

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF HORSLEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 15th JANUARY 2024 AT 7.00PM IN HORSLEY WI HALL

PRESENT: Cllrs M D Senior, Chairman of the Council together with Cllr C Roe, Cllr C Turnbull, Cllr S A Lynch, and Cllr S Glover.

0124.01 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received County Councillor Holly Waddell.

0124.02 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made.

0124.03 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

It was agreed to approve the minutes of the Meeting held on 20th November 2023.

0124.04 PUBLIC TO RAISE MATTERS IN RELATION TO HORSLEY PARISH

- Alnwick Estates to be contacted re paddock behind Horsley Hills Estate both fences broken.
- Hedgerow at west end of the village is overgrowing the path, parishioner John Bramwell offered to have a look with a view to cutting. NCC on list.
- Farmer J Bramwell asked if Parish Council could request further calming measures on west slip road as multiple vehicles still crashing through his hedge. Clerk to contact Highways on progression.
- Sign on A69 crossing with Pedestrians crossing underneath triangular sign needed.

0124.05 MATTERS ARISING & REVIEW OF ACTIONS

- **NWL Update.** Representatives attended from Northumbrian Water Ltd & Bentley Contractors. Paul Featherstone from NWL who has replaced Mike Foster as project manager gave an update:
 - Lighting on site, looking to implement timers on lights will switch off after certain times.
Walkways will still need lighting.
 - Traffic issues with HGV's contractors reinforced message not to go through village.
 - Mound on Mill Way has been reduced 20% and due be reduced further.
 - Dry-stone walls to be repaired that have been damaged recently.
 - Screening with hedging around the fence must be 5m away and still looking at options with estates team.
 - Footpath in Horsley Wood, work ongoing and will repair path after at end of March 2024.
 - A request has been made from Cllr S Glover regarding if NWL can grit all of Mill Way.
- **Parking at Hearth for future events.** Letter sent to Hearth Trustees regarding parking issues and they will respond after their next trustees meeting.
- **Installation Activated Sign.** On Highways List. Clerk to contact Alston Electrics and they said they can probably install them.
- **Lead Lane Gate** This should be done soon, awaiting Tim Fish information.
- **White H Lines and Rumble Strips** This has been requested to Small Schemes through County Councillor Waddell: awaiting update.
- **Highway Issues** Contact Mike King about Hedges west of Village and Clearing Gutters and drains from NWL, two still to be done.

0124.06 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

No report had been received from County Councillor Waddell.

0124.07 VACANCY

Formal process of notice of vacancy to be registered with County Council and copy to be placed on village notice boards.

0124.08 CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence on attached list was provided below.

SENDER	MOST OF THESE HAVE ALREADY BEEN FORWARDED TO COUNCILLORS BY EMAIL
CAN England	Newsletter
NALC	December news and Weekly news - e
Community Action Northumberland	Monthly CAN news - e

0124.09 FINANCE

It was AGREED by Cllr M D Senior and Cllr S A Lynch to approve the expenditure on the list circulated below.

PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	NET AMOUNT	VAT	GROSS AMOUNT	PAYMENT METHOD
HM Revenue and Customs	PAYE	151.40		151.40	BACS
Plexus Media Website	Hosting	65.00	13.00	78.00	BACS
Mr A Turnbull	Clerical Services	404.82		404.82	BACS
Paper stone	New Noticeboard	182.81	36.56	219.37	BACS
Horsley WI	Donation Xmas Kids Boxes	80.00		80.00	BACS
A Jackson	Grass cutting	525.00		525.00	BACS
Horsley Village Hall Trust	3 Meets Nov 23 to Mar 24	81.00		81.00	BACS
INCOME					
Lloyds Bank	Interest December	14.21		14.21	BACS
Lloyds Bank	Interest January				BACS

2024/2025 PRECEPT

Precept was agreed and to be set at £12,000 same as previous year.

0124.10 PLANNING

Details of the planning proposals as circulated to all Councillors and are listed below.

REFERENCE	ADDRESS	DESCRIPTION	DECISION
23/03358/FUL	Outbuildings East of the March Barn Welton Northumberland	Variation of condition 2 (Approved Plans) to allow changes to window/door styles, site layout, construction of outbuildings/ attached buildings, insertion of flues and replacement of approved chimney with flue	Granted
23/04616/FUL	Horsley Banks Farm Horsley Newcastle Upon Tyne Northumberland NE15 0NS	Change of use of stable building to 1no. residential dwelling, with associated access and parking.	Appeal
23/02178/FUL	Thistledome 5 Laker Hall Farm Newton Stocksfield Northumberland	Part Retrospective: timber shed to rear of property, removal of garage door and replacement with window and door and installation of door to rear of garage, conservation roof window. (As Amended 21.12.23).	Pending

0124.11 VILLAGE ISSUES

- Replacement Noticeboard at Dunslaw Croft has been purchased and to be installed.
- Moles, East and West Village update. Traps have been set and caught multiple so far.
- Heat Pump, South Farm Planning Issue following concerns from resident and has been sent to planning enforcement team.
- Footbridge at Whittle Dene Reservoir, website request received from resident and been sent to Tim Fish.

0124.12 REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATION OF COUNCILLORS

There were no reports to be updated.

0124.13 ANY URGENT BUSINESS

There was no urgent business.

0124.14 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Next Meeting due to be held on Monday 18th March 2024.