

Harbottle Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 9th August 2021 **At The Star Inn**

Present: Cllrs. S. Bolam, J. Ormston (Chairman), A. Stripp, S. Wardlaw

1. Apologies: Cllr. S. Kenny

2. Declarations of Interest:

3. The Minutes of the Meeting held on 21st June 2021 were approved.

4. Matters arising:

(i) Defibrillator: SB reported that the defibrillator for Harbottle had arrived and awaited the electrical estimate and installation at The Star. SW reported his discussion with residents of Holystone and the possibility of installing a defibrillator in the church. He agreed to pursue this with the church authorities. An application for a grant towards this had been submitted to the National Park.

(ii) Website: A new website had been created by NALC.

(iii) The on-site meeting with NCC Highways had to be cancelled as Neil Snowdon had no transport on the day. It was agreed to monitor the situation throughout the summer, with photographs if possible.

5. Finance

(i) Grant from the Upper Coquet Resource Group of £1,510 towards the Harbottle defibrillator was noted and the account for it of £1,812 including VAT was agreed.

(ii) Account from NALC for the website of £75.00 was agreed

(iii) Bank balance of £997.45 was noted.

6. Planning

It was noted that approval had been granted for the communications mast at Sharperton and the holiday cabin at Sawmill Close.

7. Local Transport Plan

It was agreed to request an electric car charging point in the Parish.

8. Surgery

AK raised his concern at the lack of medical presence now at the surgery: Thursday mornings only with a doctor only once a fortnight. It was agreed to ask Healthwatch if they could conduct a local survey to establish the level of dissatisfaction and inconvenience in order to take the matter up again with the Rothbury Practice.

9. Date of Next Meeting: Monday 4th October