

## HORSLEY PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2015 AT 7.00PM IN THE WI/VILLAGE HALL

**0701. PRESENT:** Cllr M D Senior, Chairman of the Council together with Cllrs S Lynch, D Lillie, A Turnbull and P Taylor.

In attendance: Mrs M Senior, Clerk to the Council

**0702. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.** Cllr C Rodgers and County Councillor P Kelly

**0703. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.** Cllr A Turnbull declared a personal interest in matters relating to Northumbria Water.

**0704. RESIDENTS.**

a) **FOOTPATH REPORT.** Maurice Holliday advised that the paths had not been cut through the crops again this year from Northside to Horsley Hill. The footpath at Spital had improved by default due to the off roaders creating a path. Footpath at South Farms is severely overgrown. Horses have eaten away two gates dividing the path between Dunslaw and Horsley Hills. These issues will be reported to Northumberland County Council.

b) **DOG FOULING.** Several residents are concerned about dog fouling in and around the village. Letters are to be posted to all households to inform residents about the problem and ask that they clean up after their animals. Dog waste can be placed in all the village litter bins as well as the dog bins provided.

c) **FOOTPATHS.** It was noted that the footpath at the west end of the village had still not been reinstated following building work to the end cottage.

**0705. MINUTES.** It was proposed by Cllr S Lynch, seconded by Cllr P Taylor and AGREED that the minutes of the meeting held on **20 July 2015** be signed as an accurate record.

**0706. CORRESPONDENCE.** All correspondence and information items received since the July meeting had been listed on the agenda and most of this correspondence had been circulated by email.

a) **Northumberland Local Plan Core Strategy** – Drop in sessions have been arranged in each of the Main Towns and Service Centres. These sessions will consist of a small exhibition with staff involved in preparing the pre-submission draft to answer questions and provide advice on how to respond to the consultation.

b) **Northumberland County Council Pre Application Engagement and Section 106 processes.** The three planning protocols that were recently consulted on will be implemented on 5<sup>th</sup> October 2015.

**0707. INFORMATION ITEMS**

- Clerks and Councils Direct – September 2015 – Issue 101
- NALC – eNews August 2015
- CAN eNews – July and August 2015
- Northumberland County Council – electronic permit leaflet and Pay As You Throw Leaflet.

**0708. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.**

a) **PLANNING DECISIONS/APPLICATIONS.** A map of the parish will be circulated to all councillors for information. Details of planning decisions and applications as circulated were AGREED by all Councillors and are listed below:-

REFERENCE	ADDRESS	DESCRIPTION	DECISION
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	APPEAL
15/02838/LBC	Moor View, Horsley	LBC to install proposed replacement windows with slim profile double glazing no more than 14mm depth as opposed to slim profile double glazing no more than 12mm depth as per condition no 4 application 14/04043/LBC	Decision awaited
15/02362/FUL	Laker Hall Farmhouse, Laker Hall, Stocksfield	Proposed demolition of existing garage/outbuilding and construction of single storey extension to side and rear of property.	GRANTED
15/02145/FUL	Land east of Town Farm Cottage, Stocksfield	Demolition of remaining wall and construction of one storey 2 bedroom house	REFUSED
15/03002/OUT	Horsley Water Treatment works, Water Lane	Outline permission for proposed works to Horsley Water Treatment Works (some matters reserved)	Decision awaited

**0709. FINANCE**

a) **ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.** It was proposed by Cllr S Lynch, seconded by Cllr D Lillie and AGREED accounts on the list as circulated be paid.

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- b) **TO AGREE RENEWAL OF PARISH COUNCIL INSURANCE.** It was proposed by Cllr S Lynch, seconded by Cllr P Taylor and AGREED to renew the insurance with Came and Company for a 3 year long term agreement at a premium of £960.93.

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	104.60		104.60	000827
Mrs A Senior	Expenses	11.08		11.08	000828
C Glew	Grass cutting	500.00		500.00	000829
Mrs A Senior	Play area inspections	75.00		75.00	000830
Broker Network Ltd	Insurance renewal	960.93		960.93	000831

INCOME RECEIVED			
NAME	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	DATE
Lloyds Bank	Interest	0.43	10.08.15
Lloyds Bank	Interest	0.40	09.09.15
Northumberland CC	Precept payment	5150.00	11.09.15

### 0710. VILLAGE ISSUES.

- a) **PLAY AREA.** The new roundabout is due to be installed week commencing 28 September. The annual independent play area inspection had been carried out and a report will be made to the council in due course.
- b) **OVINGHAM BRIDGE.** No further updates had been received although it had been heard that the bridge is unlikely to open this year.
- c) **LITTER PICK.** A litter pick is to take place on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2015. Equipment will be ordered from NCC and will be available outside 7 Stonecroft for volunteers to collect.
- d) **LITTER BIN.** A litter bin had been requested on Mill Way near to the cottages due to the amount of dog fouling in the area. Any requests for litter bins need to be authorised by Northumberland County Council. Once authorisation has been received it was AGREED to purchase a litter bin.
- e) **WATER WORKS.** The lack of co-operation between Northumbrian Water and the village was noted. Nothing had been done to reduce the noise and light pollution, clear the culvert at the bottom of Croft Lane and complaints had been received over the number and size of the vehicles in Mill Way. Planning application received (15/3002/OUT) for outline permission to upgrade the Treatment Works. It was noted that the trees planted to screen the water works are to be removed during the upgrade however had never been very successful. It was noted that any further tree planting would be with fast growing trees to screen the works. Plans for the upgrade can be viewed at <http://publicaccess.northumberland.gov.uk/online-applications>. It was agreed to arrange a meeting with NWL to discuss the various ongoing problems and to establish when the public information session would be held.
- f) **WEBSITE.** Due to the number of negative comments being published in the guestbook section of the website, it was AGREED to close this section down with immediate effect.
- g) **SEAT.** Thanks were expressed to Terry Mulligan and Frank Brennan for installing the seat at the eastbound bus stop opposite South Farm.

0711. **QUEEN'S 90<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS.** A meeting is to be held on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October at 7.00pm with members of the WI, Garden Club and Parish Council to put together some ideas of how Horsley can celebrate the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday. Cllrs S Lynch, A Turnbull and P Taylor will attend.

### 0712. REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON COMMITTEES

- a) **OVINGHAM JOINT BURIAL COMMITTEE.** Several headstones in the cemetery had been vandalised. A meeting is due to be held shortly and a report will be made to the council in due course.
- b) **EAST TYNEDALE PARISH AND TOWN COUNCILS FORUM.** The next meeting is to be held in October and a report will be made at the November meeting.

0713. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING.** The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2015 at 7.00pm in the WI Hall.

Signed as an accurate record