

DRAFT MINUTES OF KNARSDALE WITH KIRKHAUGH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD MONDAY 15TH NOVEMBER 2021 HELD AT 7.30PM

Present: Cllrs M Mennie (Chair), Cllr JJ Raine (Vice Chair), A Armstrong, J Grieves, T Moore & J Reed.
Apologies: Cllrs W Watson & I Hutchinson (NCC)

Public Question –Must be submitted in writing prior to Parish Council meetings to allow for a detailed and accurate response. None received.

1. Minutes (including any ratification of decisions taken) of meetings held 13th September 2021 were agreed and signed.

2. Declaration of Interest: None.

3. Matters Arising:

Highway Issues: Car park entrance - drainage issues still to be resolved. Clerk to contact Highways and request a meeting with T Moore/J Reed to enable them to show Highways all the issues, including no white lines between Lintley and Slaggyford/slow signs not renewed.

Burnstones bridge stones displaced – no update. Cllr Hutchinson still seeking clarification on track status – public right of way or a permission right of way.

Railway bridge over the Knarr (South Tyne Trail) only a single rail (previously 3 Rails), not safe for children or animals – Clerk to contact NCC.

Low Bridge sign at Lambley re-sited but still not suitable (not readable when driving).

Parking on the road at Burnstones Bridge – will continue to monitor.

Old School: M Mennie to speak to G Opperman.

The Hearse House: Following discussions between the Vicar and M Mennie, together with written supporting evidence, this building is owned by the Church and their responsibility.

South Tyne Railway: The field is unsightly and needs attention, there is a dangerous drop from the Trail between the bridge and the station crossing. Clerk to contact STR and request someone to come to a Meeting to give an update.

Encroachment of Village Green: No update.

Litter Bin beside the bottle bank: NCC informed the Parish Council this was being removed without any consultation, Cllr Hutchinson to speak with the relevant person again regarding the reinstatement as the Parish Council did purchase a static bin to be placed there when the bottle bank was first sited there. Clerk to follow up.

Village Green: The trees/shrubs by the layby are in need of pruning. Cllr Mennie will sort something.

Tree Preservation Order: pear tree at The Eals – no update.

4. Planning Applications:

21/03773/FUL – Construction of a childrens trail course – Robinwood Activity Centre, Barhaugh Hall, Alston CA9 3NJ

21/04292/FUL – Part Retrospective: Proposed container sited for storage, construction of building for extension to Farmshop & Cafe – The Farmshop, Epiacum Roman Fort, Kirkhaugh CA9 3BG.

5. Financial:

Monies: £11,640.73 (includes £972 ring fenced Transparency Grant).

LESS £148.80 Cumbria Software Systems, £50.00 Poppy Appeal = £11,441.93 (includes £972 ring fenced Transparency Grant).

Online Banking: necessary documentation being processed.

NCC 2022/23 Precept After discussion and reviewing the budget it was proposed, seconded and agreed by the Council to increase precept by 2% (£93), making it £4,747.00. The necessary paperwork to be signed.

6. Grass Cutting:

Tenders to be sent out.

7. Maintenance Tender:

Tenders to be sent out.

8. Transparency, Open-ness & Accountability:

Nothing to report, policies, procedures etc – will continue to be reviewed and amended as necessary.

9. Tynedale Local Area Council:

Next meeting – January 2022.

10. Correspondence:

North Pennines AONB Partnership AGM 23/11/21.

11. Any Other Business:

South Tyne Trail: vehicles using it as a road, accessing it from Burnstones, travelling at speed – churning up surface and a danger to walkers – Clerk to contact NCC Rights of Way.

Retaining Wall Opposite Kirkstyle – NCC’s responsibility and they are also responsible for maintaining the field wall boundary.

12. Date of Next Meeting: Monday 10th January 2022 at 7.30p.m.

Meeting closed at 9.05p.m.