

HORSLEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 18 JANUARY 2016 AT 7.00PM IN THE WI/VILLAGE HALL

- 0731. PRESENT:** Cllr M D Senior, Chairman of the Council together with Cllrs A Turnbull, S Lynch, C Rodgers and P Taylor.
In attendance: County Councillor P Kelly
Mrs M Senior, Clerk to the Council
- 0732. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.** Cllr D Lillie
- 0733. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.** Cllr A Turnbull declared a personal interest in matters relating to Northumbria Water.
- 0734. RESIDENTS.**
- a) **GULLEYS.** It was noted that the gulleys on the main road outside the WI and opposite the Crown and Anchor were still blocked. These will be reported to NCC.
 - b) **POT HOLES.** It was noted that the road to Harlow Hill and Mill Way (outside the entrance to NWL) were badly pot holed.
- 0735. NORTHUMBRIAN WATER UPDATE.** Unfortunately, the representatives of NWL were unable to attend the meeting however sent the following update:
The two teams tendering for the work have continued to develop their designs. NWL have secured outline planning permission with reserved matters. As the two teams tendering are still developing different solutions they currently do not have a final design. , so the planning submission included elevations of the largest structures from both solutions. The end result will be a smaller outline than that on which planning permission was secured. The winning contractor will work closely with the planners to ensure that their design is visually acceptable with appropriate landscaping.
The current programme indicates that they will award the contract at the end of March with work commencing on site early summer. NWL will arrange customer meetings once they have awarded the contract giving residents the opportunity to view the plans and discuss with the project team as well as see the timescales for the project.
NWL are to see if they are able to assist with the Queen's birthday celebrations by covering the cost of the hire of a marquee. NWL also agreed to decorate the Village Hall as part of their Just an Hour employee scheme. There have been a number of operational reasons why they have been unable to carry out this work but are hoping that this will be resolved soon.
They confirmed that a representative will attend the next Parish Council meeting on 21 March 2016.
- 0736. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT.** Cllr Paul Kelly gave a verbal update on matters relating to Northumberland County Council. A summary is given below;
- a) Ovingham Bridge. It is expected that the bridge will remain closed for several months. Inspections need to be done which cannot be carried out until the river level drops. The pedestrian bridge is closed completely and the road bridge is being used for pedestrian access. The river road between Alders and Bywell will remain closed until further notice due to a landslip and the land is still moving.
 - b) Northumberland Local Plan – Core Strategy. The consultation ends on 25 November. There will be a delay of about 6 months while responses are analysed.
 - c) Fire and Rescue Service has been working flat out during the recent floods. There are only 4 gulley wagons in Northumberland and they have seen the highest floods since 1771.
- 0737. MINUTES.** It was proposed by Cllr M D Senior, seconded by Cllr P Taylor and AGREED that the minutes of the meeting held on **16 November 2015** be signed as an accurate record.
- 0738. MATTERS ARISING.**
- a) **TESCO LOCAL COMMUNITY FUND.** Minute 0729 refers. Unfortunately, the deadline for the last round had been missed. This will be placed on the agenda for the March meeting as the next deadline is April.
 - b) **LITTER BINS.** Still awaiting confirmation from Northumberland County Council that a litter bin can be installed at Horsley Wood Cottages.
- 0739. CORRESPONDENCE.** All correspondence and information items received since the November meeting had been listed on the agenda and most of this correspondence had been circulated by email.
- 0740. NORTHUMBERLAND FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE WORKING TOWARDS 2020.** Proposed changes to services delivered by Northumberland Fire and Rescue Service would assist the Service in making cuts of £500,000 by 2016/17. Consultation on the proposed changes will conclude on 15th February 2016. Further details can be found on Northumberland County Council website.
- 0741. FUTURE AUDIT ARRANGEMENTS.** The Government is in the process of reforming the local government audit system. Changes are planned for 2017-18. All Parish Councils must decide whether to join the new arrangements which are being planned nationally by 31 March 2016. It was agreed that Horsley Parish Council would use the arrangement procured by SLAAA/NALC.

