

**Cresswell Parish Council
Meeting Wednesday 3rd May 2022**

Village Hall 7:30PM

Minutes of the Meeting

21.42 Present

Councillors: S Haywood, E Rooney, D Laing Vice Chair,

In attendance:

M Burn (Clerk)

8 Members of the public

21.43 Apologies for absence

C Tyrie (Chair), A Stoodley

21.44 Declaration of interests, grant of any dispensations

None

21.45 Public questions

(21.45.01)A member of the public thanked the council for the clarification regarding the access to facilities at the Parkdean Holiday Park. Discussion took place regarding the matter with a suggestion that the 'residents user card' system could be introduced. Clerk confirmed that the manager of the caravan park had not in fact written to the council confirming the current arrangements.

21.46 Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting on 9th February 2022 were agreed as a true and accurate record and were signed and dated by the Chairman.

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

None

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21.48 Financial matters

(21.48.01) The clerk confirmed year end accounts had been circulated to Cllrs with no comments received.

(21.48.02) Clerk is attempting to arrange an internal audit but has not had a reply from the suggested auditor - clerk to chase up.

(21.48.03) Clerk to complete the AGAR documentation and submit for audit.

(21.48.04) Council agreed a 2% pay increase to the cleaner at a cost of 36GBP per year, effective immediately.

(21.48.05) Council agreed to meet the 10 month cost of internet costs as proposed by the council clerk, cost to council is 200GBP per year. Clerk thanked the council for that consideration.

(21.48.06) Clerk updated council that the community foundation was still considering the grant application made by council for 'speed awareness sensors'.

(21.48.07) Clerk informed council that the VAT refund was not forthcoming as HMRC had returned the documentation as incomplete. This was due to confusion of the dates. Clerk to re-submit the refund request.

21.49 Correspondence

(21.49.01) Clerk informed all attending that the council had received news updates from CAN, Rural services network and Countryside access network. all circulated to Cllrs.

(21.49.02) CELL evaluation form was submitted back to CELL in accordance with review of grant funding.

(21.49.03) Response from environment agency re letter of concern regarding Lynemouth bay - agenda item(14).

(21.49.04) Northumbria Police electronic subscription tool information, following discussion it was agreed to subscribe.

21.50 Planning

No applications to discuss

(21.50.01) Discussion took place regarding the implementation of the local plan. Cllr DL explained council was looking at examples of local planning and intended to progress with the matter following advice from County planning.

21.51 Highways Issues

(21.51.01) Cllr Laing updated council regarding the possible installation of three speed awareness panels. Discussion took place regarding the placement of the panels roadside. The number of panels will depend upon the success of the grant funding application.



(21.51.02) Discussion took place regarding the position of additional 'No Parking' signs onto various locations around the village green. Council agreed to purchase and put into place.

(21.51.03) Cllr Rooney requested if there was an opportunity to have a footpath provided from the village to the drift cafe? Cllr DL responded to say this was previously examined but deemed too expensive.

21.52 Garden Plots

(21.52.01) Clerk stated that planning appeared to have conflicting information regarding ownership. Cllr Tyrie will update the council when attending the future meeting of the council.

21.53 Communications

(21.53.01) Unfortunately Cllr Stoodley was unable to attend the meeting at short notice. However Cllr Rooney was able to inform the meeting that a draft newsletter was prepared for a next issue to be available in June. Various versions are available both in hard copy and electronic.

(21.53.02) Jubilee celebrations were subject to funding from Cllr S Dickinson who had agreed to support the parish plans. Clerk to send an invoice to Cllr Dickinson to secure the outstanding amount required.

21.54 Countryside Access Network - Correspondence received

(21.54.01) The clerk introduced the correspondence to the meeting explaining that the GLASS Association was encouraging the use of all countryside access lanes for motorised transport. Discussion took place regarding the issues in and around the parish and the conflict caused by anti-social behaviour of quad bike users and motorbikes used off road. Clerk to contact NALC for advice regarding the GLASS perspective and legal position of the council.

21.55 Parking Issues at car park on C110 sea front

(21.55.01) Cllr DL had attended a meeting of various invited agencies including NCC highways, unfortunately this meeting was poorly attended by other parish councils. Discussion took place regarding the reason for using height barriers at car parks and the occasional anti-social behaviour of motor home owners who 'dump' waste within the car park area. The cost of this work was not at a cost to the parish council. It was agreed this would prevent the issue within the parish however it would be likely to become an issue further along the coastline.



21.56 Regeneration of Lynemouth Bay

(21.56.01) Clerk informed the meeting that council had received a response from the environment agency stating the work was delayed due to the outstanding need for a second permit not issued. This permit is for the 're-deposit activity' to return cleaner material to the original site landfill. The permit was expected in the spring of 2022. It is understood that the MP Ms A M Trevelyan will be visiting the site in person, date unknown. A further update was received from NCC stating concerns regarding 'local habitats & ground water' to which NCC are 'busy responding'. Commencement of the works was projected to be the summer of 2022. It was noted from the NCC information letter that the coal authority are the owners of either side of the river (Lyne) bank and this will be a separate scheme of work to repair the banks and make safe access for the public.

21.57 Anti social behaviour

(21.57.01) Discussion took place regarding the various forms of anti-social behaviour and an agreed lack of response from the police was apparent. Problems were reported regarding the quad bikes along the beach and noise from motorbikes. Council agreed to explore the use of the Police subscription tool for reporting issues of anti-social behaviour.

21.41 Date of next meeting

August 10th 2022 19:30 Village Hall Cresswell:

Annual Parish meeting confirmed 25th May 2022 19:00 Cllrs are requested to attend.

The meeting closed at 20:30

Signed..... Cllr D Laing (Vice Chairman)

Date.....

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