

Minutes of Slaley Parish Council, Monday September 9th 2019
at 7.30 p.m. in Slaley Commemoration Hall

1. Public Participation. None

2. Apologies.

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

3. Declaration of Interests and Hospitality Record. None.

4. Minutes of August 13th 2019 meeting (circulated pages 1394 – 1397) and appendix 1, page 1398.

The Minutes were proposed as a true record by Cllr S. C. Douglas and seconded by Cllr. A. M. Livesey. The minutes were then signed and dated.

5. Matters Arising.

a) 5a 13/8/19; 8r 8/7/19: Local request for Emergency First Aid Training – there has been 1 request for the training outside of the Parish Council members. Clerk to book a date in early November – possibly a Thursday then re-advertise in the September Slaley news

b) 12 13/8/19: Email sent to Manager of R&C requesting clarification on storage of replacement Defib pads; Contacts for the Defib etc. The completed form has been emailed to NEAS.

c) 8bb 13/8/19: RCEF funding relaunch – more information from Ewan Boyd PW explained that the school already had solar panels generating income for NCC, the new extension on the Commemoration Hall was questioned. This to be looked at further in Spring 2020.

6. Community Trust Update. None.

7. Matters for Discussion with County Councillor

a) Report by Cllr S Carson on site meeting with Highways Office, Glen Harrison on 19/8/19: Flooding on highway – Townfoot – Lead Road north of Woodnook Farm – Wooley road = all noted and will be added into programme of work.

Dipton Cut railings damaged = all noted and will be added into programme of work.

Linnels bridge white road markings on southern approach to narrow section & saplings on Hexham approach = all noted and will be added into programme of work.

Glen crossroads hedge – aware of problems and knew that legal team were involved. Different road layouts discussed = all noted and will be discussed with another department + asked that a record of the incidents at the crossroads could be kept as evidence towards any future improvements.

Glen Harrison said he would forward an email identifying what action would and could be taken, as yet this has not been received. Cllr R.W.H. Hutchinson recommended to Cllr S. Carson that Cllr Carson record each site and the conversation that resulted from the visit and forward to Glen Harrison.

b) Cllr SC Douglas reported that several Slaley Show signs had been removed from the grass verges (as had Bellingham Show signs). By accident Cllr Douglas had discovered that Glen Harrison had the signs and they were recovered – the reason for their removal had been because Highways had asked that signs advertising a visiting Circus be removed and the Circus owner had asked why theirs had to go when Slaley & Bellingham Shows' were obviously on display. Cllr SC Douglas asked CC C Horncastle if this could be resolved for 2020.

c) Clerk asked about cleaning the village drains as recorded in the August minutes (agenda 11a) Cllr S Carson said they had been done the day after being asked by the PC Clerk.

d) Cllr A.M. Livesey reported broken area surrounding a utility cover near Woolly Grange entrance off the U8089

e) Cllr J Storey asked if the chevron at the corner between Holly Cottage and Glen View on the C265 could be replaced.

f) CC C Horncastle reported on work at the new QEHS and Haydon Bridge High School. Low Prudhoe development. Building work at Market Street and Corbridge Road and the Old Bunker site in Hexham. Work on Hexham's Bridge End round-a-bout due to begin in October. Hexham's old bus station rethink and the ground extractions near Egger to help stop Corbridge from flooding. Neil Snowden and village speed reduction to 20 mph.

8. Correspondence.

Hard copies.

Clerk & Councils Direct September.

Emails:

