MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 15 NOVEMBER 2021

PRESENT: Cllrs M D Senior, Chairman of the Council together with Cllrs R D Lillie , C Roe, C Turnbull and Mrs S Glover

In attendance: Mrs Mandy Senior, Clerk to the Council; Holly Waddell, County Councillor

- 1121.01 APOLOGIES. Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr S Lynch.
- 1121.02 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.** None.
- 1121.03 **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 20TH SEPTEMBER 2021.** It was proposed by Cllr M D Senior, seconded by Cllr Mrs S Glover, and AGREED that the minutes of the meeting held on **20th SEPTEMBER 2021** be signed as an accurate record.

1121.04 ACTIONS ARISING FROM THE MEETING HELD ON 20th SEPTEMBER 2021.

- a) **Tree Planting.** The trees from the Woodland Trust have been received. These will need to be grown on in pots before planting out onto the highway verge.
- 1121.05 **COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT.** Councillor Holly Waddell gave her verbal report on matters relating to Northumberland County Council and at a more local level. She had attended a LTP Priorities meeting where the traffic calming request for Horsley is on the list. It will not be known until February/March 2022 if this request will be going ahead. Northumberland County Council has an initiative called Northumberland Communities Together which can give support to residents throughout the County and help with shopping, prescriptions, concerns with neighbours, financial worries, people struggling with mental health and much more. They can be contacted on 01670 620015 9am-6pm 7 days a week.

One resident asked about the possibility of Horsley ever getting on/off ramps to the A69 so that traffic from Ovingham/Prudhoe and Heddon/Wylam did not have to come through the village. Councillor Waddell is to look to see if there is anything similar in the County however this would take some time and information would not be available for the next meeting. This would be a Highways England initiative.

The Parish Council requested Councillor Waddell's assistance on the following matters:

- Complaints regarding parked cars up to the end of junctions had once again been received. White H bars had been installed several years ago however these are now faded and need to be refreshed. Councillor Waddell advised that problems are being seen in Ovingham and it has been arranged for a vehicle which logs all registrations of cars that are parked badly and sends them a warning letter. She will try to arrange for the vehicle to travel through Horsley.
- Bus Stop. The bus stop sign had been removed over 12 months ago and not replaced and the road markings are also worn. Residents had complained that the bus was not stopping at the Lion and Lamb because of this. The sign needs to be replaced and the yellow lines refreshed.

1121.06 **CORRESPONDENCE** received since the September meeting had been circulated to all councillors by email and noted.

- Northumberland County Council Invitation to virtual launch and Q&A for the Community Climate Champion programme on 29 September 2021 via Zoom.
- Northumberland County Council Statement of Licensing Policy Consultation
- Northumberland County Council Parish Precepts 2022-2023.
- Footpath Report
- Community Action Northumberland CAN eNews October/November 2021
- National Association of Local Councils Weekly news

1121.07 FINANCE

- a) **ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.** It was proposed by Cllr M D Senior, seconded by Cllr C Roe and AGREED to approve the expenditure on the list circulated.
- b) TO CONSIDER DRAFT BUDGET AND SET PRECEPT FOR 2022-23. After discussion, it was proposed by Cllr M D Senior, seconded by Cllr C Roe and AGREED to accept the budget for 2022-23 and levy a precept of £11,500 on NCC for the year 2022-2023.
- c) **TO CONSIDER REQUEST FOR GRANT AID FROM GREAT NORTH AIR AMBULANCE.** It was proposed by Cllr M D Senior, seconded by Cllr R D Lillie and AGREED to grant £150.00.

PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	NET OF VAT	VAT	CHEQUE AMOUNT	CHEQUE NO
Wylam PC – OJBC	Ovingham Cemetery contribution	900.00		900.00	BACS
RBL Poppy Appeal	Remembrance Day Wreath	30.00		30.00	001014
Mrs A Senior	Salary	366.07		366.07	SO

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HM Revenue Customs	PAYE	91.40	91.40	BACS
Mrs A Senior	Play area inspections	75.00	75.00	BACS
A Jackson	Grass cutting	625.00	625.00	BACS
Horsley WI Hall	Hall rent	40.00	40.00	001015
Northumberland Estates	Play area rent	275.00	275.00	BACS
(Earl Percy Northern				
Estate)				
Income				
Lloyds Bank	Interest	0.10	0.10	11.10.21
Lloyds Bank	Interest	0.08	0.08	09.11.21

0921.08 **PLANNING**

a) PLANNING DECISIONS. It was AGREED that the Council receive the details of the Planning Decisions made by Northumberland County Council, in accordance with the list circulated.
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REFERENCE	ADDRESS	DESCRIPTION	DECISION		
21/03088/FUL	Northumbrian Water, Ovingham	Installation of temporary construction compound and associated temporary buildings	Decision awaited		
21/02481/VARYCO	Dans Waterside Cottage, Welton	Variation of condition 1 (approved plans) to allow glass roof to gin gan and changes to size of 2no windows to the rear and discharge of condition 4 (archaeology) on approved application 17/01792/VARYCO	Decision awaited		
21/04329/ADE	Lion and Lamb, Horsley	Advertisement consent for 2 x non illuminated amenity boards and 1 x double sided illuminated projecting sign fixed to existing bracket	Decision awaited		

1121.09 VILLAGE ISSUES

- a) TO CONSIDER OFFICE OF CUPBOARD FOR THE BOOK SWAP IN THE BUS SHELTER OPPOSITE THE LION AND LAMB. An offer had been received of a cupboard to be installed in the bus stop opposite the Lion and Lamb, free of charge. The litter bin will need to be slightly moved and the cupboard will fit on the same wall. This will keep the books in a central location and dry. It was AGREED to accept the kind offer.
- b) TO CONSIDER ANY GROUNDS MAINTENANCE WORK WHICH NEEDS TO BE COMPLETED IN THE VILLAGE. The grass cutting is now finished for the year. It was agreed to ask the contractor to carry out the following work: clear moss and weeds from skatepark; clear footpath to west of village along the wall and footpath to the east where it narrows.

1121.10 REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON COMMITTEES

- a) OVINGHAM JOINT BURIAL COMMITTEE. The next meeting is to be held at the end of November.
 b) EAST TYNEDALE PARISH COUNCILS' FORUM. Minutes of the meeting held on 15th October had been circulated and were noted. The request for financial assistance will be sent out by the end of the year. Horsley PC's contribution is £20 for a 12–18-month period. It was AGREED to support the Forum for another year. NCC's Climate Change Team had attended the last meeting to give a presentation. It was noted that NCC has a budget to install electric vehicle charging points. They will install at commercial premises as long as they can be used by members of the public.
- 1121.11 **OBSERVER GOVERNOR HEDDON FIRST SCHOOL.** Cllr R D Lillie is the observing governor at Heddon First School however had not been contacted by them for several years. Cllr R D Lillie is stepping down from this role.
- 1121.12 **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING.** The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday 17 January 2022 at 7pm in Horsley WI Hall.

Signed as an accurate record.