

KIRKLEVINGTON AND CASTLE LEAVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of a Meeting held on Tuesday, 25th July, 2017 at 7.30p.m
In Kirklevington Village Hall, Kirklevington**

**Present: Mr T Hampton (Chair) (TH), Mrs J Beaumont (Vice Chair) (JB)
Mrs J Smith (JS) Mr D Bell (DB)
Dr. J Parker (JP) Mrs K Brown (KB)
Mrs. R. Mazonas (RM) (Clerk) (PC)
Borough Councillors Mrs E Hampton & Mr T. Hampton**

**Also in attendance: Mrs P. Thompson (PT), Mr. N Thompson (NT), Mrs G Allen (GA), Mr J
Thompson (JT), Mrs D. Young (DY), Mr D. Bell (DB), Mr D. Smith (DS), Mr A McLee (AMc), Mr A.
Alton (AA) Northumbria Water: Mr D. Mitchell (DM), Mr K. Boutell (KB), Mr. J. Rose (JR)**

1) APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE - Non

2) DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

A Declaration of Interest was duly completed by **KB, EH & TH** who declared a non-prejudicial interest as a member of the Church of St Martin and St Hilary. **JP, JB & KB** declared a non-prejudicial interest as members of the Kirkfest Events group. **JP** declared a non-prejudicial interest as part of the Leader Project. **JB** declared a prejudicial interest as a members of Kirklevington Action Group (KAG). **JB** declared a prejudicial interest as Treasurer of Kirklevington Memorial Hall. **KB & JB** declared a prejudicial interest as a residents living in close proximity to planning application 15/1643/OUT and Banks planning application 16/3035/OUT proposed development west of St. Martins Way. **GT** declared a prejudicial interest as a resident of 22 Forest Lane re Duchy Estates presentation re 17/0224/FUL proposed development on land to rear of home. **EH** declared a non-prejudicial interest as a member of Stockton Borough Council's Planning Committee. **TH & EH** declared a non-prejudicial interest as a Stockton Borough Councillor.

3) MINUTES OF THE LAST PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the June meeting were duly read, **APPROVED** and signed. **KB, TH**

TH requested that item 6) Northumbria Water representative be brought forward AGREED BY ALL

6) NORTHUMBRIA WATER VISIT FROM REPRESENTATIVES

- **DM** introduced himself and his colleagues and began the meeting by informing the Parish Council of Northumbria Waters responsibilities relating to Private Pumping Stations and Rising Mains.
- **Crathorne Pumping Station** – does not pump all the time and a maximum of 8 hours. Sewage in line and well does go septic. Tanker water flushing takes place. Chemical dosing at Crathorne to be used. Carbon filters have been put under manhole covers.
- **JB** informed the meeting that Chemical Dosing was carried out years ago but that there was a stench pipe on the corner of Pump Lane at that time which has since been removed which discharged the smells into the atmosphere and caused little smell. **JB** reported that there is still a problem with smells that gravitate to the bottom of Pump Lane and in particular on a Monday. **JB** also asked if the stench pipe could be reinstated. **DM** stated that the reinstatement of a vent stack would not be a problem to install at the bottom of Pump Lane.

- **State of Sewage Pipes in Village - AA** questioned the Jomast/Story pipework system and capacity. **AA** stated that two developments Jomast/Story and Banks were proposing to connect at the same point on St, Martins Way and questioned the condition of the existing pipes. **AA** pointed out that only a desk top model had been conducted which does not take these issues into consideration and concerns remain. **AA** asked if it was possible to have cameras put down this pipework for inspection. **DM** stated that this would be easy to carry out. **DM** also stated that if problems were found with the sewage system then Northumbria Water will have to sort out and plan work to rectify.
- **JB** asked that all pipes and their capacity be checked in order to mitigate any possible faults before building works commence. **DM** stated that if capital work is required then Northumbria Water will take this on board.
- **TH** asked as to what can be done if a problem arises. Who do we contact? **TH** also pointed out that residents will be more assured if investigations by Northumbria Water can be conducted as soon as possible.
- **Treatment Works – JT** stated that the design capacity of the existing Sewage Works was not satisfactory. Extra removal wagons will be needed to cope with the additional capacity from the proposed developments. **DM** stated that there had been a problem with RBC and updated on how the system works. Now an enclosed system with no smell and no flies. Worked for a number of years but no desludging enough. Tanks emptied but not designed for pressure alterations. Problem with baffle wall. Contractors used too big a crane and damaged resident's footpaths on Ash Grove. Repair now completed on Baffle Wall and it is expected that tanker movements will reduce after April, 2018. **DM** stated that the site has ample capacity from all approved and proposed developments.
- **JS** pointed out that the sewage works site was bought for Kirklevington village and that Crathorne had 'piggy backed' using our sewage works. She stated that Crathorne should now consider having their own sewage works.
- **AA** stated that one option would be for a mechanised pre-screening plant to be installed and asked if this was something that Northumbria Water would consider. **DM** confirmed that this was a possibility.

