TARSET AND GREYSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Parish Council held at 730pm on Wednesday 16th July 2025 in Lanehead Village Hall

Those Present Parish Cllr's G Liddle (Vice Chairman), D McCracken, G Armstrong, D Capps, R Watson, T Peacock

In Attendance C Miller (Clerk/Responsible Financial Officer)

2025/51 Apologies for Absence

Cllr J Morrison-Bell

2025/52 Declaration of Members Interests

There were no Declaration of Members Interests.

2024/53 Co-Option Vacancies. Members to consider applicants

Two resident's were present who had applied to be co-opted onto the Council.

RESOLVED:

After consideration, members co-opted Terry Peacock and Rob Watson onto the Council.

2025/54 Minutes of the previous meeting held 21st May 2025

RESOLVED:

Members agreed that the minutes of the previous meeting held 21st May 2025 were a true record.

D Capps had not been present at the previous meeting, and noted with concern that members had agreed the proposal for a new noticeboard at Greenhaugh should not be furthered, and be removed from the agenda.

2025/55 Public Participation

There were no members of the public present.

2025/56 Financial Matters

2025/56/01 Payments. Members to approve the following payments:

PAYABLE TO	DESCRIPTION	TOTAL
Chris Mowatt	Orchard grasscutting 17/5/25	£43.20, including VAT @ £7.20
	Orchard grasscutting 6/6/25	£86.40, including VAT @ £14.40
C Miller	Salary May, June	£398.21
	Expenses	£26.35

RESOLVED:

Members approved the payments.

2025/56/02 Litter bins. Members to receive update on installation of wheelie bin at Greenhaugh car park.

The Clerk had received confirmation from the County Council that the wheelie bin would be installed in the near future.

2025/57 Planning

2025/57/01 Members to consider Planning applications received

• 25NP0048: Two additional retreat huts at Land of Joy Buddhist Retreat Centre, Greenhaugh Hall, Tarset – the Parish Council had no comments to make on the application

2025/57/02 Members to note Planning permission(s) received

- 25NP0005: Installation of 8No photovoltaic panels to supplement energy provision Park Lodge, Tarset
- 25NP0034: 3 Birks Cottage, Tarset demolition of existing rear extension and garage and construction of new single storey rear extension and single storey garage

2025/58 Orchard and Car Park

2025/58/01 Step repair. Members to consider works required

The work involved installing a new wicket gate, and post and rail repairs, however securing a contractor was proving problematic.

RESOLVED:

D McCracken to contact two local contractors and arrange site meeting to consider works required.

2025/58/02 Fence and gate. Members to receive update on fence removal.

Item considered above.

2025/58/03 Maintenance. Members to consider any maintenance issues.

Members agreed contractor should carry out a full cut of the orchard by early September.

RESOLVED:

Clerk to contact contractor and request full orchard cut by early September.

2025/59 Reports

There were no Cllr reports.

2025/60 Highway Matters

2025/60/01 Members to consider items for inclusion on Local Transport Plan 2026-2027. Current requests listed

as 1.Resurfacing road to Bower; 2. Resurfacing on road to High Green.

Members gave consideration to improvements within the parish. The road is sliding halfway down Sneep Bank due

to an increase in traffic, which could be improved with passing places. However County Council had previously advised passing places did not fit the criteria for the LTP. The Clerk advised the County Council carry out monitoring when requests are made to ensure there is a need for projects requested, however only a small percentage of requests would be implemented.

RESOLVED:

- 1. The Clerk to circulate LTP criteria to members once received from the County Council.
- 2. Parish Council proposals to be confirmed at next meeting.

2025/61 B4RN Full fibre for rural Northumberland. Members to receive update.

At the present time not enough residents had registered interest for B4RN full fibre to enable the service to be progressed in the parish, with in excess of 120 additional signatures required.

2025/62 Consultation. Forest Management carried out by Soil Association

The Clerk advised The Soil Association had carried out a consultation relating to forest managers activities. Comments received would be included in their company audit report.

2025/63 Changes to email requirements / websites for local councils. Clerk to give verbal update

The Clerk advised all Parish Council's now required a .org / .gov email address. Parish Cllr's should also have council specific email addresses. The Parish Council has a section on The Tarset community website. The website host is an approved administrator and able to provide a quotation for the creation of nine email addresses and ongoing annual fee.

RESOLVED:

Quotation for .org / .gov email addresses to be considered at next meeting.

2025/64 Urgent Business/Items for next agenda

Members agreed a thankyou should be minuted to William Morrison-Bell and Simon Coxon who had retired from the Council May 2025.

RESOLVED:

The Clerk to forward thanks to the retired members.

2025/65 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of Tarset and Greystead Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 17th September 2025 at 730pm

The meeting closed at 825pm.

Claire Miller, Parish Clerk,

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