

Slaley Parish Council

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A meeting of Slaley Parish Council will take place on Monday April 11th 2022
At 7.30 p.m. in Slaley Commemoration Hall.

Agenda

1. Public Participation.

2. Apologies.

3. Declaration of Interests and Hospitality Record.

4. Minutes of March 14th 2022 meeting (circulated pages 1603 – 1606) & appendix 1, page 1607.

5. Matters Arising.

a) 5a 14/3/22; 7c 14/2/22: The holly bushes at Hollybush corner. Agreement with NCC highways that they will collect ivy and debris from behind fence.

6. Tackling Climate Change at Parish Level.

World Earth Day is Friday April 22nd – There is going to be a “Just one Thing” event at Slaley Commemoration Hall between 4 – 7 p.m.

7. Matters for Discussion with County Councillor

a) Update Glen Crossroads – Reply from Cllr John Riddle (via Paul Jones email of 22/3/22) a scheme to improve signing and lining at the crossroads included in the LTP programme in the coming financial year. Cllr J D Taylor was unable to find on-line. Cllr SC Douglas is asking for details of the scheme and questions the last 28-day notice being June 2021.

b) Update on reducing village speed to 20 mph. – Reply from Cllr John Riddle (via Paul Jones email of 22/3/22) 20 mph included in the LTP programme in the coming financial year.

8. Correspondence.

Hard copies:

Clerk & Councils Direct April issue.

Email:

- a) Streetworks TTRO Lead Road, Slaley.
- b) 15/3/22: RSN Rural Bulletin
- c) 15/3/22: NALC Member update – pay scales
- d) 15/3/22: Streetworks RRTO Station Road, Hexham.
- e) 15/3/22: NALC Member Council Update
- f) 15/3/22: Explain Market Research follow up views on Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust.
- g) 16/3/22: Rape Crisis Tyneside & Northumberland Volunteer Coordinator, adoption leave.
- h) 18/3/22: CAN Enews
- i) 18/3/22: Forestry Commission March newsletter
- j) 22/3/22: RSN Rural Bulletin
- k) 22/3/22: NALC Enews
- l) 22/3/22: Streetworks TTRO Princes Street, Corbridge

- m) 28/3/22: Kate Pawley North East's bid unsuccessful
- n) 29/3/22: TSN Rural Bulletin
- o) 30/3/22: NCC Northumberland Local Plan Adoption
- p) 30/3/22: NALC Enews
- q) 1/4/22: NCC Climate Change April newsletter
- r) 1/4/22: CAN Enews
- s) 1/4/22: NCC Support for Tree Planting in parish
- t) 4/4/22: NCC Planning Validation Checklist Re-consultation – 81 pages - reply by 17/4/22

9. Financial Report.

- a) March & Year End payroll paperwork
- b) Invoices received & paid since March meeting
NCC weekly playground inspections during March £100.69
TP Jones & Co LLP payroll preparation January – March £46.80
Slaley Commemoration Hall meetings Feb & March £36.50
Clerk's annual expenditure £370.37
- c) Invoices to be paid
- d) External audit arrangements received for PKF Littlejohn LLP Audit date is 1/7/22.
- e) Year End income and Expenditure attached as **appendix ?? 110422, page ??**

10. Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee.

- a) Report by Cllr I C Stevens from public meeting of Saturday April 9th.
- b) Request for funding came in by Slaley Film Club
- c) 15/3/22: Cost of wooden parish seats – Hexhamshire man no longer makes. Looked on line and emailed prices. Councillors wanted a locally made seat – made by whom?

