



Cresswell Parish Council (CPC)

Parish Council Meeting

Held Wednesday 19th July 2023

Cresswell Village Hall 7pm

23.20 Present

Councillors: Dr C Tyrie(Chairman) D Laing(Vice chairman),S Tyrie,P Wilson,C Wilson, S Haywood.

In attendance:

M Burn (Clerk)

Members of the public attending x10

Introductions were made by all those present at the meeting

23.21 Apologies for absence received:

Cllr A Stoodley

23.22 Declaration of Interests, and grant of any dispensations:

None

23.23 Public Questions Received in Advance of the meeting:

None

23.24 Minutes of previous meeting: (Chairman)

The minutes of the previous meeting on 24th May 2023 were agreed as correct and signed by the Chairman.Attendees were reminded that minutes are available on the CPC website.

23.25 Matters Arising from the Minutes (unless separately on the agenda)

(23.25.01) (Chairman)Informed the meeting that NCC had appointed a new lead officer for the Lynemouth Bay regeneration project and the scheme was

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due to begin April 2024. The Coal Authority is proposing to begin a clean up of the river mouth by 2024/25.

(23.25.02) Cllr C Tyrie updated the meeting regarding the trees planted on the village green (22.30.01). Trees are to be relocated at the end of the season, expected to be in September or October.

23.26 Correspondence:

(23.26.01) The meeting was informed that items were circulated on a regular basis to Cllrs including from NALC, Rural services, Powergrid Ltd and NCC Local Transport Planning & others. Notification had been received regarding the introduction of Library vans provided by NCC. Unfortunately no van will be visiting the parish with the nearest being Linton Village or Ulgham.

(23.26.02) A request for financial assistance was received from the charity Citizens Advice. Council agreed to support this request with a grant award of 100.00 GBP. Cllr C Tyrie explained the proportion of grants per parishioner was limited by regulation. Clerk noted the current policy stated a date deadline for grant applications had expired for 2023 however Councilors agreed to proceed with the grant since the request had first been requested in early May (Clerk to action).

(23.26.03) Coal Authority, Environmental Agency, NCC and Northumbrian Water have received a multi agency letter by email from CPC requesting joint action at the River Lyne to ensure there will be no 'pooling' of effluent as released by the sewage treatment works into the river Lyne, as well as cleaning up to the south of the river mouth as well as the proposed works to the north.

(23.26.04) Northumbrian Water have responded to (23.26.03) stating it is the responsibility of the EA to survey the river. Clerk to forward the response to the EA.

23.27 Financial Matters: (Chair & Clerk)

(23.27.01) Clerk confirmed the closure of the period of public rights will be 21st July.

(23.27.02) The payment for assistance with the internal audit process was made with thanks to Mr Dodd for his assistance.

(23.27.03) Wayleave payment for 190.00GBP from Powergrid to cover 30 yrs to replace annual cheque has been received and paid into CPC accounts.

(23.25.04) Invoice above 100.00GBP was paid out to Zurich Insurance Ltd a sum of 718.53GBP 6th June 2023.

23.28 Planning:

(23.28.01) Planning permission to surface the carriage track in the rear of the Retreat has been granted. CPC objected to this planning submission by Parkdean Ltd. Cllr Laing was in attendance and spoke during the decision process on behalf of the Council.

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(23.28.02) In accordance with planning advice provided by NCC councillors at the above meeting (23.28.01) CPC have applied to protect the woodland extending from the Pele Tower to the open land on the Parkdean caravan park with a Tree Preservation Order (TPO). This has been acknowledged by planning at NCC with now CPC awaiting updates. It would appear a previous TPO on the site dated 1983 has now been revoked by NCC with formal documents now in possession of the clerk at CPC.

(23.28.03) Planning application received 23/02327/FUL The Smithy Dovecote Mews Cresswell Home Farm. Chair suggested a site visit by councillors would be appropriate, explaining several planning applications relating to Home Farm were now in possession of the council, however these were submitted too late for the agenda. (Chair to action)

23.29 Communications:

(23.29.01) Cllr Stoodley has provided an update. The June Newsletter was issued with 1 hard copy delivered. The Council notice board also displays the information.

(23.29.02) The CPC Facebook page has 145 Likes & 162 Followers. The most engaged item is the newsletter at 166.

23.30 Council Policies Annual Review:

(23.30.01) (Chair) informed the meeting CPC will review all policies on an annual basis. Clerk confirmed several updates had been received and action in due course. Revised policies will be available on the council website.

(23.30.02) Introduction of policy for Park Bench applications within the parish was made and the policy was adopted by council.

(23.30.03) Introduction was made for Metal Detection policy within the parish boundary, this was adopted by council.

23.31 Formal grant request Received from Citizens Advice:

(23.31.01) (Chair) The matter was discussed in Correspondence (23.26.02).

23.32 Anti Social Behaviour (ASB):

(23.32.01) Discussion took place regarding ASB issues, clerk confirmed one report of motorbike nuisance at Home Farm. (Chair) encouraged everyone to take responsibility to report ASB behaviour using the 101 telephone or website.

(23.32.02) Questions regarding the use of the garden plots were raised by several members of the public. Cllr Laing explained that CPC were aware of issues and had been assured by NCC that some of the 'plots' were used by invitation of the owners. However NCC had since been requested to investigate as 'other' plots were occupied and incidents of ASB had been observed. Discussion took place regarding the future use of the garden plots with views exchanged regarding the possible development onto each site.

23.33 Village Hall Support:

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(23.33.01) (Chair) Discussion took place regarding use of the hall and structure of the hall committee. Clerk confirmed only 3 people are supporting the hall as the committee. Attendees were encouraged by the Chair to consider supporting the hall committee as well as promoting the hall for any future use to the wider public. It was noted that the hall can be reserved online via the hall website or by telephone as shown on the internet. [Cresswell Village Hall](#)

23.34 Solar Speed Panels:

(23.33.01) Cllr Laing informed the meeting that the panels were not reporting actual speed with an amber colour warning not red. A technician from SWARCO Traffic Ltd will be visiting the site and working with councillors to adjust the panels. Discussion took place regarding speeding in the parish, Cllr Wilson and members of the public agreed, the general view that the speed of most vehicles had reduced since the introduction of the solar speed panels.

The meeting closed at 19:55

23:34 Date of Next meeting:

Wednesday 13th September 7pm

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Signed.....Dr C Tyrie (Chairman)

Date.....

