Minutes of Slaley Parish Council, Monday 14th January 2019 at 7.30 p.m. in Slaley Commemoration Hall

1. Public Participation. The original application plus amendments and additions to planning application 18/01622/VARYCO were the concerns discussed with the PC. It was reported to the PC that neighbours to the planning application have a different perspective to the proposals than other members of the parish who will not be unduly affected by the application. The Townfoot resident felt that the license granted in the 1950s and renewed in the 1990s was before the farm buildings were converted into residential dwellings and brought the caravan park to residential boundaries and would not be acceptable today. Cllr Hutchinson reminded everyone that all the purchasers of Townfoot properties knew of the existence of the caravan park when the properties were purchased. Cllr Hutchinson further explained that the use of the land as a caravan park was established in planning law the PC could only consider material objections. The Parish Council's role in commenting upon an application was explained. When asked if the PC would speak at the planning meeting on February 12th when this application comes before committee, the answer was No; the PC's concerns and comments will be made known to the Planning Department in the normal way and would be displayed on the planning portal and reported to the planning officers determining the application When a planning application has a far reaching effect on the community the Parish Council is made aware very quickly by concerned members of the parish and a public meeting is called, this was not the case with 18/01622/VARYCO, in fact some members of Slaley parish support the application for the increased revenue it will bring to the various local businesses from people coming to the area on holiday.

2.Apologies. County Councillor Colin Horncastle.

Present: Councillor R.W.H. Hutchinson in the Chair. Councillors S. Carson, S. C. Douglas, A. M. Livesey & D. J. Taylor. Clerk Mrs P. Wilson. Public: Townfoot resident.

3.Declaration of Interests and Hospitality Record.

Councillor R.W.H. Hutchinson for agenda item 14.

4. Minutes of December 10th 2018 meeting (pages 1346 -1349, appendix 1 page 1350 and appendix 2 page 1351). The Minutes were proposed as a true record by Cllr. D.J. Taylor and seconded by Cllr.S. Douglas. The minutes were then signed and dated.

5.Matters Arising.

- a) 5c & 7d 10/12/18; 5a 12/11/18; 8/10/18; 7b 10/9/18: Letter detailing concerns about the height of hedge was posted by recorded delivery to Glen Cottage with a copy to Highways Manager and CC C, Horncastle. Clerk to request from Post Office if letter was received.
- b) Email Correspondence to PC Chairman from Townfoot resident re planning 18/01622/VARYCO (see PP above).

6. Community Trust Update.

Cllr S. Douglas has made a request to the CT Treasurer for an update on CT finances on the Parish Website.

7. Matters for Discussion with County Councillor

- a) Request to Highways for better signage at The Glen crossroads from all four sides saying concealed entrance, danger, slow and whatever else would be appropriate.
- b) Wooley sign broken off and lying on the ground request a replacement.

8. Correspondence.

Hard copies

NCC Roadside Litter Campaign 2018 leaflets; Clerk & Councils Direct January.

Emails:

a) 11/12/18: NALC Salary Scales

- b) 11/12/18: NALC Enews
- c) 18/12/18: NALC Enews
- d) 21/12/18: CAN Village Halls Weeks January 23rd Stannington Slaley CH has a manned stand at event.
- e) 2/1/19: NALC Social Media and Local Councils recommended that Councillors never make a post when angry or
- f) 3/1/19: NALC Royal Garden Party May 15th nominations
- g) 8/1/19: NALC Enews
- h) 8/1/19: Tynedale Local Area Meeting Haydon Bridge 15/1/19
- i) 9/1/19: RSN monthly bulletin including funding bulletin sent to Comm Hall committee
- j) 11/1/19: Northumberland Local Plan Publication of Draft Local Plan consultation 30/1/19 13/3/19
- k) 14/1/19: Les Wallace Parliament petition Is driven grouse shooting driving away lots of jobs as well as wildlife?
- 1) 14/1/19: Rape Crisis Tyneside & Northumberland are looking for a Chairwoman.

9. Financial Report.

a) Real Time Information: TP Jones & Co LLP. Employers Summary December 2018 & quarterly paperwork

b Cheques to be signed –

718 Clerk's salary October – December £983.18

719 HMRC Tax due for O3 £8.20

720 Melanie Cant £11.99 123 Reg - Domain name renewal

721 NCC £192.66 Weekly Inspections October – December 2018

Proposed by Cllr. S. Douglas and seconded by Cllr A.M. Livesey. The cheques were signed

c) Cheques signed between meetings

22/12/18: Cheque No 715: Strawberry Banners £388.80 signed by Cllr's Douglas & Hutchinson. The cheque has not been received reissued 9/1/19 Cheque 717 and signed by Cllr's Taylor & Hutchinson.

