

BAVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of an ordinary meeting of Bavington Parish Council held on Thursday 1st February 2024 commencing at 7pm in Great Bavington URC meeting room

Those present: P Acton (Chairman), L Robson, R Taylor, P Ramsden, C Miller (Clerk)

2024/01 Apologies for Absence

C Hogg, J Spearman due to long-term illness.

2024/02 Disclosure of interests by members regarding agenda items

There were no Declaration of members interests.

2024/03 Minutes of previous meeting held 2nd November 2023

It was resolved that the minutes of the previous meeting held 2nd November 2023 be accepted as a true record, further to amendment of “Grant monies available had gone up by inflation to £357K,” to “Grant monies available had gone up by inflation to £375K”

2024/04 Trees on unnamed road to Great Bavington

No progress had been made with tree maintenance.

2024/05 To receive update on Ray Wind Farm Fund

Fund open for applications, major donation had been granted to B4RN.

2024/06 To receive update on B4RN/B4NTR Broadband matters

Phase One at Barrasford currently being built, with village hall live and operational. Kirkwhelpington build area, including Bavington to officially go ahead. B4RN keen to move voucher funding scheme forward and sign further people to expand numbers.

2024/07 Finance

2024/07/01 To receive 2023/2024 Local Government Services Pay Agreement, backdated from 1st April 2023

The pay award was noted, equating to an additional £1/hour.

2024/07/02 To approve payments

- C Miller – annual salary and expenses - £891.58

It was resolved to approve the payment.

2024/07/03 To receive acknowledgement of grant from Great North Air Ambulance; Tynedale Hospice at Home

Acknowledgement of grants noted. P Ramsden gave verbal thanks for the grant to Thockrington Church.

2024/08 Planning

2024/08/01 Planning Applications received

- 22/03530/DISCON: Divet Hill Quarry – Discharge of condition 25 (Noise Monitoring Scheme), 26 (Dust Management Scheme), 27 (Dust Monitoring Provision) and 32 Vibration Complaints Scheme) on approved application
- 20/03660/CCMEIA – no objections.

- 22/03531/DISCON: Divet Hill Quarry – Discharge of condition 25 (Noise Monitoring Scheme), 26 (Dust Management Scheme), 27 (Dust Monitoring Scheme and 32 (Complaints of Vibration Scheme) on approved application 20/03661/VARCCM – no objections.

2024/08/02 Approval of Planning Application received

No approval of planning applications had been received.

2024/08/03 Divet Hill Liaison Committee

Quarry currently heading towards Newonstead with face being opened up. This could lead to less severe blasts. Application for night-time working to be submitted. County Cllr keen to repair road into Great Bavington, and it was believed there could be more extensive road repairs - P Ramsden to draft further submission to County Council. Quarry would receive an increased voucher allowance as a company in relation to B4RN, and could invest or make a donation to the scheme. Overall view being the Liaison Committee is useful.

2024/09 To consider issues with path to Church

No further developments.

2024/10 To consider issues with cattle grids from village to B6342

County Council Highways Officer had advised 8/11/23 that the cattlegrid would be ripped/cleaned out and walls replaced, with bypass to be cleaned. Grids are cleared every 18 months, however agricultural vehicles lead to clart with grids unable to cope with the debris. County Council inspect roads annually, and it was resolved the council would request inspections every 6 months.

2024/11 Review of internal auditor

It was resolved to engage Mr M Ackroyd as internal auditor y.e. 31.3.24 at the cost of £25/hour.

2024/12 Review of internal controls

It was resolved that the present system of internal controls were sufficient for the needs of the Parish Council.

2024/13 Review of risk assessment

It was resolved that the Risk Assessment was sufficient for the present needs of the Parish Council.

2024/14 Review of asset register

It was resolved that the asset register was an accurate record.

2024/15 Any other Urgent Business/Items for Next Meeting

County Council had forwarded the following information, “In response to new Government legislation, from 1st February Northumberland households can now dispose of limited DIY waste for free at our Northumberland Household Waste Recovery Centres (HWRC). From this date site users will need a pre-booked permit to dispose of their DIY waste at our HWRCs, to help us manage DIY waste disposal smoothly. Households that are taking in other non-DIY waste such as general household waste, garden waste, old furniture etc to the HWRCs are not affected by the new permit arrangements. The booking system is being introduced to manage these new DIY waste limits which are in line with the requirements of the new Controlled Waste Regulations 2023. A permit can be requested via www.northumberland.gov.uk/waste or through the contact centre on 0345 600 6400. The pre-booked permit allows free disposal of DIY waste up to 100 litres – that's about two typical 50 litre builders' rubble sacks, or one item no larger than 2000mm x 750mm x 700mm (ie the size of a shower screen). If the site user needs to dispose of more DIY waste than the allocated free allowance, then they can simply 'Pay as You Throw' for any additional DIY waste above the free amount using the existing tariff. Each household can have four visits with a permit to dispose of their DIY waste in any four-week period. Prominent site signage is in place at each

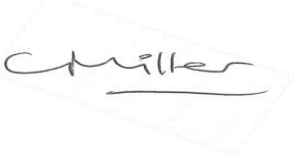
HWRC informing site users of the new DIY permit requirements from 1st February 2024. Information has also been issued to the local media and a comprehensive social media campaign will include a DIY waste explainer video and an update in the News Section of the Council website. **Useful links:** Information leaflet (please scroll to DIY Waste Section): <https://www.northumberland.gov.uk/Waste/Tip.aspx#householdwastepermits>

Permit booking system: <https://wastepermits.northumberland.gov.uk/selfservice/Permit.aspx>

NALC were seeking nominations for attendees at the 2024 Kings Garden Party.

2024/16 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of Bavington Parish Council will be held on 2nd May 2024 commencing 7pm in Bavington URC Meeting Room.



The meeting closed at 750pm

Claire Miller, Parish Clerk

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