TH thanks the Northumbria Water Team for attending the Parish Council meeting.

4) MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

9a) MAPS USED IN PLANNING APPLICATION – MRS R BUTLER

Mrs Butler has compiled a letter which she has requested be forwarded to SBC from the Parish Council. It was agreed to send in the letter as a letter received by a resident.

11c) Community Bus

JB reported that she had negotiated with Stagecarriage for the Community Bus to continue running until 17th August, 2017. Unfortunately no further funding is available from Stockton Borough Council and the **Community Bus will cease to run after 17th August.**

5) PARISH COUNCILLOR VACANCY – CO-OPTION

JB informed the Parish Council that she had spoken to the resident who had shown an interest in becoming a Co-opted Parish Councillor. She had been able to clarify the reason that the Parish Council were not in a position to approve the appointment at the May Parish Council meeting as Mr. David Bell had only just handed in his resignation and was able to let the resident know the procedure that has to be followed following a resignation. Following the advertising of the vacancy and no candidates apply for the vacancy through SBC the vacancy now becomes a Co-opted Parish Councillor vacancy and the Parish Council are now able to appoint. Alison Kirkwood's name was put forward as a Co-opted Parish Councillor. **Proposed GT Seconded JS** The **PC** to organise the paperwork.

6) NORTHUMBRIA WATER VISIT FROM REPRESENTATIVES

This item was moved forward after item 3 at the request of TH

7) CCTV – KIRKLEVINGTON MEMORIAL HALL

The **PC** presented details of the proposed CCTV systems that had been received. Her husband had visited and spoken to all the suppliers and after consideration the quote from Visual Security Systems was considered to be the most acceptable at a cost of £1,266.60 plus VAT. The **PC** will need to organise the installation of an electrical socket at the Memorial Hall. The **PC** has spoken to the Memorial Hall Trustees and will keep them in the picture at all times.

Proposed **GT** and Seconded **KB**

8) GRANT- MAASAI WARRIORS VISIT

KB informed the Parish Council that a grant was no longer required but that the Maasai Warriors have a very full programme of events in the local area and will be visiting schools to give demonstrations and show artefacts. Kirklevington Primary School had looked into having a visit but the cost of £380 was not affordable. **KB** also informed the Parish Council that there was a possibility of the Maasai Warriors coming to the Church Fete but that, at this time, it may be too late to organise.

9) PLANNING

a) UPDATES

At a meeting of **KAG** which Mr Daniel Smith, Head of Office for Dr. Paul Williams M.P. for Stockton South had attended, he informed the meeting that Paul was very keen to get involved in objecting to the Banks planning application. **KAG** to hold a further meeting on Thursday, 27th July to work with **DS** to put together an amendment to the Banks planning application.

JT informed the meeting that an email had been sent to SBC.

AA also informed the meeting that a further email is to be sent to SBC and that there is a need for answers before the Banks planning application goes before the SBC Planning Committee.

DB questioned whether we are to continue liaising with Richard McGuckin? **DB** also thanked all the **KAG** members for all their dedicated work. Once **KAG** has finalised their work an invite to go to Richard McGuckin

TH informed the meeting that he had taken legal advice from SBC and that he proposed to attend the SBC Planning Committee meeting representing the Parish Council.

b) APPLICATIONS

17/1650/FUL 59 Forest Lane, Kirklevington, TS15 9NE

Two storey extension to the side, conversion of flat roof to pitched on existing garage and canopy to front (Conversion of flat roof to pitched dormer and demolition of existing single storey side extension).

17/1718/REM Land to the South of Kirklevington

Reserved matters application for access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale for the erection of 145 dwelling houses to include 22 affordable homes, village shop, car park, multi-use games area, landscaping and associated engineering works.

