

## **Minutes of Healey Parish Council September 6th 2017 in Slaley Commemoration Hall at 7.30 p.m.**

1. **Public Participation.** None

2. **Apologies** Councillor Christine Johnston & Public Jeroen Hoogland

**Present:** Councillor Tom Warde-Aldam in the Chair, Councillors Philip Cain, Janeen Smith, Michael L. Cartlidge & Acting Clerk Pat Wilson. Public: None.

3. **Declaration of Interest and Hospitality record.** None

4. **Minutes** of May 17<sup>th</sup> meeting pages 423 – 425. Interim Report No 62 18/5/17 – 6/6/17 pages 426-427. Interim report No 63 7/6/17 – 10/7/17, pages 428-429. Interim Report No 64 11/7/17 – 14/8/17, pages 430-431. Approved by Cllr. Philip Cain and seconded by Cllr Janeen Smith. The minutes were signed and dated.

### **5. Matters Arising:**

a) Visibility problems with Glen Cottage garden hedge - Healey residents letter to MP – Reply from Lewis Gray caseworker for Guy Opperman - indications are that the problem has been partially resolved after highways cut back part of the hedge on the highway side. However the beech hedge which borders the lead road remains a problem. Cllr. P. Cain will reply to Guy Opperman and explain the situation with an invitation to visit the crossroads and see first-hand the problem.

Slaley Chairman, Cllr RWH Hutchinson, sent an email to Kris Westerby, copied to Colin Horncastle, Guy Opperman and Healey Chairman, Tom Warde-Aldam, relaying the anger and frustration felt by the two councils and asked why Highways fail to undertake maintenance responsibilities satisfactorily.

b) 2 Int/64: AON not offering insurance cover for PC's at the renewal date of November this year. AON are suggested BHIB insurance brokers. BHIB had written to the Clerk indicating that they would be happy to take on the insurance and apart from a small change in IPT the coverage premium would remain the same (£282.19). Clerk has also requested a quote from Came & Co who provide the insurance for Slaley Parish Council. When the quotes come in a decision will be made via email during October.

c) Cllr P. Cain said that he still had repairs to the PC's notice board in mind.

### **6. Correspondence**

#### **Hard copies**

Joint meetings with Councils -Tynedale area 10/10/17; Clerks and Councils Direct.

#### **Emails:**

a) 15/8/17:NCC Megan Bracken Democratic Services – Joint meetings Tynedale area Tuesday 10/10/17.

b) 17/8/17: Stephen Rickitt, NALC AGM Pegswood 7/10/17.

c) 17/8/17: NALC Citizenship and Civic Engagement - responses to national office.

d) 18/8/17: CAN Community-led housing meeting at Hexham 13/9/17.

e) 21/8/17: RSN weekly digest

f) 22/8/17: Tracy Jennings Funding Bulletin

g) 23/8/17: NALC working with the Big Lottery Fund – applications can now be made by local councils.

h) 23/8/17: NALC Enews

i) 29/8/17: NALC Enews

j) 31/8/17: RSN weekly digest.

k) 31/8/17: Stephen Rickitt – training programme courses.

l) 5/9/17: NALC on the Broadband Universal Service Obligation

m) 5/9/17: Tyendale local Area meeting 12/9/17 at Wentworth Leisure Centre.

## **7. Planning Applications**

**17/01103/FUL:** Construction of a timber agricultural building on land north-west of School House, Starvall, Kiln Pit Hill, Consett. Applicant Phillip Michael Worsley **Pending**

### **Decisions by planning authority.**

Int/60: Planning Enforcement Notice has been served on the registered owner of the unauthorized motorcross bike track at School House Farm. **No Update**

Cllr. T. Warde-Aldam reported on the current status of the Core Strategy/ Planning / Green Belt restrictions/ Social housing

Clerk to ask planning if **17/01103/FUL relates to 16/00922/ENDEVT**

## **8. Financial Report.**

Cheques to be signed

No 165: Patricia Wilson 6 months salary less tax £276.60

No 166 Healey churchyard maintenance £400

Approved by Cllr. Janeen Smith and seconded by Cllr Michael L Cartlidge. The cheque was signed. The Pensions Regulator – automatic enrolment duties – correspondence noted by the Councillors.

## **9. Broadband Update**

Meeting with Simon Roberson (BT) at Slaley on August 15<sup>th</sup>. Lots of feedback – Jon Storey of Holly Cottage is grouped with Philip Cain and outside the Slaley BT supply.

Clerk received an email from Paul Smith DANECO which is the first update since May 11<sup>th</sup> which was reported in the Annual Parish Meeting on May 17<sup>th</sup>. Cllr T. Warde-Aldam will contact iNorthumberland for an update from its point of view. Clerk to contact Austin and ask about the Shire connection with Paul.

## **10. Local Transport Programme 2018-19**

Further correspondence received indicating that there was insufficient funding for traffic safety at South Lodge Minsteracres for 2017-18 but that it could be resubmitted if still a priority – resubmitted + annual cutting of Glen Cottage beech hedge to a safe height and grass verges cut at Scales Cross..

## **11. Domesday Project & Local History Club Report.**

September speaker Dr. George Proud – Mystery Myth and Medicine

October speaker George Nairn - History of Picture Postcards

## **12. Barley Hill Endowment Fund**

School Messy Kitchen

Ladycross Nature Reserve is currently one of three beneficiaries during September and October for the blue tokens

## **13. A.O.B.**

a) Tour Ecosse - Class Cars from Holland - 22nd, 23rd & 24th September. Asked Slaley notes to mention.

b) Dawn has voiced concern about speeding tractors through Healey hamlet. Cllr. Warde-Aldam to contact James Enderby

## **14. Date of 2017 Meetings**

Precept meeting December - Wednesday December 6<sup>th</sup>

There being no further business the meeting ended at 9 p.m.