

DRAFT MINUTES OF KNARSDALE WITH KIRKHAUGH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD MONDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER 2021 AT 7.30p.m.

Meeting commenced at 8.00p.m. following on from the Annual Meeting.

Present: Cllrs M Mennie (Chair), , A Armstrong, J Grieves, T Moore, J Reed & I Hutchinson (NCC).

Apologies: Cllr JJ Raine (Vice Chair) & W Watson.

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 12th July 2021 were agreed and signed.

2. Declaration of Interest: Planning – I Hutchinson.

Cllr Mennie proposed moving the following two items to the end of the meeting, Old School and The Hearse House, seconded by Cllr Armstrong and agreed by all.

3. Matters Arising:

Highway Issues: Car park entrance - NCC to carry out the necessary work and recharge STR. The drainage issues now mean the road up the village needs attention, perhaps this can be rectified when the work at the Car Park entrance is done.

Continuous reporting issues - potholes, cutting back of branches/hedges, verges, blocked drains etc. All so drainage still a problem in various places including beside the Community Hall, road beside Side house.

Burnstones bridge stones displaced – no update. Cllr Hutchinson still seeking clarification on track status – public right of way or a permission right of way. Low Bridge sign at Lambley to be re-sited to a more visible position still to be addressed. Parking on the road at Burnstones Bridge still a problem.

South Tyne Railway: The transfer of the train track to STR has not taken place.

Encroachment of Village Green: Enforcement visiting next week, old photographs to be forwarded to Cllr Hutchinson.

Watering Hole: Very boggy, work had been due to be carried out but unfortunately this has been overlooked, Mr N Dawson NCC to action this issue.

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.

Village Green: In addition to the tree on the green (which is lit up at Christmas) the trees/shrubs by the layby are in need of pruning. Cllr Mennie will try and sort something. The goalposts have been painted.

4. Planning Applications:

Cllr Hutchinson left the room

21/01642/CLEXIS – Certificate of lawful development of an existing use – Land north of High Row, Alston

21/02430/FUL – Proposed portico – The Croft Slaggyford CA8 7HN – NCC Granted Permission.

5. Local Transport Plan 2022-23:

Resurfacing road Burnstones to Kirkstyle, roadside drainage along the A689, cutting back trees/hedges within the parish including road over the Station to the Knarr.

6. Financial:

Monies: : £297.85 + £11,357.87 includes 2nd Precept payment, VAT refund and Wayleave Payment = £11,655.72 (includes £972 ring fenced Transparency Grant).

Banking charges discussed, Cllr Mennie proposed, Cllr Moore seconded, all Cllrs agreed to close the small Business Money Manager account and transfer monies to the Community Account. Cllrs also agreed to move to online banking wherever possible to further reduce charges.

7. Grass Cutting: This was discussed at the earlier meeting and it was agreed the work is up for tender next season, and instead of 6 times the tender would be for cutting & strimming 8 times between

Signed: Date:

April – Oct, no collection of grass. A Parish Councillor would check up on the work carried out.

8. Maintenance Tender:

Tenders to be sent out.

9. Transparency, Open-ness & Accountability:

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

10. Tynedale Local Area Council:

Next meeting - 14/9/21.

11. Correspondence:

NCC Climate Emergency Declarations.

12. Any Other Business:

There has been a request for a Tree Preservation Order to be placed on a pear tree at The Eals – Cllr Mennie to action.

Confidential Matters: Resolution to Exclude Press and Public.

To consider a resolution to exclude the public and accredited representatives of newspapers from the following item relevant to a subject which affects the Council's area.

Resolution

“That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted it is advisable in the public interest that the public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.”

The resolution is moved under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 (as extended by s.100 of the Local Government Act 1972), the public and accredited representatives of newspapers be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1072 by virtue of the paragraph specified against the item.

Proposed Cllr M Mennie **Seconded** Cllr J Grieves **AGREED**

Members of the public left the meeting.

A confidential minute was taken.

Old School:

The Hearse House:

11. Date of Next Meeting: Monday 15th November 2021 at 7.30p.m.

Meeting closed at 9.15p.m.