22/12/18 No 716 £46.80 TP Jones – payroll October – December.

- d) November cheque to St. Mary the Virgin needs to be altered to Slaley Parochial Church Council- reissued under cheque No 722.
- e) Lloyds bank signatory form returned again asking for more information proof of identification and confirmation of address for Anne Livesey. Also needed to add all Councillors names as NEW Signatories.
- f) Lloyds Bank statement balance at December 27th £16,947.78 this still includes the last £5,000 payment to TEC.
- g) Income NCC £1000 grant towards Playdale equipment on school Field

10. New Planning Applications.

18/01622/VARYCO: Town Foot Caravan Park. Further alterations and amendments. This application does not provide the solution to surface water disposal, the sub soil is heavy clay and will not absorb surface water, which will run to the woodland, the road or the neighbour's field. Waterlogging of the trees will affect their stability and cause wind blow. The all year occupancy of the holiday chalets is something the Parish Council strongly objects to as there is a real potential for these to become permanent residences in the green belt.

18/04404/AGTRES: Conversion of Existing Agricultural Building to Proposed Dwelling south of Woodside Farm House, Slaley NE46 1TT. Applicant Mr. R. Henderson. Clerk to request if PC should be consulted.

18/04136/FUL: Change of use from place of worship (class D1) to holiday let accommodation (class C3) and associated conversion works Slaley Methodist Church. Applicant Mr. Andrew Lorimer. Pending

Decisions from Planning:

18/03637/FUL: Proposed extension and renovation of existing dwelling plus new build double garage and associated access and landscaping. Rose Cottage, Slaley. Applicant Mr & Mrs G&L Stoker.

Granted

18/03718/FUL: Resubmission: one storey flat roof extension The Bield, Colpitts Grange, Slaley. Applicant Mr & Mrs Hutchinson. Granted.

18/02214/LBC: Listed building Consent. Proposed 3no new build dwellings, 2 no proposed timber garages and proposed demolition of existing garage and shortening of existing extension of Slaley House. Applicants John and Susan Flynn, Slaley House, Slaley. **Granted**

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11. Slaley Web Page Report from Cllr Livesey

Cllr S. Douglas had been updating the Slaley Notes & Slaley Show sections and noticed that several contacts were out of date. The Community Shop rosta is dated July 2018. Cllr Livesey said it was the responsibility of each owner to look after their page and request help from Melanie Cant if they needed it. Cllr S Douglas also asked if the Councillors would consider Slaley Show amalgamating onto www.slaley.org.uk and sharing management costs. Cllr Douglas stressed that it was only a question at present because the Show committee had not discussed the idea. The Councilors welcomed the idea in principle providing the Show covered any development costs.

12. Defibrillator Update

Mr. N. Green reported that he had carried out the weekly inspections and that the Defib is working as expected.

13. Update games/play area within school grounds.

a) Received weekly reports from 4/10/18 - 27/12/18 forward to School and asked why TT corners have not been replaced. Clerk looked back to the PC's October minutes – see below:

October minutes 13 c) Weekly inspection sheets – problem with small climbing frame – Hayley thinks repaired in-house.

Table tennis table corners all need replacing – School last ordered in May 2016 and the PC covered the cost £44. (see June 2016 minutes). It was agreed that the cost of further corners would be covered by the PC.

b) Clerk request an update from School who replied 9/1/19 and said TT corners were ordered and they would check about the net repair.

14. Slaley Community PV Project

The death of a close friend has delayed the conclusion of this project - Clerk requested to make contact with TEC for an update.

15. Councillor Vacancy

There remains one vacancy despite a reminder in Saley News there has been no interest

16. Parish Plan: Action Plan January 2019 Update. Attached as appendix 1/120119, page 1355.

There were no amendments to the circulated draft.

17. Slaley Commemoration Hall

Open Weekend invitations printed into a booklet and delivered throughout the parish. Cllrs Hutchinson, Taylor, Livesey & Douglas had delivered or would deliver in their area. Hexham Courant interview 9/1/19 resulted in a feature on page 3. Launch of the "£100k for 100 years" appeal and details of Go Fund Me on-line fundraising were explained by Cllr Taylor – already received a £5,000 donation. The momentum has started and once the Banners and Feather Flag are put in place the Hall committee hopes to have a very busy weekend.

18. AOB

Both Councillors DJ Taylor & AM Livesey will be absent for the March meeting – should the meeting be reallocated? – decision at the February meeting.

19. Date of February 2019 meeting: Monday February 11th

There being no further business the meeting ended at 9.14 p.m.