

Healey Parish Council Interim Report No 92
3rd December 2020 – 11th January 2021

1. Matters Arising:

- a) Glen Crossroads – Healey Parish Councillors were not happy with the lack of information between 6/11/20 and its meeting on 2/12/20 and in light of correspondence (agenda 6k December minutes), therefore Cllr PJ Cain re-emailed to Paul Jones, (6/12/20) his previous September email highlighting position of vehicles in road to see traffic approaching from the north and asking who would be dealing with such enquiries. County Councillor C. Horncastle reported at the January Slaley PC meeting that Robin McCarthy intends to meet Mr. Murrell to see if a solution can be found.
- b) School House – An update from Enforcement Officer Alex Campbell received by email 3/12/20 reporting Enforcement Notices served 16/11/20 now available on Public Access. A further update 18/12/2020 replying to previous questions. Cllr T. Warde-Aldam also made contact with Wooler PC where issues with NCC have also been reported.

2. Correspondence

Hard copies:

- a) Clerks & Councils Direct January 2021

Email

- w) 3/12/20: GNAA December news
x) 8/12/20: RSN Rural Bulletin
y) 8/12/20: Health Watch Northumberland – a message from Chair, David Thompson.
z) 8/12/20 NALC launches a new guide on community business – 9,000 community business's across England with asset of £890m.
aa) 9/12/20 Sport Tynedale nominations for sport in West Northumberland during COVID-19 Pandemic
ab) 10/12/20: NCC COVID Community Champions
ac) 11/12.20: Forestry Commission - information on tree planting
a) 15/12/20: Northumbria Healthcare Stakeholder Update – COVID-19
b) 15/12/20: RSN Rural Bulletin
c) 15/12/20: NALC Enews
d) 15/12/20: Streetworks. TTRO Eastgate, Hexham.
e) 16/12/20: NALC Member update
f) 17/12/20: NALC Member update – elections May 6th
g) 17/12/20: NALC Update Postage increase - Letter 1st 85p, 2nd 66p
h) 23/12/20: RSN Rural Bulletin
i) 4/1/21: NHS Stakeholder Update
j) 5/1/21: NALC Coronavirus updates
k) 6/1/21: RSN Funding Digest
l) 7/1/21: NALC Member Update
m) 7/1/21: Streetworks TTRO West Road/Peth Head Link, Hexham
n) 11/1/21: Northumbria Healthcare Stakeholder Update – COVID-19
o) 11/1/21: ZOOM meeting 21/1/21 at 11 a.m. West Food Partnership also sent to Environment Group.
p) 11/1/21: Iain Hedley NCC. Webinar 21/1/21 9/30 – 11 a.m.

3. Planning

20/03529/FUL: Conversion of agricultural buildings to create one dwelling including a link extension and detached garage. Development site at Barley Hill house Barn DH8 9RY on the C265 Slaley to Kiln Pit Hill road. Applicant Jason Clark * The PCs support of the principle of the conversion but **Objections to the design** were queried by the planning officer and after being email around Councillors the wording was slightly amended which appeared to make the PCs reply more easily understood.

4. Financial Report.

TP Jones provided employers salary information October – December 2020

5. Domesday Project & Local History Club Report.

The Slaley, Healey & Minsteracres History Groups January ZOOM talk is 18th Century Northumberland gravestones with Mark Hatton.

6. Barley Hill Endowment Fund

7. Cllr Janeen Smith representative of Healey PC at Slaley Commemoration Hall Management Committee.

The Hall remains closed with the present COVID-19 restrictions. An on-line silent auction through Jumblebee is being organized for April. All offers of prizes will be gratefully accepted.

8. Global Warming & Overuse of Plastic

The group met via ZOOM on January 6th, Healey is represented by Peter Topping. 4 Oak Saplings were planted in the school grounds during December and there are photographs on the School and Slaley web sites. Five apple bushes have been ordered from Hollybush as the first stage of a community orchard they will be planted at parks Side bungalows in Slaley village. Is there any land in Healey parish where a larger community orchard could be planted? Recycling was discussed as the main topic and Slaley community Shop already recycles batteries, printer ink cartridges will be next for GNAA and quarterly items are being looked into like used toothpaste tubes

Meeting

9. AOB

a) Clerk attended a ZOOM 8/12/2020, 2- hour briefing entitled Clerks Election Briefing ran by Stephen Rickitt, lasted just one hour. The process will begin in January. Even a none-contested election will require all the standing Councillors to complete an application form have it proposed by a member of the parish and seconded and include the relevant Electoral roll numbers. Clerk will be able to request a copy of the 2020 Electoral Roll for this purpose. All signatures will have to be wet signatures. The whole 17 pages then must be delivered by hand to an office in Hexham, during April - as yet not identified. Election day will include County Councillors and the Police and Crime Commissioner. Apparently, PC's will be expected to pay a percentage of the Polling Station costs. Purdah was discussed and the need to postpone early May meetings, editorials in magazines or public meetings when staffing and the way forward can-not be officially known until the elections results are announced.

10. Date of 2021 Meetings

Wednesday March 3rd. *May 5th (also AGM & BHCF meeting). September 1st & December 1st.

- If the elections of May 6th go ahead we will need to delay this meeting until the following Wednesday