Minutes of Slaley Parish Council, Monday 10th June 2019 At 7.30 p.m. in Slaley Commemoration Hall

1. Public Participation. None

2.Apologies. Councillor S. Carson.

Present: Councillor R.W.H. Hutchinson in the Chair. Councillors S. C. Douglas, A. M. Livesey, J. Storey & D. J. Taylor. Clerk Mrs P. Wilson. Public: None

3.Declaration of Interests and Hospitality Record.

Cllr S.C. Douglas for Slaley Show grant – agenda item 9b

Cllr D.J. Taylor and PC Clerk for planning application 19/01522/FUL:

4. Minutes of May 13th 2019 meeting (pages 1382 – 1384). The Minutes were proposed as a true record by Cllr D. J. Taylor and seconded by Cllr S. C. Douglas. The minutes were then signed and dated.

5.Matters Arising.

- a) 7 13/5/19: 7d 8/4/19: Councilors to make reports about highway problems to Cllr S Carson. Reported by Clerk Railings broken at Dipton Cut (parish boundary) reported to NCC Highways no action taken. White lines to be replaced on The Linnels Bridge approach road immediately leaving the B6306 (Blanchland) & B6307 (Corbridge) roads reported to NCC highways no action taken. Cllr J. Storey reported collapsed gulley on Lead Road online 19/3/19 then to Glen Harrison by voicemail 13/5/19 and again on 14/5/19 and again by email on 28/5/19 when no action taken. New Cover fitted during June.
- b) 7d 13/5/19: Cllr S. Carson asked about insurance for information boards placed throughout the parish. Cllr. D.J. Taylor to check with Commemoration Hall insurance cover and report. MW has checked the Hall insurance and there is a £1,000 public liability covering notices outside the hall curtilage.
- c) 14 13/5/19: Northumberland Day Sunday May 26th Slaley PC providing Afternoon Tea Report. The total income from the teas raised £383.13 for the Hall fund. The Chairman reported a great team effort. d) 5c 8/4/19: 11c 11/3/19: Slaley News printing contract Jim Bailey acknowledge PC email and said group in early stages of discussion. Email reply from J Bailey 31/5/19 with estimated costs of £800 and then a second email on 6/6/19 saying a local business has stepped in and the news will continue. No explanation if this is a long-term agreement, if it is totally FREE without quantity constraints or would there be a need for the new agreement to be subsidized.

6. Community Trust Update. None.

7. Matters for Discussion with County Councillor

- a) Wooley road Broadband Cllr A.M. Livesey reported that the new copper cable is a metre lower than the current telephone/electric wires therefore the tree lopping undertaken during 2018 was insufficient to address the position of the new wires. A request for further tree lopping was made.
- b) Cllr J. Storey spoken to Geoff Cairns, Highways, regarding the broken Slaley Hall, sign, east of the hotel entrance road. Mr Cairns confirmed it would be replaced.

8. Correspondence.

Hard copies.

Glasdon advertising booklet. Tynedale Hospice at Home Spring newsletter

Emails:

- a) 14/5/19: RSN Rural Bulletin
- b) 15/5/19: Streetworks TTRO West Minsteracres to High Acton Mill Ruins
- c) 20/5/19: Streetworks TTRO Amendment to Barley Lodge to Barley hill Junction work

- d) 21/5/19: Streetworks TTRO Dukesfield to Ridley Halls.
- e) 21/5/19: RSN Rural Bulletin
- f) 21/5/19: NALC sensitivity guidance notes
- g) 22/5/19: NALC Enews
- h) 22/5/19: Streetworks TTRO amendment County Boundary to West Minsteracres
- i) 24/5/19: North Pennines AONB Partnership "illegal killing of Buzzards" asking for information on the crime.
- j) 29/5/19: RSN Rural bulletin
- k) 29/5/19: NALC Enews
- 1) 29/5/19: Northumberland CVA events & training. Clerk enrolled on Safeguarding children and Vulnerable Adults training. July 1st at Stanington. Forwarded to Commemoration Hall committee & Ladycross Nature Reserve committee.
- m) 29/5/19: Streetworks TTRO Corbridge Midsummer Market 2019
- n) 29/5/19: Summer Evening Reception & Open Garden at The riding in aid of Tynedale Hospice at Home
- o) 29/5/19: Streetworks TTRO Tour of Reservoir Cycle Race 2019
- p) 31/5/19: Streetworks TTRO amendment Barley Lodge to Barley Hill junction
- q) 3/6/19: RSN Rural Bulletin
- r) 3/6/19: GNAA news miracle boy saved from drowning
- s) 3/6/19: Mike Bird Clerks to advise who chairs PC meetings + updated declaration of interest forms & new Councillor details about changes to register of interests should be reported to PC Clerk.
- t) 5/6/19: RSN monthly funding bulletin
- u) 5/6/19: NALC Data Protection Fees June 2019
- v) 6/6/19: Rob Murfin, Director of Planning Local Plan submitted for examination
- w) 6/6/19: Streetworks TTRO FURTHER amendment Barley Lodge to Barley Hill junction