Applicant: Story Homes Ltd and Jomast Developments Ltd.

c) PLANNING – NEIGHBOURING PARISHES

13/2487/NMD Morley Carr Farm, Morley Carr Drive, Yarm, TS15 9FE

Non material amendment to planning approval 13/2487/REM – Application for reserved mater approval (appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) for the erection of 350 no. dwellings, provision of associated open space, recreational/community facilities and landscaping

d) DELEGATED DECISIONS

16/3179/OUT Field View Camp Site, Green Lane, Yarm

Outline application with some matters reserved for the erection of 6 no. dwellings with associated means of access

APPROVED

17/0914/VARY -Tall Trees Hotel, Worsall Road, Kirklevington

Section 73 application to vary conditions no2 (Approved plans) no3 (Materials, no9 (Landscaping) and no12 (Means of Enclosure) of planning approval 15/1639M – Reserved matters application (appearance and landscaping, layout and scale) for planning approval 13/2568/EIS for the erection of 139 dwellings, open space, sports facilities and community allotments and pavilion. **APPROVED**

10 TRAFFIC MONITORING

The PC informed the meeting that she was due to meet Derek Williamson from Swarco to be given all the equipment necessary for the SID at the end of Pump Lane.

11) KIRKFEST 2017

Once again a very successful week of events which were enjoyed by all. JP informed the meeting that a further meeting of the group would be held in the autumn to discuss the 2017 events and discuss and decide upon dates for 2018.

12) CORRESPONDENCE

- NALC Newsletter 13th June, 2017
- Mrs R. Butler – TWM Archaeology – Reply from Newcastle City Council
- Dave Mitchell – Query relating to the capacity of the sewage system In Kirklevington
- Janice McColl – Step Forward Tees Valley – Visit to a Parish Council meeting xxxxx
- NALC – Newsletter 27th June, 2017
- Jonathan Kibble – Community Transport
- NALC – Newsletter – July, 2016
- NALC – Star Council's 2017
- NALC – Transparency fund update
- NALC – LTN 54 Updated – Protection of Ownerless Common Land

- Economic Growth and Development Services – Rights of Way Improvement Plan (2018 – 2023)
- NALC – Newsletter 1th July, 2017
- Peter Mennear – Stockton Council Review of Defibrillators
- NALC – LO4-17 Reform of Data Protection Legislation
- M. Tyerman – Lanchest Village Development Win
- NALC – Newsletter – 18th July, 2017

13) FINANCE

Mrs R Mazonas

Salary July, 2017	£26144	
Broadband June, 2017	£14.99	
Stationery	<u>£52.09</u>	<u>£328.52</u>
GGN Sportscare Limited		£190.80
Grass & Hedge Cutting June 2017		
SLCC		£41.40
Training Course – Parish Clerk		
Companies House		£20.00
Archived Admin Cost & DVD		

14) VILLAGE ISSUES

a) THE GREEN, KIRKLEVINGTON

Following extensive enquiries by **AA** the ownership of The Green is still not known. The question as to if The Green is a Designated Green Space was raised. **TH** to make enquiries with SBC

b) VANDALISM TO PARKED CAR ON THE GREEN

KB reported that a car which was parked at the side of The Green had had its tyres slashed and the car keyed during the night. It is believed that the matter had been reported.

c) SALTERGILL LANE

JS reported that Saltergill Lane is now like a jungle and that extensive work is required to cut back vegetation. The **PC** to contact SBC.

d) PLAY AREA

The **PC** informed the meeting that the benches and picnic tables needed to be painted with preservative. **GT** volunteers to paint. The **PC** to obtain the preservative.

c) CHRISTMAS EVENT

The **PC** reminded the meeting that a date needs to be set for the **Christmas Event**. After discussion it was decided to set the date as **Sunday, 10th December**. The organisation of the event will be discussed at a later date although the **PC** will organise for the Christmas tree to be in position by that date.

15) ROAD SAFETY MATTERS

a) Parking of Taxi at side of The Crown

Once again we have received several complaints relating to taxi drivers parking at the side of The Crown when dropping off passengers. Residents living in Kirklevington are well aware as to how dangerous parking at this point is for drivers entering Forest Lane from the A67. The PC was requested to write to Royal Cars pointing out how dangerous such parking is to not only other drivers but passengers exiting the taxi and the taxi driver. The PC to also remind Royal Cars that there are cameras at this point in the road.

b) Road under Railway Bridge

KB reported that the condition of the road under the railway bridge was unsatisfactory and a danger to cyclists. PC to report to SBC.

c) Footpath - School to Postbox/Pump Lane Junction

EH informed the meeting that the Borough Councillors were obtaining quotes for the resurfacing of the footpath from the school entrance to the post box/Pump Lane junction. The cost of the work will be paid for out of the Ward Budget of around £4,000. EH to confirm.

15) MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION AT NEXT MONTHS MEETING

Skills Audit/Assessment

INVITATION – JANICE McCOLL – STEP FORWARD TEES VALLEY

16) MEETING DATES

Tuesday, 12th September, 2017

Tuesday, 10th October, 2017

Tuesday, 7th November, 2017

Tuesday, 5th December, 2017

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