

HORSLEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 18 MARCH 2019 AT 7.00PM IN THE WI/VILLAGE HALL (Draft Minutes Subject to Council Approval)

- 1119. PRESENT:** Cllr M D Senior, Chairman of the Council together with C Turnbull, R D Lillie, Mrs S Glover, S Lynch
In attendance: Mrs M Senior, Clerk to the Council
County Councillor Karen Quinn
Mike Foster – Northumbrian Water
Richard Woodhouse – Northumbrian Water
- 1120. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE –** Cllr C Roe
- 1121. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.** None
- 1122. UPDATE ON HORSLEY WATER TREATMENT WORKS UPGRADE.** Mike Foster and Richard Woodhouse attended the meeting to give an update on the upgrade of the Treatment Works. The commissioning stage of the works will commence shortly. The work should be operational by the end of the summer however cold weather testing will need to be carried out in January/February/March 2019 and the site fully operational by March 2020.
- Lighting.** Cllr S Lynch advised that the lighting on the site is on all day. Northumbrian Water advised that they are considering modifying the lights to create a dark sky approach.
- Security fencing.** It was noted that the security fencing is due to be installed in 2020. No trees are being felled. There needs to be a 3m exclusion zone from the fence. The contractors still need to agree the final landscaping of the site with the Planning Department and this will also include the mound. Once the existing site is demolished the mound will be distributed within the site. Northumbrian Water will come back to the Parish Council with a firm plan.
- Play Area.** Northumbrian Water had looked at options and a spider swing had been chosen by children in the village. The cost of these ranges from £5K to £12K. The Parish Council will obtain quotes from Kompan who have undertaken work in the park previously. Northumbrian Water agreed to meet on site to discuss the removal of the soil heap and old trim trail equipment. The Parish Council advised that there are only 7 years left on the lease with Northumberland Estates. A letter will be sent to Northumberland Estates asking if the lease can/will be extended.
- Security Cabin.** A security cabin had been placed at the gates for the usual period. This is to discourage the travellers passing through to Appleby from camping onsite.
- Weekend working.** The contractors will be working onsite over the next 3 weekends.
- Donation.** Northumbrian Water had agreed to donate some wooden seating in the Hearth Car Park. The Parish Council were happy to agree to this.
- 1123. RESIDENTS.**
- FOOTPATH REPORT.** It was noted that a new stile had been installed at Horsley Banks Farm which now restricted access for walkers with dogs. Access has been made more difficult by the positioning of three large flower tubs beside the stile. The official finger post marking the way to the footpath from the main road has disappeared. **Action: This had been reported to Tim Fish, NCC.**
The stile on the public right of way on the Ovingham Road is covered in brambles. **Action: Tim Fish is to look at this within the next few days.**
 - STREET LIGHTING.** It was noted there are still street lights in Horsley which have not been converted to LED. Northumberland County Council is currently in dispute with the street lighting contractor therefore work has not been completed.
 - HEDGES.** The responsibility for cutting the hedges along the edge of the football field and Water Lane was queried. This will be confirmed in due course.
- 1124. COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT.** Karen Quinn gave her verbal report on matters relating to Northumberland County Council.
- DOG FOULING.** A review of the Green Dog Walkers Scheme had been carried out and complaints are down by 30%.
 - SPEED SURVEYS.** The speed survey is on the list to be carried out on Mill Way.
 - MEMBER FUNDING.** Karen had agreed to fund new heating and windows in the Village Hall from her 2019-20 member funding.
 - NEWCASTLE AIRPORT.** A meeting is to be held in the Knott Memorial Hall, Heddon on the Wall on Tuesday 19 March 2019 at 6.30pm with Newcastle Airport to provide an update on departure routes.
- 1125. MINUTES.** It was proposed by Cllr M D Senior, seconded by Cllr C Turnbull and AGREED that the minutes of the meeting held on **21 January 2019** be signed as an accurate record.
- 1126. MATTERS ARISING -** None
- 1127. 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.

