

BYWELL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Council Meeting held on Monday 20th September 2021 at Newton & Bywell Community Hall at 7.00pm

Present: Cllrs Gillespie, Wright and Stevens. Also in attendance - Monica Anderton, Clerk and Cnty Cllr Waddell (who left after item 5)

1. **Apologies received:** Cllr Richardson and Cllr Thompson
2. **Declarations of Interest:** None
3. **Minutes from meeting of 19th July 2021:** These were agreed as a true record.
4. **Matters arising:** ~ It was agreed that visiting sites for planning applications should only be where the matter may be contentious or where the property is not known well enough by the Councillors.
5. **Local Transport Plan 2022/23:** The problem of speeding at Mowden Hall needs addressing; other than that it was suggested that EV charging points be provided in the Hall car park.
6. **Climate Change:** The parish is too small to work by itself on most matters. However, the Parish would work with East Tynedale Forum on projects of interest and it was suggested that as a general requirement – EV points should be put in all parishes and it should be suggested that all lighting in Halls etc. be changed to LED lights. The Clerk reported that a meeting would be held on October 6th in the hall, organised by East Tynedale Forum with a County Council Climate change speaker.
7. **Reports:** County Cllr Report: Cllr Waddell noted she had been contacted by a number of residents on speeding issues and would forward their concerns; Of particular concern is a mirror which had been erected on the road at the back entrance to Mowden Hall. This should be for vehicles exiting the school but it appears to be aligned for oncoming traffic instead. This could be dangerous in the dark as the headlights will reflect. The Clerk would write to the school about this issue. Cllr Waddell reported that following a meeting at Bywell Hall, Allendales are planning to hold a Jubilee event next year in the Hall gardens. If people are interested in taking part (with stalls), or attending can they let the Estates office know.

Chair's report: None at this time

8. **Planning:** 21/02892/FUL – Detached wooden garage at 3 Stelling Farm; resubmission – the Council have no objections to this;
21/00543/ADE – Display boards north of Shaw House Farm: This has gone to an appeal at the Planning Inspectorate following its' refusal;
21/02420/FUL: 3 heat pumps to rear of Highfield Grange: A further submission on this following a noise assessment: the Council have no objections to this;

9. **Correspondence:** - Clerks and Councils Direct; The Clerk, CPRE – Summer; A69 Annual report
10. **Finance:** a) The Balance on the account at 30th August was £5028.67
- b) The following payments were authorised:
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| Clerk, Salary, August 2021 | £299.78 |
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| Clerk, Expenses to date | £23.45 |
- c) The second tranche of precept had been received £5250.00
- d) The loan repayment £721.68 was taken
- e) A request from Sport Tynedale was refused
- f) Cllr Wright suggested that the loan repayments should be taken over by the Trust. Whilst there is only 3 years left to pay and there would be a high repayment levy if paid off in one go, it was considered there should be a further discussion on the matter at the next meeting. The Chair of the Trust would be invited to attend.
11. **AOB:** ~ Notices would be put up to see if there are any volunteers to fill the Councillor vacancy;
- ~ A request had gone out from NCC regarding a visit to all councils in the County by senior cabinet members to discuss issues of concern to the Parish Council. They intend to visit all Councils over the 4 year term of office. It was agreed this might be a good idea and the Clerk would indicate the Parish Council's willingness to be included.
12. **Date of next meeting:** Monday 15th November 2021 at 7.00pm

Chair:

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