boards, due to keys going missing a new solution will be sought.
- Selman Park, St Andrews senior team has now closed. Solutions for the park will be reviewed in the spring. Sign fell off in the storm RA to replace.

Meeting closed at 20.35

\*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						
15/11/2021	Marmax seat	1406	£	310.80	28/10/2021	Rental income (4)	1406	£	290.00
19/11/2021	Printing survey (Robson Print)	1406	£	237.60	20/10/2021	rental income (1&2)	1406	£	560.00
15/12/2021	NCC Payroll (Nov)	1406	£	945.05	01/11/2021	Rental income (3)	1406	£	300.00
09/12/2021	Emergency trees (Batson)	1406	£	1,200.00					
09/12/2021	Mileage (L Pringle)	1406	£	30.60					
09/12/2021	Village maintenance Leedale Landsca	1406	£	282.00					
09/12/2021	All Clean windows library	1406	£	32.00					
09/12/2021	Cleaning	1406	£	60.00					
	British Gas (electric)	1406	£	101.06					
	Crown gas	1406	£	73.73					
	ADT Intruder Alarm	1406	£	59.44					
	ADT Fire Alarm	1406	£	14.70					
	24/7 Bus Supp	1406	£	24.00					
	scottish power (SF)	1406	£	13.00					
	Plusnet	1406	£	26.39					
	Plusnet	1406	£	34.56					
	Wave water	1406	£	100.35					
09/12/2021	Lighting/cameras etc A Beaton	1406	£	50.00					