

**Minutes of ordinary meeting of Bavington Parish Council held on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2021 commencing at 7pm in Great Bavington URC meeting room,**

**Those Present:** P Acton (Chairman), P Ramsden, R Taylor, J Spearman, C Hogg, L Robson, C Miller (Clerk)

**2021/40 Apologies for Absence**

There were no apologies for absence.

**2021/41 Disclosure of interests by members regarding agenda items**

There were no declaration of interests.

**2021/42 Approval of minutes taken at the meeting held 5<sup>th</sup> August 2021**

It was resolved that the minutes of the previous meeting held 5<sup>th</sup> August 2021 be accepted as a true record.

**2021/43 Matters arising from meeting held 5<sup>th</sup> August 2021**

Decision for Planning Application NO: 21/02474/FUL still awaited.

**2021/44 Ray Wind Farm Fund**

**2021/44/01 To receive update**

Specific Covid fund no longer open, with funds available to all. There had been no applications from Bavington parish last year, and C Hogg suggested a defibrillator could be placed in the parish.

**2021/44/02 To receive information regarding B4RN/B4NTR Broadband matters**

Progress slow mainly regarding the gigabyte distribution from Government, although funding had been sanctioned on a Cumbrian B4RN scheme. The Parish Council remain concerned about the lack of broadband service in the parish, and look forward to some encouraging news.

**2021/45 Finance**

**2021/45/01 To approve payments**

- Plexus Media – Spanglefish – annual web-site hosting fee - £103.00

It was resolved to approve the payment

**2021/45/02 To consider and approve grants to the following**

- Great North Air Ambulance – it was resolved to grant £100
- Tynedale Hospice – official request for grant had not yet been received, therefore item deferred
- St Aidan's Thockrington - it was resolved to grant £100
- Great Bavington United Reformed Church – annual rent for meeting room - £100

**2021/45/02 To approve budget and precept requirements 2022-2023**

It was resolved to approve the budget, and precept requirement of £1600 for 2022-2023

Discussion followed regarding Queen's Platinum celebrations June 2022. National guidelines were encouraging a beacon to be lit at 915pm on 2/6/22, and a celebration should be held. P Ramsden to enquire whether parishioners would be prepared to organise.

**2021/46 Planning**

**2021/46/01 Planning Applications received**

- 21/02983/LBC: Ladywell, Great Bavington – Listed Building Consent for replacement of 15 existing double glazed sash and case and timber casement windows with timber double glazed sash and case windows. Replacement of three timber doors and double glazed patio door with double glazed bifold door **and subsequently approved by Northumberland County Council**

- 21/03565/FUL: Steel Rigg Farm, Belsay – Proposed development of one agricultural shed – the Parish Council resolved to state they did not support the application

**2021/47 Northumberland County Council – Statement of Licensing Policy Consultation**

Consultation available on-line, with document reviewed every five years. It was agreed the Parish Council had no comment to make.

**2021/48 Any other Urgent Business/Items for Next Meeting**

Parishioner had emailed concerns regarding trees beside the road into Great Bavington, with many having ash die-back to a greater or lesser degree, with some trees having dead branches. The trees being between the road and the fences on each side. A couple of large branches had come down in recent months and there was concern the dead branches were unsafe and could fall. Clerk had forwarded concerns to County Council who had confirmed they would look into the problem.

C Hogg had spoken to Quarry manager regarding water pooling across the main road who had said quarry machinery could not access the road, however last week the quarry sweeper had been seen there. There is currently an awful lot of dirt coming from the quarry, with blocked drains, and it was agreed to forward concerns to Breedons, quarry owner regarding water/dirt/contamination of the watercourse.

**2021/49 Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of Bavington Parish Council will be held on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2022 commencing 7pm in Great Bavington URC meeting room.



Claire Miller, Parish Clerk

The meeting closed at 815pm