

Minutes of Slaley Parish Council on  
Monday 10th December 2012 7.30 p.m. in Slaley Commemoration Hall.

1. **Apologies.** Councillors D. Allsop & L. Norris.

**Present:** Councillor I.C. Hancock in the Chair. Councillors C. A. Brooks, T. Henderson & A. S. Robson. County Councillor Colin Horncastle & Clerk Mrs. P. Wilson.

Public: None. Northumbria Police: None. Courant Reporter: Rosalind Saul. Slaley Notes: None. Community Trust: None.

2. **Declaration of Interests and Hospitality Record.**

County Councillor Horncastle for agenda item 10.

3. **Minutes of November Parish Council Meeting (circulated pages 829 – 834), appendix 1 page 835, appendix 2 page 836 and appendix 3 page 837.**

The Minutes were proposed a true record by Cllr. C, Brooks and seconded by Cllr. T. Henderson. The minutes were dated and signed.

4. **Matters Arising.**

a) 4c 12/11/12; 13b 8/10/12: Mobile Post Office complaint reply from PO Customer Service Centre.

b) 9a 12/11/12 Financial Report. Thank you letters from

Great North Air Ambulance, CAN and a threatening letter from NCC for none payment. St. Mary the Virgin PCC Churchyard meanwhile informs the PC that the PCC are having great difficulty in raising sufficient funds to meet its obligations towards maintaining the church building and its churchyard as well as helping to meet its obligations in respect of the provision of clergy for the parish. **Clerk to reply that the Councillors are sympathetic with the funding problems and if there are specific needs to the fabric of the Church then the PC may be able to help.**

c) 12b 12/11/12 Adapt dial-a-ride service reply from Ian Coe circulated by email and received a hard copy.

d) 14 12/11/12 Parish Councillor Vacancy. Liam Henry NCC principal lawyer emailed that he had forwarded the declaration of acceptance form to Cllr. Henderson. **This was signed – there were no Code of Conduct Review - Register of Interest Forms as completed by other Councillors in September.**

5. **Public Participation.**

None.

6. **Community Trust Report circulated and attached as appendix. 1/101212, page 842.**

a) Invitation to PC members to attend the public meeting on Sunday December 16<sup>th</sup> at 16.30. **Cllr Hancock informed the meeting that he would attend and represent the PC on Sunday December 16<sup>th</sup>.**

b) Email from Kirsten Francis NCC dated 29/11/12 re CT letter nominating the R&C as a community asset.

7. **Matters for Discussion with County Councillor.**

a) The disappointment of not being able to fund part of the work at Dukesfield was recorded, however, a grant of £4,000 has been given towards capital work.

b) Discussion with NCC highways about reduced service: current flooding problems caused in part by neglected drainage. Clerk to send 6 worst areas to Colin by Thursday p.m.

c) Cllr Brooks asked about the private water supply meeting. Answer: only mandatory if you are a business.

d) Slaley second speed unit still not arrived. Councillor Horncastle to speak with Rueben.

## **8. Correspondence.**

### **Hard copy:**

- a) Great North Air Ambulance seeking financial aid. **Grant has been paid for 12/13.**
- b) Tynedale Hospice at Home seeking financial aid. **After discussion the Councillors agreed to award a grant of £200.**
- c) Invitation to the annual Sport Tynedale Awards Evening 3/12/12 at Hexham Mart.
- d) NCC Carrol Hessey Winter Services Policy & Information letter and leaflet entitled Highway Services in Winter.
- e) Hellens Contacts/Plant/Development advertising brochure; CAN Annual Report 2011/12; Tynedale Hospice at Home Letter and Autumn Newsletter; Proludic Primo play and sport equipment. Glasdon leaflets

### **Emails**

- a) 14/11/12: Rachel Turnbull thirty-three page document on how we engaged in shaping our local health services. No one attended the workshops in Hexham over August / September.
- b) 16/11/12 Carrol Hessey Proposals to change the Permitted Development Rights consultation 16/11/12 - 24/12/12. Asked for a Councillor to undertake reading through the consultation. Cllr D. Allsop volunteered at Slaley.
- c) 17/11/12: NALC E-news November 2012
- d) 19/11/12:RSN weekly digest Nov 19
- e) 26/11/12: RSN weekly digest Nov 26
- f) 26/11/12: Iain Rowe NCC Policy & Research Team economic performance
- g) 30/11/12: Anne Rosemary Newton asking for help in registering against wind power.
- h) 3/12/12: RSN future for the LEADER programme.
- i) 3/12/12: Slaley School FOSS if you shop online choose Slaley First School and a percentage can go towards school funds.
- j) 3/12/12: RSN weekly digest Dec 3
- k) 3/12/12: Mike Bird West Area meeting December 11<sup>th</sup> at Haydon Bridge.
- l) 4/12/12: Mike Bird: Workshop at Prospect House Hexham Thursday 24/1/13 for anyone interested in becoming a Councillor.
- m) 6/12/12: RSN Rural Opportunities Bulletin
- n) 7/12/12: Can e:News Extra
- o)7/12/12: Mike Bird more on Parish Elections.
- p) 10/12/12: RSN weekly digest for Dec 10

