

WARK PARISH COUNCIL

Chairman: Mr Edward Jeffrey

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Meeting to be held, Tuesday 6th September 2022 at 7pm, Stonehaugh Community Hall

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Apologies for Absence
2. Notification of Other Business
3. Declarations of Conflicts of Interest
4. Approval of Minutes
 - 4.1 23rd June 2022 – Wark Parish Council Meeting
5. Report from County Councillor
6. Presentation by Nigel Fisher from the Civil Contingencies Team. Presentation on Northumberland Community Resilience Programme. He'll also be willing to help the parish council with its Emergency Plan.
7. Presentation by Nick Morphet on Pump Track.
8. Matters Arising
 - 8.1 Stonehaugh Play Area – Provision/Order of new play equipment.
 - 8.2 Order MVS for Wark.
 - 8.3 Clearance of Storm Damage – Trees at Stonehaugh near Scott's yard.
 - 8.4 Sale of Land to Northern PowerGrid – Sign Legal documents for Stonehaugh Substation
 - 8.5 Chase Solicitor to complete matter which relates to the public toilet in Wark.
9. Correspondence and Planning Applications
 - 9.1 Proposed new EE 4G mast on forestry land, Wark Forest, Nr Hexham
 - 9.2 Planning Application Consultation 22NP0051 Cairnglastenhope, Wark Forest – email 16th Aug – deadline 6 Sept
 - 9.3 Planning Consultation 22/00971/FUL Hexham House Cottage Hexham Road Wark – Decision: Refused.
 - 9.4 Planning Consultation 22/02721/FUL Wark Methodist United Reformed Church Hexham Road Wark – Site Visit completed by two councillors; application supported by WPC.

- 9.5 Planning 21/00691/FUL Barns West Of Sadbury Hill Wark – Withdrawn by applicant.
- 9.6 22/01893/SN Street naming Consultation – comments to be submitted 21 September 2022.
- 9.7 Request for funding/donation received – Sport Tynedale
- 10. Highway Matters
 - 10.1 C205, 2017 ward lane resurfacing work and U5057 Coldcotes to Grindon. / Grindon to Scotch Coulthard (Henshaw parish)
 - 10.2 Request for signage to the American Gardens, Wark
 - 10.3 The Chipchase Castle nursery does not exist anymore – Can the signage in Wark be updated to reflect this?
 - 10.4 Update on Interactive signage, speed restrictions, EV charging points.
- 11. Financial Matters
 - 11.1 Accounts and Approve Payment Schedule
 - 11.2 Option to opt out of the SAAA central external auditor appointment arrangements – decision to be minuted.
 - 11.3 Apply to Giles Heron and Evans Trust
- 12. Reports from Representatives to Other Bodies (Wark Town Hall, Stonehaugh Community Hall and Giles Heron Trust)
- 13. Appointment of Councillor – To be advertised
- 14. Other Business – Not for Decision
- 15. Items for Discussion at Future Meetings
- 14. Date of Next Meeting:

Louise Keeney

Clerk to Wark Parish Council

WARK PARISH COUNCIL - NOTES

This paper sets out further information regarding items on the agenda:

- Item 9.1 Proposed new EE 4G mast on forestry land, Wark Forest, Nr Hexham - Email circulated, request for feedback on proposed new mast at the above address. The mast is being brought forward as part of the Shared Rural Network (SRN), described as “an ambitious plan to dramatically improve rural connectivity and close the digital divide”. The mast will provide EE 4G coverage to this area which is a partial not-spot (PNS). A PNS is where there is coverage from at least one, but not all the mobile operators.
- Item 11.2 Option to opt out of the SAAA central external auditor appointment - Please note: Now that the submission deadline for the 2021-22 Annual Governance and Accountability Returns has passed, this is to advise you of the option to opt-out of the next round of 5-year audit appointments. Opting out is a significant decision which requires careful consideration; to assist authorities considering opting out further guidance has been developed to clarify what opting out means in practice. This detailed information can be found at www.saaa.co.uk. An authority that wishes to opt out must formally reach and record that decision in a way that meets the requirements of its own governance framework, by convening a full council meeting or an extraordinary council meeting.