

Minutes of Healey Parish Council on **Thursday** December 5th 2024,
at 7.30 p.m. in Slaley Commemoration Hall.

1. Public Participation.

2. Apologies Tom Warde-Aldam, Philip Cain & Janeen Smith.

Present: Councillor Christine Johnston in the Chair, Councillors, Michael Cartlidge, Clerk Pat Wilson.

Cllr T. Warde-Aldam emailed his approval of minutes and proposals for 2025/26 precept and paying of grants

3. Declaration of Interest and Hospitality record. Tom Warde-Aldam for Healey Estate Woodland Management Plan Renewal

4. Minutes

Minutes of meeting held on September 4th 2024, attached as pages 762- 763 appendix 1 page 764, appendix 2 page 765 + notes from agenda item 16 page 766. Interim Report No 123 September 5th – October 1st 2024, page 767-768 & Appendix 1/Int 123, page 769. Interim Report No 124 October 2nd – November 1st 2024, page 770 – 771 & appendix 1/Int 124, page 772.

The Minutes & Interim Reports were proposed as a true record by Cllr Tom Warde-Aldam and seconded by Cllr... Michael Cartlidge. The minutes and reports were signed and dated by the Chairman.

5. Matters Arising:

a) School House – correspondence between Healey PC, members of NCC Planning Department & Legal Services. *See agenda 16. HPC Councillors wished to thank Cllr T. Warde-Aldam for his tireless work in tackling the difficulties posed by disputed usage of land within the North Pennines AONB (National Landscape). If he so wishes to discuss further the Councillors would be happy to host an extra meeting.*

6. Correspondence

Hard copies:

HugoFox – build a professional gov.uk parish website

War Memorials Trust Bulletin 103 November 2024

GNAA in October forced to decommission one helicopter after technical issues deemed it beyond economical repair. Also in October the second helicopter based in the north East was found to have mechanical issues and was grounded for several weeks. GNAAS are raising essential funds to purchase a third helicopter – this is expected to take 5-years as a second hand helicopter is around £14m

Clerks & Councils Direct November

Email:

12/11/24: Healey Estate Woodland Management Plan Renewal

12/11/24: Register Request Form RR2 requested and emailed- printed December 2nd

15/11/24: North Pennines National Landscape November newsletter

27/1/24: GNAA November 2024

5/12/24: Streetworks TTRO Dilston – Corbridge closed completely January 25-26th

7. Planning:

24/02925/FUL: Change of use, extension and refurbishment of existing studio to form a self/custom build holiday let with external landscaping and access proposals. Cronkley Bank Farm, Consett. Emma Cotton. **Pending.**

24/02162/FUL: Full planning application for the upgrade of an existing forestry access road and existing bridge structure to allow access for modern timber lorries. Dowdon Plantation, Lead Road, Stocksfield. Applicant CM Cookson Discretionary Trust. **Pending**

Decisions from planning:

8. Financial Report.

Bank statement balance as at Nov 4th: £2,794.98

Cheque No 276 Zurich Insurance £214.00 paid November 17th

Payment of grants

Cheque No 277 GNAA £150.00

Cheque No 278 CAN £25.00

Cheque No 279 Slaley First School £50.00

Cheque No 280 Slaley Commemoration Hall meeting venue May-Dec £70.00

Cheque No 281 Richard Buxton Solicitors £420.00

Income and Expenditure 2024/25 as per December 5th, **attached as appendix 1/051224, page 775.**

9. Precept 2025/26

Precept Forms to complete for 2025 -26 **attached as appendix 2/051224, page 776.** It was agreed that the precept remain at £3,000. Proposed by Cllr T. Warde-Aldam and seconded by Cllr C. Johnston.

10. Domesday Project & Local History Group Report.

No meeting in December. January 2025 talk is Stefan Sobell

11. Barley Hill Endowment Fund

Slaley Commemoration Hall received £3,851 for the acoustics work and it has made a substantial difference in both rooms.

12. Climate Change – Slaley, Healey & Hexhamshire Community Environment Group

At its final meeting the group accepted the offer by Healey Parish Council to administer the remaining funds until such time as a future group is established or small-scale grants are requested. Information of draft terms of reference were emailed 28.10.24, these were deemed straightforward by the meeting. The final total of funds to be transferred is £1,507.95. SKIPTON account needs two signatories HPC Clerk is one – Cllr Michael Cartlidge volunteered to be the second HPC Trustee on the account. **Terms of Reference attached as appendix 3/051224, page 777.**

13. Cllr Christine Johnston represents Healey PC at Slaley Commemoration Hall Management Committee's meetings. Approved minutes from October 2nd attached as appendix 4/051224, page 778

Christine was appointed Chairman of SCH management committee at the November meeting until the AGM in 2025

14. AOB

St. John's Healey service 5 p.m. December 15th & Carol Service December 24th at 5 p.m.

15. Date of 2025 Meetings

Wednesday March 5th; May 7th APMt & APCMt; September 3rd BHEFMt; December 3rd 2025

16. Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings Act 1960). Concerning the ongoing concerns at School House the following discussion will be held in private because it is dealing with the affairs of third parties – press and public will be excluded. Notes will be attached as an appendix to the minutes as page 779.

There being no further business the meeting ended at 9 p.m. with hot Mulled Wine & Mince Pies.