## **9. Financial Report.**

a) Cheques to be signed

Cheque No 482 Michael Elphick web page maintenance	£50.00
Cheque No 483 Tynedale Hospice at Home (see 8b above)	£200.00

b) Income Received Web Space hire from Healey Parish Council £50.00

## **10. Current Planning Applications.**

**12/03467/VARYCO:** Variation of condition 5 of planning permission 20110117 Installation of UPVC windows. Fernwood House, West Woodfoot. No objections.

**12/03280/FUL:** Construction of a new two story dwelling with garage in replacement of the existing out buildings adjacent to West Orchard House, Slaley. No objections

**12/03296/FUL:** Construction of proposed agricultural building. North Cocklake. No objections providing the answer to the public footpath query is addressed.

**12/02866/FUL:** Conversion of conservatory to kitchen and associated external works. Mallard Cottage. West Woodfoot. No objections

**12/013190/FUL:** Constructing an agricultural storage building. Mallard Cottage. West Woodfoot. No objections

**12/02059/FUL:** Single storey rear extension and alterations to existing kitchen to form new kitchen, dining room and utility. Ashlea, Slaley. No objection to planning however concerns over lack of parking provision are generally not addressed in village extensions. **Pending**

**Decisions from planning:** None

**11. Permitted Development Rights Consultation Document Cllr D. Allsop to read and make proposed responses – attached as appendix 2/101212, page 843.**

The proposals made by Cllr. Allsop were discussed and in some cases amended.

**12. Sarah Wood & Ashley Brown re Mobile Youth Provision meeting 3/12/12 minutes attached as appendix 3/101212, page 844.**

The draft flyer supplied by Sarah was not considered adequate. Clerk to make initial amendments.

**13. Update games/play area within school grounds.**

a) Damage done to BMX pipe by GMS tractor while hedge cutting. School has asked GMS to repair the damage.

**14. Dukesfield Smelt Mill Arches Project Update**

a) The second phase HLF grant application of 350 has gone off, we should hear the outcome in March.

b) Matched funding from local charities is presently underway.

c) Newcastle Journal reporter, Paul Tully, meeting with members of the steering group for information to go into a feature article.

d) Some good photographs of the archeological dig on Hexhamshire web site.

**15. Agree Precept Spending for 2013/14 attached as appendix 4/101212, page 845.**

a) Election costs as per email of 30/9/12 from Mike Bird (see agenda item 8q 8/10/12)

b) Clarification request on election costs by Cllr AS Robson circulated by email 6/12/12.

c) Any donation to the Dukesfield Smelters and Carriers project should come out the underspend grant brought forward.

d) Any costs associated with the Mobile Youth Provision (see agenda 12 above) should come out the underspend grant brought forward.

e) Precept for 13/14

Clerk's Salary £3,300.00

Came & Co Insurance £0,300.00

NALC £0,120.00

Audit Commission £0,150.00

Commemoration Hall 15 meetings @ £21 each £0,315.00

Postage, telephone, photocopying etc £0,300.00

Slaley community Web Page Hosting with Zen £0,060.00

Parish Grass Cutting four sites + B6306 Townhead to Lawn House show week £0,600.00

BOATs Sub Committee £0,020.00

Parish Election contribution towards 2013 election £0,100.00

400.00 was designated in 2012/13

Grants see carried forward from 2010/11 £0,000.00

Use carried forward

Dukesfield Smelters and Carriers Project £0,000.00

Use carried forward	
Mobile Youth Club	£0,000.00
Use carried forward	
Contingency	£0,500.00
Web Page Management	£0,050.00
Parish grit & snow clearing	£0,150.00
Community Play area within school grounds annual inspection with NCC	£0,300.00
Community Play area within school grounds public liability insurance	£0,100.00 NCC
Community Play Area: GMS strimming around bicycle track	£0,385.00
Community Play Area once weekly inspection on 9 items £445.00	
each additional item 95p per week	£0,800.00
	<b>£7,550.00</b>

**16. BOATs update.**

Public enquiry at Slaley on Tuesday January 15<sup>th</sup> for the contested Espershileds RB. Healey PC has asked if we can support RS with our presence.

**17. AOB.**

**18. Date of January monthly meeting.**

Monday January 14<sup>th</sup> 2013 and a full list of the dates has been forwarded to Anne Wright

There being no further business the Chairman wished the Councillors a Happy Christmas and the meeting ended at 9.40 p.m.