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0742. BOOK BANK PROVISION AT BRING SITES/HOUSEHOLD WASTE RECOVERY CENTRES. It was noted that the book bank provision had been withdrawn at Wentworth Car Park, Hexham and the Village Car Park, Corbridge..

0743. INFORMATION ITEMS

- Community Action Northumberland – Email Alert January 2016
- Northumberland County Council – Winter Services Leaflet
- Community Action Northumberland – CANNY News – December 2015
- Avonline Broadband – Information Leaflets

0744. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

a) PLANNING DECISIONS/APPLICATIONS. Details of planning decisions and applications as circulated were AGREED by all Councillors and are listed below:-

REFERENCE	ADDRESS	DESCRIPTION	DECISION
15/03632/FUL	Land east of Town Farm Cottage, Stocksfield	Demolition of remaining wall and construction of one storey 2 bedroom house	Decision awaited
15/03002/OUT	Horsley Water Treatment works, Water Lane	Outline permission for proposed works to Horsley Water Treatment Works (some matters reserved)	GRANTED
15/01313/PREAPP	The Manse, Horsley	Demolition of wood and glass porch to front and rebuild enlarged porch using similar materials	
15/01344/PREAPP	Horsley Banks Farm	Biomass storage, garage and workshop and 10no horse stables	
15/04319/VARYCO	Oaten Lodge	Removal of condition 2 (occupancy) of approved planning application W73/142 (erection of farm cottage0	Decision awaited

0745. FINANCE

a) ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT. It was proposed by Cllr M D Senior seconded by Cllr P Taylor and AGREED accounts on the list as circulated be paid.

b) ACCOUNTS AND BUDGET REPORT UP TO 31/12/15. It was proposed by Cllr M D Senior, seconded by Cllr P Taylor and AGREED accept the budget report and accounts up to 31/12/2015

PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	NET OF VAT	VAT	CHEQUE AMOUNT	CHEQUE NO
Mrs A Senior	Clerical Services & Play area inspections	338.00		338.00	SO
HM Revenue Customs	PAYE	84.60		84.60	000840
Mrs A Senior	Play Area Inspection	75.00		75.00	000841
SLCC	Subscription	20.22		20.22	000842
Mrs A Senior	Expenses	20.61		20.61	000843

INCOME RECEIVED		AMOUNT	DATE
NAME	DESCRIPTION		
Lloyds Bank	Interest	0.38	10.11.15
Lloyds Bank	Interest	0.20	10.12.15
Lloyds Bank	Interest	0.20	09.12.15
The Hearth, Horsley WI, Horsley Garden Club	Reimbursement of remembrance day wreaths	51.00	26.11.15
Lloyds Bank	Interest	0.22	11.01.16

0746. QUEEN'S 90TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS. Plans were progressing. The marquee had been booked and it is hoped that NWL will cover the costs. A party entertainer has been booked and the group are looking to book a band. Cllr A Turnbull is looking to arrange a quiz. It was proposed by Cllr M D Senior, seconded by Cllr A Turnbull and AGREED that the Parish Council would contribute up to a maximum of £1000 to cover costs.

0747. VILLAGE ISSUES.

a) PLAY AREA. It was noted that the tarmac area is covered in green moss making the surface very slippery. The skate ramp is also covered in graffiti which needs to be removed.

0748. REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON COMMITTEES

a) Ovingham Joint Burial Committee. Nothing to report.

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b) **EAST TYNEDALE PARISH AND TOWN COUNCILS FORUM.** A meeting had been held on 13 January 2016 and the minutes will be circulated.

0749. HORSLEY WOODS. The wood had been bought by Edwin Thompson who have a 5 year plan to fell high value oak and beech. Work is to start in late summer with access via Mill Way. Concerns were expressed by councillors and residents over the increase in traffic through the village. It was thought that NCC should be surveying the road before the work starts.

0750. DATE OF NEXT MEETING. The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday 21st March 2016 at 7.00pm in the WI Hall.

Signed as an accurate record