

## **Bamburgh Parish Council**

Minutes of the Parish meeting held on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September in the Bamburgh Pavilion.

Present:- D, Miller (DM) B. Brook (BB) Andrew Bardgett (AB), Jude Aldred (JA)

**Apologies** – Noel Page (NP)

Declaration of Interest – None reported.

- Minutes of 3<sup>rd</sup> July – Accepted and signed as a correct record.
- **Financial Statement** – DJS updated on the financial statement. The Audit has been completed without any issues and conclusion of Audit posted in the notice board. Current Account is in credit of £5440 with savings of £3536 in savings account
- **War Memorial** – BB updated on the progress, the sub group consisting of Kevin Doonan (Architect), Michael Orde (Castle Estates), Andrew Bardgett and Barbara Brook have now been to see all of the three stone masons who have quoted to replace the War Memorial. They will meet up on Thursday to discuss the individual merits of each one and score them against the War Memorial Trusts criteria to come to a conclusion of who we would choose. The findings will then be presented to the War Memorial Trust at their quarterly grants panel at the end of September to see if they will fund 75% of the costs.
- **Tour of Britain Cycling Race** – BB reported that this has been a success, one minor incident was recorded when a lorry had reversed into the side of the verge ripping it up and depositing a large amount of soil on the road. DJS to contact Northumberland County Council to see if they can help to sort it out.

**New Parking Plan** – BB reported on the recent meeting held with Daniel Fraser and Richard McKenzie from Northumberland County Council (NCC), along with William Armstrong from Castle Estates, Iain Robson from AONB, Andrew Bardgett, Dave Miller and Guy Renner Thompson. The draft drawings were discussed and minor changes agreed. NCC will now proceed with the detailed drawings. Noel Page had put forward a couple of suggestions, one being to remove the path on the right hand side of Lucker Road to create more space in the road, however it was pointed out that the cars would still park away from the wall to be able to get out so there would probably be no benefit of doing this. BB also reported that it was very dangerous for cars coming onto Front Street from Castle Wynd could there be rumble strips or something along these lines put onto this lane to slow cars down, this was agreed and also suggested that all three lanes leading onto Front Street could all benefit from this. We will await the detailed plans.

**The Grove – Chain Link Fence** – DJS reported that the chain link fence around the Grove is in need of repair/replacement, Castle Estates suggested replacing it with a new one at a cost of approx. £8000, they would fund ½ of this cost but asked if the Parish Council would fund the other 1/2. Unfortunately because we do not own the land or the fence we are unable to access any funding, however Castle Estates may be able to access some financial help from AONB. DJS to write to Michael Orde.

- **ST Oswalds Way Panel** – DJS reported on an email from Martin Parminter regarding replacing the Information Panel within the NCC car park, the cost would be approx. £1000, would the Parish Council be able to fund this with a little help from the St Oswalds Way group. Cllr Guy Renner-Thompson to speak to NCC regarding funding

the replacement board. Geoff Martindale from Beadnell reported that Beadnell had recently replaced an information board so we could contact Beadnell Parish Council to find out who was used – DJS.

- **Joint meeting with Town/Parish Councils October 2017** – BB reported that our meeting for North Northumberland will be held on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October. Cllr Guy Renner-Thompson stressed the importance of attending these meetings.
- **Local Transport Plan 2018/19** – We need three priorities to take forward for inclusion in the plan.
  - The three footpaths from Bamburgh to Budle, Bamburgh to Glororum and Bamburgh to Seahouses should be created and defined perhaps with paving or tarmac.
  - Complete the Bamburgh Master Plan
  - Provide facilities for motorhomes within the main car park

**Matters Arising:-**

- BB reported on a complaint from a resident in Lindisfarne Avenue regarding the parking problems, Cllr Guy Renner-Thompson will send contact details of the Housing Association to BB so she can write and explain the problems.
  - The Cones on Radcliffe Road – Cllr Guy Renner-Thompson to write to ask to have the cones returned.
  - Geoff Martindale asked if Cllr Guy Renner-Thompson would be able to fund the footpath between Bamburgh and Seahouses with his budget allowance, Cllr Guy Renner-Thompson replied that his allowance would not go anywhere near for the costs to do this, he would have to save his allowance over a couple of years.
  - Geoff Martindale – asked how the Parish Council felt about the rumble strips – BB reported that the Parish Council feel that the rumble strips have worked in reducing speed within the Village. We did try to look at various other methods of traffic calming however due to the fact that large farming vehicles require access through the village some of the traffic calming measures could not be implemented. Also if the A1 is shut the traffic is diverted through Bamburgh and this also needed to be included in the equation. So whilst they may not be proving popular with some, they are a deterrent for speeding cars and that has always been the main priority.
- **Date of Next Meeting – Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2017 at 7.00pm.**

Action	Initials
Community Orchard within the Village – Judy Cowen to progress	JC
War Memorial – BB to meet with Kevin Doonan and Michael Orde to discuss the various merits of the masons to come to a decision.	DJS
Village Warden to check the planter outside the telephone box to see if it can be repaired	RC