

Bamburgh Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish meeting held on Tuesday 14th May 2019 at 6.30pm in the Bamburgh Pavillion.

Present - Andrew Bardgett (AB), Dave Miller (DM), Barbara Brook (BB), Cameron Hinson (CH), Alex Tait (AT), Cllr Guy Renner-Thompson, Kirsty Dobson (DB)

Apologies - None

BB reported that the parking/speeding consultation within the Village would be extended until the next Parish Meeting on Monday 8th July. Residents were still commenting and the Parish Council wanted to be in a position to collate all of the information from residents to provide a uniformed decision at our next meeting. There will be a closing date of 1st July for comments to be made either via the Google Group or via email to bamburghcouncil@gmail.com or written letters to Dorothy Scott, The Mill House, Chatton, Alnwick, Northumberland NE66 5RA.

1. **Declaration of interest** – none

2. **Minutes of 11th March 2019** - Accepted and signed as a correct record

a) BB reported the new Bin had been installed outside the Pavilion, thanks to Terry Harkins and his team.

b) Path around the Green – GRT reported that we would need to check to ensure either the work had finished or it was still ongoing. DJS to contact NCC.

c) Relocation of the bus stop – This had now been completed although CH reported that it was still shallow and allowed people waiting to get wet when it was raining. This to be put on future agenda.

4. Public Questions

- Judy Cowen to Cllr Guy Renner-Thompson – When will the path between Bamburgh and Seahouses get underway? GRT reported that the work would begin after the May bank holiday but it had been delayed because of the disruption whilst the work was undertaken.

5. Matters Arising

- **Holiday Notification** – BB asked all Councillors to let DJS know if they were going on holiday for a week or more.
- **Painting Lampposts around the Grove** – GRT reported that Gavin Barlow was on long term leave, however the conversion of the lampposts to LED lighting around the County had been a disaster with contractors having gone bust, so this was a priority for the Lighting Department at the moment. DJS to contact NCC.
- **Toilets update** – GRt reported the toilets would be finished either Wednesday or Thursday, a photoshoot would take place on Thursday. GRT has examples of water fountains which can be installed, KD to look at samples, GRT reported that the running costs were approximately £50.00 per year.
- **War memorial update**- BB reported that we have received a picture of the statue in progress, Cllrs have been invited to see the sculptor at work in June. What will happen to Tommy there but not there – Sam Morton reported that it could be used in the WW1 exhibition in the Castle, the original statue dependant upon its state could be used as

part of the Heritage Project. Cllrs to take photos of the old statue when they are visiting the sculptor.

- **North East War Memorial Project** - Registered Charity. Needs sponsorship for new website. Agreed to donate £100. Belford Army Cadets – visit to War Graves in France – Agreed to donate £100.00
- **Streetscape/Road Issues/Parking** – GRT reported that he had heard from Northumbria Police regarding Community Speed Advisors. Anyone interested in taking part as a Community Speed Advisors would need to provide their name, address and DOB and a police check would be carried out. Training would be provided, any volunteers to contact GRT or the Google Group.
- GRT reported that he had heard from Bernicia Housing regarding parking in Lindisfarne Avenue, Bernicia do not want to be involved at all so GRT has contact MP Marie Trevelyan to see if she can help progress this issue.
- Judy Cowen reported that the yellow lines along Lucker Road that were removed during the installation of the drainage have not been replaced. GRT to chase this up.
- GRT has met with and spoken to the AONB regarding the designation area, there is a lot of legal/statutory responsibilities that the AONB have to adhere to and which may affect any solutions that residents may come up with regarding parking/speeding issues. GRT to send information to DJS/Google Group so this information can be shared. AONB to be invited to our next meeting to discuss speeding/parking etc. – DJS to also contact AONB to ask for their opinion on what would be acceptable traffic calming measures, this will also be sent to residents for information.
- Gill Bardgett asked how often the enforcement officers are present in the Village –GRT replied they do visit regularly and once the car parking charges have been implemented in July more enforcement will be carried out.
- Sam Morton asked if it was possible to get any speeding information for the last 10 years or so and how many accidents have been reported to we can see if there is an actual problem rather than a perceived problem. Ralph Baker-Cresswell reported that the most serious accidents that have occurred have occurred outside the Village.
- CH reported that he had received a couple of complaints regarding the seating area outside the Victoria Hotel – when it is busy people cannot get past on the path and have resorted to walking down the road which is dangerous. DJS to write an email to Alex at the Victoria on behalf of the Parish Council.
- AB confirmed he would be attending on the Visit to the Sleekburn Recycling Plant and will report back.
- GRT reported that the Budle Bay Viewing Platform is almost finished and will be opened for use very soon.
- Ralph Baker-Cresswell confirmed the organisation of the Bamburgh Festival is well underway, he will send a summary to KD for Google Group.

- AT asked what were peoples feelings on the Hut down the Wynding serving food – Will Armstrong reported that this opportunity had been open to anyone who had wanted to do this. Martin Owen who runs it is using local produce and is open to comments on how it looks.

DONM – Monday 8th July at 6.30pm in the Pavilion.