9. Financial Report.

- a) Real Time Information: TP Jones & Co LLP. Employers Summary May 2019
- b Cheques to be signed –
- 734: Slaley Show grant towards container £1000 and grant towards running costs £500 = £1,500.00
- 735: Slaley Community Trust photocopying Slaley News April 2018 June 2019 £115.56

Cheques proposed by Cllr D.J. Taylor and seconded by Cllr. J. Storey. The cheques were then signed

- c) Lloyds bank statement balance at 29/5/2019 £16,011.25
- d) Slaley PC insurance effective from 1/6/19 for 12 months received from Came and Company.
- e) An enquiry from Cllr SC Douglas about Section 137 spending suggests that the Councillors are not aware of the 2019/20 amount. Published om 20/12/18 the amount is now £8.12 per parishioner.
- f) The Audit papers have been emailed to Littlejohn and a copy of them have been forwarded to Melanie Cant (6/6/19) to place in a new a blog on the Parish Council section of the web site.

10. New Planning Applications.

19/01522/FUL: Proposed extension of hall to create committee room and storage cupboards. Relocation of WCs adjacent to entrance foyer, widen access to hall. Reconfigure the existing WC area, to include improved access to area through new door opening. Slaley Commemoration Hall. Pat Wilson. Support - good design, sympathetic to the original building and neighbouring properties in the village.

19/00776/FUL: Stone wall (1.5m high 10m long) on eastern boundary and summerhouse (2.8m x 2.8m) in south east corner of garden. Glen Cottage, Lead Road, Slaley NE47 0BN. Applicant S. Murrell. **Pending**

19/011552/FUL: Proposed single storey rear extension and proposed first floor side extension. 3

Agricultural Cottages, Hillcrest, Slaley. Applicants Mr. & Mrs Douglas. Pending.

18/01622/VARYCO: Town Foot Caravan Park. Further alterations and amendments. **Pending – waiting for more information from applicant.**

Decisions from Planning:

19/01213/FUL: Extension and alterations to existing dwelling. Rowantree Grange, Slaley. NE47 0BT. Applicant Mr. Leon Wright. **Granted.**

19/00733/LBC: Listed Building Consent: Replace a mezzanine baustrade with a partition wall. Old Farm, East Woodfoot, Slaley. Applicant Mrs Beliz Sewart. **Granted**

** The recent demolition of Rose Cottage in Slaley village was discussed – the Councillors looked at planning application 18/03637/FUL and the wording associated with the application and permission which was to extend the cottage upwards and outwards to the east. There was no indication that the early cottage with its 1842 date carved into a lintel would be demolished Leaving only the gable end closest to the village street. Clerk to request from the planning department if there was a structural reason why the old cottage was demolished.

11. Social Media Report - Councillor A.M. Livesey & Slaley Web Page Report - Councillor S.C. Douglas.

- a) website enquiry from Natalie Barnes, Northumberland Theatre Co, to Cllr A.M. Livesey, detailing 2019 productions. This has already been received by the Commemoration Hall Committee who are considering putting on a performance. Cllr SC Douglas asked if these enquiries could be directed to her in future.
- b) Social media report: Cllr Livesey reported 615 Twitter followers. Cllr DJ Taylor reported Facebook use.
- c) Cllr SC Douglas reported a meeting with Melanie Cant and a connection between Slaley Show website and the general Slaley website.
- d) Advertising was discussed, originally with a 12-month contract the current advertising revenue is out of date. A discussion of increased charges was left in abeyance until an indication of how much use the web site generated. Councillors generally do not visit the sections they are not involved with. Cllr R.W.H. Hutchinson was not aware of any business the Youngsrps advertisement generated likewise there was no feed-back from the holiday cottage advertising. The Clerk found generally that people did not use the website for information e.g. Ladycross Nature reserve monthly walks time and topic, or the history meeting speaker.

2017/18: Youngsrps £100

2017/18: J. Liddle Curlew Cottage £12

2018/19: J. Liddle Willow View £12

2018/19: G. Whatmough Woodside £12

Clerk & Cllr A.M. Livesey to find invoice details and email to Cllr S.C. Douglas.

e) Cllr S.C. Douglas asked the Clerk for help placing the monthly Slaley News onto the web site.

