

Heddon on the Wall Parish Council

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MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of Heddon on the Wall Parish Council
Wednesday 16th March 2022 @ 19.00 at Heddon Library

Two local residents attended the meeting

1. **PRESENT & APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** – Mr Edwards, Mrs Dryden, Mrs Keller, Mrs White, Mrs Irving Munro. Clerk (Mrs Pringle). Apologies accepted from Mr Adams, Mr Lillico

It was with much regret that the council acknowledged the retirement of Mrs Cruickshank who has been a councillor serving the residents of Heddon for well over a decade.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – Mr Edwards Knott Memorial Hall, Mrs Keller Karbon Homes.
3. **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 09th February 2022** – minutes were agreed and signed off.
4. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES (if not covered elsewhere)**

5. **MAINTAINING OUR VILLAGE FOR ALL**

Butterfly costs Leedale Landscapes update. Leedale Landscapes are unable to do the complete revamp and new beds at the butterfly for the Roman herb project due to other commitments. LIM to get some other prices.

cameras £602 20d, £763 30d it was agreed to go with the £763 quote with the 30 **New Library CCTV** day retention. AO to action.

Glass Recycling Bins – The site suggested by the Parish Council proved unacceptable to the county council. They do have one more idea that they are hoping may be taken up.

Gorse Hill wording for signs – DK to provide, AO to action with seat move.

MUGA goalposts – deferred until next month

Bus stop seat- resident. It was agreed to get a price for the renewal of the seat in the bus shelter between the garage and the Roman Wall.

Water tank frame allotments. It was agreed to fix the wooden surround on this tank.

New planters required 2x Heddon Banks triangle £30 each agreed LP to buy, 3 x Station Rd triangle, agreed DK to source £150 each. It was agreed to look for volunteers to look after the planters which currently do not have custodians to be added into the gossip article.

Litter picking equipment-It was decided not to double up on litter pick equipment and borrow the equipment from the school when necessary, any loss to be reimbursed by the council. The date of the litter pick to be changed to May to coincide with the Jubilee celebrations.

Tree surgeon and cutting of sycamores Chare Bank. Our usual tree surgeon is retiring and quotes will be sought for the next non-urgent tree works. It was agreed to accept the quote of £2200 to do the two dangerous trees on Chare Bank.

Trees slip road – the work of cutting back the trees on the road running from the junction of Mill Lane to the A69 to allow safe passage of horses and pedestrians had been confirmed by NCC 23rd/24th March. However due to other works being requested by residents and our local MP this work has been put on hold and no date given to re-schedule.

Tree allotments – This was agreed to be done by the Trees and Woodland officer for the County Council who spoke to the allotment holder and agreed to prune the tree last year. He left and the new officer now states that the tree has a Tree Protection Order and the work cannot be done for some time.

6. IMPROVING OUR VILLAGE FOR ALL

First aid training – Price received for £395 + VAT. LP to send out info for consideration at the next meeting.

Christmas lights – LP has tried 4 times to arrange a meeting with NCC regarding Christmas lights. Send phone number etc. to DK for follow up.

Play Equipment Welfare Field. – LP to arrange visit by a play company to get some ideas before opening up to a residents committee.

7. WORKING WITH OUR RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

8. PLANNING

APPLICATIONS

22/00700/PRUTPO – Land at Quarry House Rudchester, two trees to be pruned. Circulated
22/00599/FUL – Close House café and driving range, extn to carpark and a new driving range building. Circulated

22/00713/FUL – 11 Marius Ave – New porch, lounge extn, 2nd storey side extension over garage and rear single storey extn. Circulated – It was decided to comment on this application but not object.

Land South of Centurion Way – Fence

APPLICATIONS GRANTED OR DENIED

22/00241/PRUTPO – 21 Killiebriggs tree pruning. - Granted

22/00721/FDN – Chare Bank, permission to fell two dangerous sycamores - Granted

21/02123/FUL - Close House, demolition of lab building and replacement with pool/showers/WC/lounge/games room/terrace on a smaller footprint - Granted

21/03374/FUL – 48 Trajan walk – single story extn to rear. Granted

9. ROMAN WALL and QUEENS JUBILEE FESTIVALS

All coming along well with lots of ideas including Jubilee bunting making sessions, commemorative cups for children, Tea dance, minibus to help people around the village. It was agreed to give DK an initial budget of £500 for the Jubilee and £250 for the Roman Wall, further individual items to be discussed when they come up.

It was agreed to make a section in the PC website for community celebrations.

10. FINANCE AND ASSETS

Sign off invoices – agreed and signed off. Solicitor's fee to wait until item finished.

Assets officer Role – Four candidates interviewed and the standard was very high. The council chose a preferred candidate and the position will be offered to them for consideration.

Councillor co-option – There has been one candidate for the councillor role and suggestions were made of dates to meet up. LP to arrange meeting.

Library refunds offices 3 & 4- It was agreed to the full refund for office three and a half refund for office 4 for the months of Dec/Jan.

Library heating – renew boiler pump £160 or new boiler £2300. It was decided to get two more quotes for a new boiler.

Review of allotment rates with a view to raising them slightly to cover expenses. It was decided to rise each allotment rate by £5

11. SELMAN PARK

The way forward- Deferred until next month

12. CORRESPONDENCE

Resident email – Cut from Remus Ave to Aquila fences – circulated and reported

Resident email – EV charging points – still issues as to where it would be possible to put these. DK to contact Climate change team at NCC again.

Resident email – fence Blue Row. It was agreed to contact the resident if the fence was not down by the timescale they had given.

Email – Digital Council – it was agreed to put this on hold at the present time

NCC email – Library fibre broadband installation – agreed

13. COUNTY COUNCIL

List of issues to go to Peter for update including fence Centurion Way and specific invite to next meeting. LP

Escalation of sign Military Road

Bus stop markings opposite Three Tuns

Hexham Road dangerous parking for discussion

Slip Road trees – update 23/24th March – see item 5

14. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Bus shelter Towne Gate – Youths jumping on the roof, quite a few ideas but no firm decision.

Leedale Memorial Park Flowers – it was decided to ask Leedale landscapes if they could plant flowers in the Memorial Park. LP

Donation to Ukraine – it was decided to allow residents to donate individually rather than make a donation of their precept money.

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