BARDON MILL PARISH COUNCIL
14th September 2021
Approved Minutes

Present	Cllr S Furlong Cllr G Gill Cllr M Robson Cllr G Walton	Cllr V Furlong Cllr J Oliver Cllr A Sharp – County Clerk – Susan Saunders
	Time 7.00pm	
34/21	**Apologies for Absence -** Cllr M Nixon	
35/21	**Declaration of Interests** The Chair reminded everyone to declare interests where appropriate.	
36/21	**Minutes of the previous meeting held on Tuesday 11th May 2021** The minutes were approved. **Proposed Cllr V Furlong Seconded Cllr G Walton Approved**	
37/21	**Matters arising from the last agenda not covered below** 1. Seat at Westwood **–** the seat has been painted and a new plaque fitted. Ms Dodd will pay the decorator's invoice and the council will pay for the paint and the plaque. 2. I-Northumberland – The clerk will liaise with Cllr Sharp to try and organise a meeting. 3. NNPA nomination results **-** Val Gibson and Andy Saunders for this area were re-elected.	
38/19	**Review of Definitive Map and Statement of Rights of Way** – *to consider* Cllr Gill suggested the following, which was approved. **<u>Alleged Restricted Byway No 62 Military Road (north of East Crindledykes) to East Hotbank</u>** First part of route from Military Road to the Vallum has no current legal access status butb is a permissive footpath. The remainder of the route is a detached length of unclassified public highway (U7044) with no right of access or egress at either end; nor along the route, except where crossed by footpaths. As far as Bardon Mill Parish Council is aware, the route is used only by walkers. One of our councillors has driven past the southern end of the route twice a day for twenty years and has observed only walkers using that part of the route. The Council is concerned that if a restricted byway were to be designated, it would open up the route to illegal use by motorised vehicles which would be impossible to police. The understanding is that a public right of way must connect two points where there is a right of public access. That requirement does not appear to be met at the northern end of this proposed route (other than by access land). **<u>Alleged Restricted Byway No 61 (FPs 503/003 and 503/042</u>** There is no trace on the ground of a route from P to O (FP42), the line passing through a bog which is knee-deep, even in dry weather. There is no evidence that this part of the route is used by anyone. The Pennine Way bypasses this section by following FP3. As far as Bardon Mill Parish Council is aware, the section of the Pennine way from P to N (FP3) is used only my walkers. The Council is concerned that if a restricted byway were to be designated, it would open up the route to illegal use by motorised vehicles which would be impossible to police. **Proposed Cllr G Gill Seconded Cllr M Robson Approved**	

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39/21	**Planning Applications** Northumberland County Council No applications Determined – 21/01727 - Deneholme Westwood, construction of dormer extension **GRANTED** 21/00571 - Thorngrafton Farm – first floor extension - **GRANTED**
40/21	**Planning Applications –** No applications
41/21	**Correspondence received since last meeting -** noted.
42/21	**Northumberland County Council** **42/21.01** County Councillors Report – Cllr Sharp reported that footpaths throughout both Henshaw and Bardon Mill have been re-tarmacked. **42/21.02** LTP The following priorities were agreed: • The road from Ridley to Allens Green. There are concerns about the road particularly at Briarwood. • The road from Beltingham to Willimoteswick also has potholes in it, which need to be attended to. • The road through Thorngrafton village requires attention and again there are potholes which need to be done. **Proposed Cllr V Furlong Seconded Cllr G Gill Approved** **42/21.31** Climate Change – Members agreed the following: 1. Has your Town or Parish Council declared a climate emergency? - **NO** 2. Does your Town or Parish Council have any plans to address climate change and reduce emissions, regardless of whether or not you have declared an emergency? **No Plans, Not applicable to Bardon Mill.** 3. Would you like the support of the County Council to help develop your climate change plans? - **NO** **Proposed Cllr G Gill Seconded Cllr S Furlong Approved**
43/21	**A69 –** A meeting took place on 19th August which Cllr's S Furlong, G Gill and J Oliver attended. The footpath opposite Henshaw Garage was to be reinstated but the work has been of a sub standard quality. Henshaw Parish Council have already written back to Highways to complain. It was agreed that a safety barrier should be placed at Falcon Grange but on later inspection, Highways have now said the sightlines would be affected and so will not place it. So far, there has not been a report back from this meeting from Ben Dobson and so the clerk was instructed to write to him and ask for a report and an explanation about the safety barrier. **Proposed Cllr S Furlong Seconded Cllr J Oliver Approved** Cllr Sharp offered to contact Inspector Neill and gain the support of the police over the safety aspects of this stretch or road.
44/21	**The Queen's Jubilee –** NCC are offering free trees to tie in with the jubilee next year. Members agreed to send an expression of interest.
45/21	**Henshaw Matters** *Appendix 2* There was a meeting held at Redburn Play Park in August to with the clerk of Henshaw to update members on what was required. Cllr Furlong offered to attend overgrown sections on The Pitman's Trail and Cllr Gill agreed to look at the Woodland area with a view to having this thinned out.

