

Minutes of Healey Parish Council on Wednesday May 3rd 2023
after the Annual Parish Meeting. at Slaley Commemoration Hall.

1. Public Participation. Cllr Anne Dale & CC Colin Horncastle. Both made further representation to agenda item 18 by suggested meetings with the new NCC Director of Place, Simon Neilsan, and the new NCC CEO, Dr Helen Paterson, being proposed.

2. Apologies Councillors Christine Johnston & Philip Cain,
Present: Councillor Tom Warde-Aldam in the Chair, Councillors Michael Cartlidge & Janeen Smith. Clerk Pat Wilson.

3. Declaration of Interest and Hospitality record. None.

4. Minutes of March 1st 2023 meeting (circulated pages 683 - 685). + appendix 1, page 686, appendix 2, page 687, appendix 3, page 688 & agenda item 20 notes page 689, Interim Report 111, 2/3/23 – 2/4/23, pages 690 – 691. ZOOM meeting 3/4/23 notes attached as pages 692-693. The Minutes & Interim Reports **were proposed as a true record by email from Cllr Philip Cain** and seconded by Cllr Christine Johnston. 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 18.*

6. Correspondence

Hard copies

The Pensions Regulator – Re-enrolment and re-declaration legal duties. Scanned and emailed to TP Jones who confirmed that they would undertake the necessary declaration.

Email:

- a) 5/4/23: Northern Gas networks March 2023- asked if anyone in Healey parish was connected to the gas, if not these emails are of no importance and will not be circulated. No connection in parish.
- b) Northumberland Rivers trust – invasive plants along streams and rivers – funding to actively treat. Forwarded to CEG for a possible activity – any invasive plants in Healey parish?
- c) 13/4/23: Healthwatch Northumberland – Board Chair vacancy – 3 days each month £9,000 per year.
- d) 13/4/23: Neighbourhood Planning Team - Broomhaugh and Riding NP publicity regulations.
- e) 13/4/23: North Pennines AONB E-news
- f) 13/4/23: NCC Climate Change April newsletter
- g) 21/4/23: NCC Liam Hall – Public Access system - planning consultees - 25-page pdf attachment
- h) 24/3/23: NHS Northumbria Healthcare five public governors needed at Hexham local NHS.
- i) 24/3/23: NALC April Enews – lots of Vat reclaim training information.
- J) 26/4/23: NCC Chris Angus: T&PC Conference 4/5/23 at Queen’s Hall, Planning on agenda (unfortunately PW can’t go
- k) 26/4/23: Northern Powergrid survey by 5/5/23
- l) 2/6/23: NCC local government boundary commission consultation closes 10/7/23
- m) 2/5/23: Northern Powergrid ZOOM regional Forum 28/6/23 at 10.30 a.m.

7. Planning:

23/01334/FUL: Construction of detached garage. Silvertop House, Kiln Pit Hill, Consett. DH 8 9 RS
No objections.

23/00887/FUL Mr P. Worsley, Starvall, School House Farm, Kiln Pit Hill, Consett. DH8 9SB. Application for permanent retention of building for commercial breeding of rabbits, guinea pigs and accommodation for rescue rabbits (Retrospective). **Pending**

22/03746/FUL: Proposal to construct a new re habilitation and training equestrian center. Land north of Backworth Letch Farm, Kiln Pit Hill, Consett. Mr & Mrs Isaacs. **Pending Enforcement and appeals.**

8. Financial Report.

- a) Payments HMRC payment for Vat return £1,114.83 paid into bank account 29/3/23.
Cheque No 250: £1250.00 repayment of funds made by T, Warde-Aldam to Buxton Solicitors.
Cheque No 256 NALC annual subscription £67.10
- b) On-line banking – first hurdle HPC account does not recognise the Clerk as an official. The Chairman asked to telephone and make the Clerk an official. First two attempts by telephone have failed. Barclays has Ms Monica Anderton as the named official.
- c) AGAR forms formerly circulated by email and agreed including absent councillors.
 - c (i) Agreed the Certificate of Exemption - Chairman signed
 - c (ii) Agreed Section 1 Annual Governance Statement 2022/23 Chairman signed
 - c (iii) Agreed Section 2 Accounting Statements 2022/23 – Chairman signed

9. Memorial to commemorate the Coronation of King Charles 111.

St. John's has requested a white flowering cherry. Cllr Michael Cartlidge to have the hole dug. Clerk to purchase the cherry tree and hopefully the tree will be planted by Coronation Day. A plaque to be made "Presented by Healey PC to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles 111".

10. Public Access - embark on a Rights of Way improvement scheme.

a) email from Slaley PC Chairman reporting motorbikes using the bridle way 3 photographs emailed from Sunday 30/4/23. Forward to NCC's Alex Bell.

11. Domesday Project & Local History Group Report.

Local History Talks are now finished until the Autumn.

12. Barley Hill Endowment Fund

Fund manager, Kevin Maloney, has opted to come to the September 2023 meeting (he attended the September 2022 meeting). Cllr T. Warde-Aldam spoken with the Thompson family of Red Hemmels Farm who will make an application to the BHEF.

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

After resigning from CEG in January 2022, Peter Topping re-joined at the April 2023 meeting representing Healey parish.

14. Cllr Janeen Smith represents Healey PC at Slaley Commemoration Hall Management Committee's meetings.

Cllr Smith was given a vote of thanks for her years as the Healey PC representative, a role she undertook at the AGM in April 2019. The role will be taken over by Cllr Christine Johnston for the next 12 months.

15. Healey PC notice board in the Minsteracres estate - update by Cllr P Cain

No update received.

16. AOB

Cllr Michael Cartlidge suggested that a joint Slaley/Healey event in SCH would be a fitting tribute to Dr. Helen Savage as she and Olwen leave the area for their retirement in France. Clerk to make enquiries with Slaley PC and Churchwarden, Hilary Hamps & Rosaleen Doonan (Messy Church co-ordinator). Helen's institution & induction took place in Blanchland Abbey on April 22nd 2015 at 7.30 p.m.

17. Date of 2023 Meetings

Wednesday September 6th + BHEF meeting & refreshments for a special birthday

Wednesday December 6th - Agree Precept

18. 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.

There being no further business the meeting ended at 9.35 p.m.