11. New Planning Applications.

Decisions from planning

22/00321/FUL: Single storey side extension at rear providing utility room. Deneside, Wooley, Hexham. NE46 1TY. Applicant Sophie Betts. **Granted.**

21/03782/FUL: Conversion of outbuilding to guest accommodation, East Ridley Hall, Strothers Bank Slaley. Applicants Mr & Mrs Paul Spencer. **Granted**

21/02682/OUT: Resubmission: Outline application for development of up to 3 detached dwellings (all matters reserved) Land west of Rose Cottage, Wooley Road, Hexham, Applicant Mr. A. Garvey. **Granted.**

12. Social Media Report - Cllr I C Stevens & Slaley Web Page Report - Councillor S.C. Douglas.

Facebook – Cllr D J Taylor emailed Mrs P. Goodwin whose email account is still associated with the PC facebook. Mrs Goodwin will look into this.

13. Defibrillator Update– Monthly check list attached as appendix attached as appendix?/...110422, page ???

- a) The monthly NEAS check list to be completed by Cllr Storey. The date on the pads in the Defib is November 2023 and date on replacement pads 2024-10.
- b) Report of First Aid Training by NEAS on Thursday April 7th.

14. Update games/play area within school grounds.

- a) PC Clerk emailed Stephen Wardle 15/3/22 and asked for weekly inspections to begin outside of school hours. Weekly Inspections began again in March – circulated to Headteacher & Cllr I C Stevens.
- b) Slaley School Head-teacher contact the PC Clerk and asked if a Risk Assessment had been undertaken when the Community took over the school grounds outside of school hours. The Community Trust worked with the School Governors and PC in funding the equipment with grants from the Housing Developers Fund. Climbing frame, BMX track (since removed and made into a footpath) table tennis, tennis stands and net and basketball stands. The PC took over in September 2011 and since then have paid for grass cutting around the BMX/footpath area, Community insurance, annual inspection and weekly inspections + the Community Agreement. This all indicates there must have been a risk assessment.

15. Parish Council Vacancies

Lynda Sale & Steve Percy invited to attend meeting.

16. Neighbourhood Plan

The Income & Expenditure breakdown attached as appendix
Report of meetings 2-4 p.m. Sunday April 3rd & 5 – 7 p.m. Thursday April 7th

17. Litter Pick Saturday & Sunday 9th & 10th April.

Sacks, Gloves, Pickers and Hi Viz jackets collected from Tyne Mills on Friday April 8th and left at Slaley Commemoration Hall together with Risk Assessment - This year any large or unusual items to be recorded by a detailed description of where found. This given to Clerk to be forwarded to Recycling Officer who felt that people were emptying their garages and gardens for a free collection by NCC

18. Woodland Protection Group

20/3/22: Email from Cllr J. Storey asking for volunteers for Saturday 26th & Sunday 27th March to assist the Police with their observation activities.

28/3/22: Email received from Cllr J. Storey informing the PC of the success of the two-day operation 14 volunteers + 17 Northumbria Police officers.

19. Joint meeting

Monday June 13th in Cllr Glen Sanderson's diary to come out to Slaley. He has asked the Clerk to provide an indication of what the two Councils wish to discuss with him. Both Councils wish to discuss the Glen crossroads. Healey planning issues. Slaley 20 mph rollout. Environment issues. Solar panels. Emergency Hub etc.

20. Slaley Commemoration Hall Update by Cllr DJ Taylor.

Approved minutes from January 19th attached as **appendix ?? 110422,**

21. Slaley Parish Plan; Action Plan April 2022 Update. Draft attached as appendix ??/110422,

22. Slaley Parish Wander - Sunday June 12th

As requested a copy of previous minutes, the Constitution the Risk Assessment. PC letter signed by Cllr DJ Taylor (March Chairman) sent to RD & PW asking if they would form a sub-committee of Slaley Parish Council. **Minutes of March 8th meeting attached as appendix ??/110422, page ?? Date of next meeting 12/4/22**

23. AOB

a) Clerk reported 15/3/22, the top hinge of the right-hand door of the Parish Council Notice Board in the corner of Slaley churchyard has come off. Cllr I C Stevens made a repair.

b) Parish Council report in Slaley News

24. Date for May 2022 meeting: This is also the AGM and the Annual Parish Meeting

Monday May 9th