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The Henshaw clerk has sent a list of low-risk items from the RoSPA report that will need attention over the next year. Bardon Mill will be advised of costs in advance wherever possible.

46/21 **Standing Orders**

Members agreed that there were no changes required in the standing orders

Proposed Cllr S Furlong **Seconded Cllr V Furlong** **Approved**

47/21 **The Sill –**

Cllr Sharp informed the council that the NNPA meting was the next day and he would report back about The Sill's finances afterwards.

48/21 **Reports on Financial Matters**

48/21.01 Bank reconciliation, Income & Exp and accounts for payment as at 31st July 2021

BARDON MILL PARISH COUNCIL BANK RECONCILIATION	*Appendix 3*			
BANK	**£**	**£**	**£**	
Balance as at	**31/08/2021**			
Current Account			£5,811.74	
Plus outstanding lodgements				
Less outstanding payments	Henshaw PC		279.42	
	B Mill V Hall		£15.75	
NET BANK BALANCES AT	**31/08/2021**		**£5,516.57**	
The net balances reconcile to the Cashbook - receipts and payments account - for the year as follows				
CASH BOOK	**£**		**£**	
Opening Balance as at 31st March 2021	3919.21		£3,919.21	
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Add: Receipts in the Year	£2,346.00			
Less Payments in the Year	£748.64			
Closing balance per Cash Book [Receipts & Payments] as at	**31/08/2021**		**£5,516.57**	£0.00
Payments for 14 Sept 2021				
Mrs S M Saunders Pay and Expenses		792.85	Home allow, Auditor gift, seat paint	
Mrs S M Saunders Expenses		15.42	New plaque for seat/contribution to printer paper	
F Furlong		200.00	Memorial Grass	
British Legion		50.00	Poppy Wreath	
Henshaw Parish Council		238.69	Play inspections and repairs	
Henshaw Parish Council		-133.00	Recharge for Memorial Grass	
Total Payments		**1163.96**		
Balance forecast to 30 Sept 2021		**6698.61**	Incl precept	

The payments of £1163.96 were agreed.

Proposed Cllr V Furlong **Seconded Cllr G Walton** **Approved**

48/21.02 HSBC – *To discuss recent charge announcement and change of bank options*

Members agreed that as other banks are likely to follow suit, they would keep the account with HSBC and pay the £8 per months charge.

Proposed Cllr S Furlong **Seconded Cllr G Walton** **Approved**

48/21.03 Henshaw Nursery

Members agreed to donate £200.

Proposed Cllr G Gill **Seconded Cllr G Walton** **Approved**

48/21.04 War Memorial – insurance cost

The rebuild cost is £16000. How much this will be to insure has been asked of the insurance company.

49/21 **Any other relevant business**

The clerk was asked to write a letter of thanks to Philip Harrison for the work that he has promised to undertake with the trees along the roadside by Ridley Hall.

50/21 **Dates and times of next meeting**

Tuesday 14th December 2021 - 7pm Henshaw Church Hall.

Meeting closed 8.00pm