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1128. TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE ORDER – OATENS BANK. Northumberland County have made an order to prohibit the use of vehicular traffic on the section of the C256 Oatens Bank from its junction with the B6318, heading south for 2400 metres. The order is to be effective from 27th February 2019 until 30th May 2019. It is expected that the road will only be closed from 11th April to 12th April between the hours of 9.00am and 4.00pm. The closure has been requested by NCC for carriageway patching.

1129. A69 STYFORD ROUNDABOUT. Highways England has withdrawn the current proposals for the A69 Roundabout Works at Styford Roundabout. They will be consulting with local residents and Northumberland County Council to look at alternative design options in the future.

1130. INFORMATION ITEMS

- NALC – weekly eNews
- Northumberland County Council – Highway Services in Winter 2018
- Clerks and Councils Direct – February 2019 Issue 122

1131. 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
19/00069/VARYCO	Tulip Cottage, Horsley	Variation of condition 2 (materials) pursuant to planning permission 18/010151/VARYCO order to reconstruct the chimney stack in brick instead of stone (retrospective)	GRANTED
18/03028/FUL	Land South West of Welton Town Farm, Stocksfield	Retrospective planning permission for change of use of land to residential curtilage and creation of a new access	WITHDRAWN
19/00206/FUL	The Hearth, The Manse, Horsley	Proposed to build shed in the courtyard	Decision awaited
19/00668/FUL	Southside, Horsley	New conservatory in rear courtyard	Decision awaited

1132. FINANCE

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

b) ACCOUNTS UP TO 18 MARCH 2019. Accounts were presented up to 18 March 2019. The estimated end of year balance is £6809.47.

PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	NET OF VAT	VAT	CHEQUE AMOUNT	CHEQUE NO
Mrs A Senior	Salary	341.65		341.65	SO
HM Revenue Customs	PAYE	85.40		85.40	000966
Mrs A Senior	Play area inspections	75.00		75.00	000967
Horsley Village Hall	Hall rental	20.00		20.00	000971
Mrs A Senior	Postages	19.81		19.81	000969
Spanglefish	Website hosting	29.95	4.99	24.96	000970
Income					
Lloyds Bank	Interest	0.27		0.27	11.02.19
Lloyds Bank	Interest	0.23		0.23	10.03.19
SLCC Subscription	Refund – duplicated payment	37.43		37.43	07.02.19
H M Revenue Customs	VAT refund	137.12		137.12	06.03.19

1133. VILLAGE ISSUES

- a) LITTER PICK.** Several residents pick litter on a regular basis however there are still some areas that are not covered. An additional litter pick has been arranged for 13th-14th April. Equipment will be provided for anyone wanting to help.
- b) VILLAGE CLEAR UP.** Several residents had offered to clear the paths at the west end of the village once the weather starts to improve.
- c) TREE PLANTING.** It was noted that the Gardening Club had planted trees on the grass verge to the west of the Water Works entrance. Any tree planting needs the permission of Northumberland County Council and concerns were expressed as there are services which run underground along this section of verge. The Gardening Club will look to relocate the trees.
- d) H BARS ACROSS JUNCTIONS/DRIVEWAYS.** County Councillor Karen Quinn advised that Northumberland County Council are not keen to paint H bars as they are ineffective and not enforceable. Any cars causing an obstruction can be reported to the police.

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1134. REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON COMMITTEES

a) **OVINGHAM JOINT BURIAL COMMITTEE.** The maintenance of the chapels is ongoing. One of the chapels is being rented out as a storage facility.

b) **EAST TYNEDALE PARISH AND TOWN COUNCILS FORUM.** Nothing to report.

1135. DATE OF NEXT MEETING. The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday 20th May 2019 at 7.00pm in the WI Hall. This will be the Annual Parish Meeting followed by the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council.

Signed as an accurate record