12. Defibrillator Update

- a) Cllr J. Storey reported that he had carried out the weekly inspection and that the Defib was working as expected.
- b) Cllr S.C. Douglas asked about reporting to the public on the website of where to find the Defibrillator. There was no objection to this idea however the Clerk did inform the meeting that emergency services do give out the position of the Defibrillator when a call suspecting a heart attack is made to 999.

13. Update games/play area within school grounds.

- a) Councillors visited the Play Area after the May meeting. It was agreed to investigate the area in front of the benches. Price and availability to undertake the work requested from S. Bell of Slaley declined. GMS provided a quotation circulated to Councillors and Headteacher. Discuss quote it was agreed to go with the GMS quote.
- b) The Playdale stepping stones Councillors suggested replacing with Marmax product replacements. Clerk met with headteacher 14/5/19 and Marmax v Playdale replacement stepping stones was discussed. School to see if discount available from Marmax and if any LEA grants available
- c) Meeting with Playdale representative to compare prices Tuesday June 4th It was agreed that the support beams on the chain bridge needed replacing. The rocking log needed replacing and several of the stepping stones. Headteacher and Sport/PE teacher agreed a new layout and asked for an estimate from Playdale for a new chain bridge, and a different piece of balance/climbing equipment. It was agreed that for the present the remaining stepping stones should be retained. The hole left by the removed stepping stone to be made

good. The school is expecting to pay for all of this new equipment from its sports allocation for the coming year. The area currently around the chain bridge and the rocking bar will have to be reseeded once the old equipment is removed. Becky Warren looked at small cracks in the new poles and said that was to be expected and there was a 25-year guarantee if the cracks became worse the equipment would be replaced under guarantee – she would take photographs and report back to HO. Becky is leaving and we will have a new representative by the Autumn. Cllr RWH Hutchinson reaffirmed his suggestion that putting anything wooden into the ground would eventually rot, the Clerk however, pointed out that most of the play structures at RURAL parks in this area were (Playdale) wooden e.g. Travellers Rest, Blanchland, Whittonstall, Whitley Chapel, Bardon Mill.

d) Clerk contacted NCC to ask if any HDF available. Reply 15/5/19 – no play money, however there is sport money for the Hexham wider area.

14. Slaley Parish Plan Dog Fouling review 2019

- a) Cllr DJ Taylor provided a sample NCC "Green Dog Walker" poo bags, picked up in Blanchland Village Hall. Providing them in Slaley village was discussed as was poo bags dispensers. Cllr Taylor to make further enquiries.
- b) Cllr SC Douglas recently delivered Slaley Show Schedules throughout the village street and was pleased to report it clear of dog mess.

15. Slaley Parish Plan Heritage Review 2019

Draft circulated with suggested amendments – the amendments were accepted as was the suggestion of reporting the community ownership of the Rose and Crown Inn and the Village Shop. A brief history of changes to buildings and land at Slaley Hall – Cllr D.J. Taylor said that the 'pet' grave stones at Slaley Hall had recently been "tidied and landscaped". The date of Slaley Show and Leek Show to be included indicating the time they have played an important part of Slaley heritage. Bench marks was another suggestion - currently known at Low House, Lawn House and the old building at Trygill. Clerk suggested asking residents if their property had a bench mark so a list could be included. Cllr R.W.H. Hutchinson also suggested including the stand for former milk churns at West Woodfoot.

Updated review attached as appendix 1/100619, page 1389.

16. AOB

- a) Cllr D.J. Taylor reported on a new 6-week Digital Awareness course will begin on 13th June at Slaley Commemoration Hall. NCC will provide tablets for all attendees and although the training is Free. Cllr D.J. Taylor will ask for a donations towards the Hall income.
- b) Clerk received a telephone call from a concerned member of the village who was experiencing dust from the crushing of concrete at the new development west of Slaley House. A complaint had been made to the Environment Agency. Clerk reported this to the PC Chairman.
- c) Cllr S. Carson reported by email that a concerned resident has suggested that having traffic lights outside the Anvil Homes building site is unnecessary and excessive. Report back that the PC suspects it is a Highways Regulation/Necessity because of the open utilities work currently underway.

17. Date of July 2019 meeting: Monday July 8th

Apologies from Cllr R.W.H. Hutchinson for this meeting. Cllr A.M. Livesey to chair. There being no further business the meeting ended at 9.16 p.m.