

HORSLEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 16 March 2015 AT 7.00PM IN THE WI/VILLAGE HALL

- 0660. PRESENT:** Cllr M D Senior, Chairman of the Council together with Cllrs D Lillie, A Turnbull, and P Taylor
In attendance: County Councillor Paul Kelly
Mrs M Senior, Clerk to the Council
- 0661. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.** Cllrs C Rodgers, S Lynch and County Councillor Paul Kelly
- 0662. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.** Cllr A Turnbull declared a personal interest in matters relating to Northumbrian Water under correspondence.
- 0663. MINUTES.** It was proposed by Cllr M D Senior, seconded by Cllr D Lillie and AGREED that the minutes of the meeting held on **19 January 2015** be signed as an accurate record.
- 0664. MATTERS ARISING.**
- LEAD LANE.** Minute 0648c refers. It was noted that Northumbrian Water had resolved the problem.
 - CHERRY TREE GARDENS.** Minute 0648e refers. Northern Powergrid had visited and spoken to the resident. They are looking into this.
 - SPEEDING.** Minute 631 refers. It was noted that the speed checks requested at the last meeting had not been carried out. This will be monitored over the next few weeks and reported.
- 0665. RESIDENTS** present raised a number of matters and where relevant they are listed together with the actions that will be taken, if required. In due course if necessary, reports will be made back to Council.
- BUS SHELTER.** It was noted that the bus shelter at the west end of the village were full of broken glass and rubbish.
 - LITTER.** Litter is being thrown from vehicles on the Harlow Hill road. Maurice and Hazel Holliday regularly litter pick on this stretch of road. This can be reported via a form to Northumberland County Council.
 - WATER QUALITY.** It was noted that there was a metallic taste in the water. Alan Turnbull will look into this through Northumbrian Water.
 - TRAVELLERS IN WATER LANE.** John Bramwell advised that he had attended a meeting with Northumbrian Water, Michael Connelly and Graham Handy, Northumberland CC, the police and Northumberland Estates to discuss measures to prevent the travellers parking their caravans in Water Lane. It is suggested to erect 2 stone pillars at the entrance together with a gate and a Northumbrian Water sign. The area around the farm will be fenced off with trees planted on either side. Northumbrian Water will provide a security guard at the entrance to allow access to authorised vehicles. Unfortunately, the Parish Council had not been invited to this meeting.
- 0666. CORRESPONDENCE.** All correspondence and information items received since the January meeting had been listed on the agenda and most of this correspondence had been circulated by email.
- War Memorial Trust.** Email received advising that the project to restore the war memorial may be eligible for the War Memorials Trust Grants Scheme. A further application form will need to be completed together with 2 quotes for the work and photographic evidence.
 - Northumberland County Council Planning Review.** Northumberland County Council is currently undertaking a fundamental review of the planning services. This review will form the basis of a report to the Scrutiny Committee in February. The proposed changes include the removal of the trigger that results in planning applications being taken to committee, including the interpretation of a parish council's objection requiring a committee decision. Councillors will be asked to consider the proposal to remove this automatic trigger.
 - Northumbrian Water – Upgrade of Water Treatment Works.** Horsley Water Treatment Works is due to be upgraded. The work will begin in early summer 2016 and take up to 30 months to complete. A customer information session will be arranged in the late summer to give residents the opportunity to find out more about the scheme and how it may impact on the village.
- 0667. INFORMATION ITEMS**
- Northumberland Residents Festival Leaflets 21-22 March 2015
 - Clerks and Councils Direct – March 2015 Issue 98
 - Campaign to Protect Rural England – North East Newsletter Spring 2015
- 0668. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.**
- PLANNING DECISIONS/APPLICATIONS.** Details of planning decisions and applications as circulated were AGREED by all Councillors and are listed below:-

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REFERENCE	ADDRESS	DESCRIPTION	DECISION
14/04038/FUL	Horsley Fell, Horsley	Proposed extension to rear, extension to 1 st floor above garage and kitchen and alterations	GRANTED
14/04042/FUL 14/04043/LBC	Moor View, Horsley	LBC consent for proposed extension to existing bungalow	GRANTED
14/04290/FUL 14/04291/LBC	Slate House, Weldon, Stocksfield	Construction of single storey link, change of use of barn and land to residential use and internal and external alterations to barn and dwelling	Decision awaited
15/00637/PRUTPO	Stoneycroft, Horsley	Tree preservation order to prune six Sycamores to provide 1m – 2m clearance from the nearest conductor or other live equipment	Comments by 24 th March 15
15/00679/FUL	Horsley Banks Farm	Proposed amendments to property which include addition of roof lights, outdoor kitchen area, removal of dormer windows and amendments to roof	Objection sent

0669. FINANCE

- a) **ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.** It was proposed by Cllr D Lillie, seconded by Cllr P Taylor and AGREED accounts on the list as circulated be paid.
- b) **ACCOUNTS UP TO 28th FEBRUARY 2015.** Accounts and budget report reviewed and accepted, proposed by Cllr D Lille, seconded by Cllr P Taylor and AGREED.
- c)

PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	NET OF VAT	VAT	CHEQUE AMOUNT	CHEQUE NO
Mrs A Senior	Clerical Services	418.20		418.20	SO
HAS Consultants	Portable Hearing Loop	99.00		99.00	000801
HMRC	PAYE	104.40		104.40	000802
Mrs A Senior	Expenses – Telephone	8.74		8.74	000803
J & J Cotton Ltd	Hedge cutting	60.00	12.00	72.00	000804
Spanglefish	Website hosting	20.79	4.16	24.95	000805
HAS Consultants	Portable Hearing Loop	10.00	21.80	31.80	000806

INCOME RECEIVED			
NAME	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	DATE
Lloyds Bank	Interest	0.39	09.02.15
Lloyds Bank	Interest	0.32	10.03.15
Northumberland CC	Cemetery double charging	41.85	26.03.15
Northumberland CC	Cemetery double charging	167.41	30.03.15

0670. VILLAGE ISSUES.

- a) **LITTER PICK.** The Spring litter pick has been arranged for week commencing 30 March 2015.
- b) **TO CONSIDER TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES IN THE VILLAGE.** Questionnaire will be issued to all residents to establish if they support traffic calming measures in the village.
- c) **PLAY AREA.** A sum of £2082 is available for Horsley to apply for through the S106 Housing Developer Fund. It was suggested that this money could be used to replace the roundabout which is in need of repair. It was noted that Northumberland Estates are increasing the rent for the play area from £150 per annum to £225.00 per annum with effect from 1st November 2014.
- d) **GARDEN CLUB REQUEST.** Email received from the Gardening club. The Garden Club currently have allotments situated behind the Lion and Lamb. As part of this the Gardening club has divided the field into sections. Northumbrian Water has provided the allotments with a water cube to help with the provision of water to the site. They are considering a children's section to encourage planning and follow this on with a section in the village show this year with produce they have grown themselves. They request financial assistance from the Parish Council to provide a shed on the site. After discussion, this was agreed in principle although costs would be required before a final decision is made.

0671. REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON COMMITTEES.

- a) **Ovingham Joint Burial Committee.** The Joint Burial Committee advised that one representative from Horsley is required at each meeting. Cllr M D Senior advised that if the representatives are unable to attend he will attend in their place.
- b) **East Tynedale Parish and Town Councils Forum.** The next meeting is to be held on Wednesday 15th April in the Wylam Institute.

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0672. DATE OF NEXT MEETING. The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday 18th May 2015 at 7.00pm in the WI Hall. The Annual Parish Meeting will be held at 7.00pm followed by the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council.

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