## **DRAFT** -Bamburgh Parish Council

Minutes Parish meeting held on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2024 at Pavilion.

Present –Andrew Bardgett (AB) John Mackey (JM) Barbara Brook (BB) Kirsty Dobson (KD) Kate Morton (KM) Sue Aldred (SA) Joan Mitchell (JMC) Guy Renner-Thompson (GRT)

2 Representatives of Northumbria Police, 2 members of the Public

- **1.** Apologies None
- 2. Declaration of interest Sue Aldred, Kate Morton
- 3. Minutes of 29<sup>th</sup> November 2023 Accepted and signed as correct record AB and KD
- 4. Matters Arising:
  - **Highways Update/Traffic Calming/Speeding/Wynding/Ingram Road** AB BPC received response and new plans today from NCC, the councillors will review and advise. GRT will push for the remaining double yellow lines to be completed on The Wynding.
  - Wheelchair Access to Beach (Beach Access to NE) KD/BB KD advised after recent storms path for beach access has changed course, Coast Care have advised that they would attend and fix any sand movements if necessary.
  - Playpark Update JM The first technical inspection of the Playpark is due to be carried out January 18<sup>th</sup>, JM to address any issues. Moles have been reported and clerk has contacted pest control to resolve. Rear pathway very muddy, JM to inspect and look at a possible solution i.e. some form of mesh to be applied.
  - Beach Toilet Request KM/AB A request for support to this was sent to the leaders of Northumberland County Council on the 17<sup>th</sup>November, response received from NCC rejecting this proposal, BPC will request a meeting to debate/discuss further.

## 5. Public Questions -

- A resident advised of a recent postage stamp scam, will send information to the Bamburgh google group detailing the scam.
- Resident emailed 3 items 1. Potholes on Front Street advised work due to commence February. 2. Requested details of a housing survey – BPC did not have these details. 3. Request for improvements and free access for residents to Tennis Courts – BPC advised to contact Pavilion committee.
- Resident emailed request for an allotment BPC unaware of any available land but would advise that contact with landowners would be a suggestion.
- **6. Planning Application(s)** an updated statement for Planning Application 23/04358/FUL, was agreed by four councillors, clerk to submit to portal. New validation checklist to assist future applications is planned.
- 7. Financial Statement JMC update on the financial statement, bank statement @ 17/01/24 = Current A/C £1,442.59, Saver A/C £50,781.88 (includes grant £17,619.00)
- **8.** Parish Precept 2024/25 AB A £500.00 increase to parish precept, in line with inflation was proposed and agreed by all councillors.

## • Other Business -

- Representatives of Northumbria Police kindly attended the meeting and gave advice on contact, when necessary, also held a short Q & A with members of public who were in attendance.
- After the recent request letter posted on parish website and google group, £1300.00 has so far been received from holiday homeowners.
- BB advised after damaged light on The Green has been removed a new light and sensor has been proposed by Pavilion committee, BPC agreed to split the cost with the Pavilion for replacement.
- After Pavilion committee discussion regarding the BPC grant received from Northern Powergrid, JM agreed to contact department within NCC to discuss possibility of switch to generator.
- Clerk to contact NCC local services to request if grass cutting at the War Memorial can be included in their schedule.

Date of next meeting – Thursday 29th February 2024 – The Pavilion