- a) 20/8/19: RSN Rural Bulletin
- b) 20/08/19: Matthew Price Fund-raising walk for Brain Tumour.
- c) 20/8/19: Emsley Andrea, Environment Agency – 8 attachments – Everyone who is not on mains water needs to licence the water they take. Asking for the PC's help in alerting anyone in the parish to the new requirements. It appears that this only affects people who have used 200cm in any 24-hour period (that includes burst water pipes or leaking water troughs or refilling private swimming pools). Cllr D. J. Taylor has spoken to Slaley Hall and Cllr S.C. Douglas has looked into the Trygill private water supply.
- d) 22/8/19: Streetworks TTRO Eilansgate, Hexham
- e) 23/8/19: NCC Local Plan hearing sessions 8/10/19 at Morpeth Town Hall
- f) 28/8/19: RSN rural bulletin
- g) 28/8/19: NALC Enews planning
- h) 28/8/19: NALC Enews general
- i) 29/8/19: NALC Member Update
- j) 29/8/19: Cllr Ian Hutchinson having a Charity Race Night at Ponteland
- k) 29/8/19: Lisa Mordue, Carers Northumberland registered charity.
- l) 30/8/19: Caroline Jones - Healthwatch Audiology Services Hexham 19/9/19
- m) 9/19: Brian Massey Fundraising lecture at Forum Cinema Hexham 23/10/19
- n) 2/9/19: Streetworks Emergency TTRO urgent repairs to collapsed ford
- o) 2/9/19: Claire Jackson Healthwatch Northumberland Conference 16/10/19 The Phoenix Theatre, Blyth.
- p) 2/9/19: Ann Atkinson, West Northumberland VCS meeting 26/9/19 & Funding Fair 24/10/19
- q) 3/9/19: RSN Rural Bulletin
- r) 3/9/19: Nichola Turnbull - Local Area Meeting 10/9/19
- s) 3/9/19: Streetworks TTRO Corbridge
- t) 4/9/19: RSN Monthly Funding Bulletin
- 4/9/19: Simon Bowens – Climate Emergency Action Group
- 4/9/19: John Maude Sport Tynedale Grant Aid Request – this was discussed and the councillors were unsure if the successful sporting teenagers of the parish received any backing from Sport Tynedale. Establishing a local "sporting fund" was proposed, however the problems associated with supporting one local person against another was not desirable. Alternatively, if the summer holiday sport and play booking with the village hall could be extended the Councillors would like to support local young people that way.

9. Financial Report.

- a) Real Time Information: TP Jones & Co LLP. Employers Summary August 2019
- b) Cheques to be signed –
Cheque No 741: GMS Repairs ground around six- benches on Community Play Area £348.00
Proposed by Cllr A. M. Livesey and seconded by Cllr D. J. Taylor the cheque was signed.
- c) Lloyds bank statement balance at 19/8/19: £12,886.55

10. New Planning Applications.

19/03646/FUL: Proposed demolition of existing dwelling and proposed construction of one new build dwelling plus new build double garage and associated access and landscaping. Rose Cottage, Slaley. NE47 0AA – The old Cottage with a date lintel of 1842, modernised in the mid 20th century, in a prominent site in

the centre of the village adjacent to Croft House and the former Methodist Chapel built in 1901 and Garden Cottage complex was demolished without sanction. Rob Murfin, head of planning, should be aware of this breach of planning. What redress can be expected.

19/02208/FUL: Proposal for reinstatement of original access to property & formation of new parking area. Rose Cottage, Wooley. Applicant C. Ryder. **Objections - pending,**

19/02223/FUL: Proposed demolition of existing side extension and construction of two storey side extension, front porch. 1 South Park. applicant Stephen Appleby. **Pending adequate parking and turning provision for a minimum of two vehicles should be made.**

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**

Decisions from Planning:

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

- a) A lady from Blackhill, Consett enquired about joining groups at Slaley. PW sent details of history meetings.
- b) Cllrs D. J. Taylor & S. C. Douglas have been working on the web site and have moved things around

12. Defibrillator Update – Monthly check list attached as appendix 1/090919, page 1402.

Cllr J. Storey reported that he had carried out the weekly inspections and that the Defib was working as expected. The monthly NEAS check list was completed by Cllr Storey and emailed to NEAS by the Clerk.

13. Update games/play area within school grounds.

GMS soiled, turfed and laid grass mats to the six seats during early August. Clerk reported this and asked the Councillors to water as needed. Thanks go to all members of the Parish Council who carried water to the site and stopped the new turf from dying. Headteacher reported (3/9/19) that a tiny section of the new matting had been broken off by (she thought) the lawnmower.

14. Slaley Parish Plan – Annual Information Board check & Facilities and Services Update

Information on the PC owned Defib should be made available on the web site and through facebook.

15. AOB

a) Mobile Post Office – A notice alerting people to loss of service from Thursday 22nd August – Wednesday 28th August place on lamp post where van stands. A Parkside resident telephoned the Clerk on Tuesday 3/9/19 asking what was wrong as the service had not resumed. Stocksfield PO telephoned 6/9/19 and asked if Slaley PC would lodge a formal complaint because the vehicle was still out of action having been taken to Manchester for repair to tail lift. Cllr D. J. Taylor reported that the van was back in Slaley on the evening of Friday 6/9/19. It was agreed that a report should be made to The Post Office. Cllr A.M. Livesey asked if the service could be conducted from a different parish outlet.

b) Slaley Community Shop is not recording regular payments towards the future purchase price. It was agreed to invite members of the Community Shop management to the October meeting to offer PC support.

16. Date of October 2019 meeting: Monday October 14th.

There being no further business the meeting ended at 9.30 p.m.