

Minutes Parish meeting held on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2024 at Pavilion.

**Present** –Andrew Bardgett (AB) John Mackey (JM) Barbara Brook (BB) Kate Morton (KM) Joan Mitchell (JMC)  
Guy Renner-Thompson (GRT)

1. **Apologies** – Kirsty Dobson (KD) Sue Aldred (SA)
2. **Declaration of interest** – none
3. **Minutes of 16<sup>th</sup> May 2024** – Accepted and signed as correct record AB and BB.
4. **Matters Arising:**
  - **Highways Update/Traffic Calming/Speeding/Wynding/Ingram Road** – AB – No further updates from NCC, GRT will make immediate contact with Richard McKenzie regarding village plans and missing Wynding DYL.
  - **Wheelchair Access to Beach (Beach Access to NE) – KD/BB** – Email report from KD read out at meeting:

“With the weather improving it's been non-stop with the wheelchairs being out on loan 2-3 times per week. Massive thanks to all the volunteers especially Linda Kirby, Sheila Summers, Mary Dixon, Judy Cowen, Ali Brett and Ed. I'm going to recruit Ellie and Conor to help over the summer and they are going to use it for the volunteer section of their Duke of Edinburgh award. We are very grateful to BANE who have donated the most amazing wheelchair we have yet, the X8. This is the superhero of all off road wheelchairs and all the families who have used it have loved it. It's very comfortable, can get over all terrains, is more upright than the sporty Trekkinetic and is suitable to the majority of wheelchair users. Thank you, BANE! The chairperson of BANE is coming to meet us next Monday to talk to me about Bamburgh and the booking system that BPC is funding. “. BB added that thanks must go to William Watson-Armstrong for his help with improving the wheelchair path to the beach.
  - **Playpark Update** – JM – No play park updates to report, request made for clerk to forward previous inspection report on a weekly basis.
  - **Northern Powergrid Grant** – JM – new smart meter has still not been installed, issue with supplier, two complaints have now been lodged with British Gas.
  - **Beach Toilet Request** – KM/AB – Further response received from Paul Jones, GRT will follow up and AB to make enquiries with Northumbrian Water and Iain Robson.
5. **Public Questions** – None
6. **Glororum to Bamburgh path** – AB – positive comments expressed on the recent cut back of hedges along the route, JMC to contact Castle Estates for assistance in further cutting where necessary.
7. **Financial Statement** – JMC update on the financial statement, bank statement @ 18/07/24 = Current A/C – £360.36, Saver A/C – £54,164.20 (includes grant £17,619.00)

8. **Neighbourhood Plan Review – AB** – AB attended the recent meeting and has sent details of recent planning rulings where Bamburgh has been described as unsustainable and where Highways seem to be unaware of problems. It was proposed that each PC have 3 reps, although AB thought a lot of the possible concerns were more relevant to Beadnell & North Sunderland.
9. **War Memorial – AB** – ongoing upkeep of war memorial discussed, BB to make contact with a gardener for future works.

- **Other Business –**

- Village bottle filler now in use, JMC to contact NCC local services regarding cleaning schedule.
- JM confirmed he will look at new letter to holiday let owners requesting precept donation.
- New rubbish bin provided by BPC for the green not in correct position, JMC to contact local services.
- New lighting for The Pant, AB agreed to follow up.
- Request made for weeding at Castle Garth to be added to NCC rota, JMC to contact local services.
- Overgrown hedge on The Wynding, JMC to contact property owner.
- GRT advised difficulty in obtaining bus provider, resulting in a 2 hourly schedule through Bamburgh, new agreement reached for summer 2025 when 1 hourly timetable to resume. Request made to GRT to ensure bus timetables are displayed in the village.
- GRT confirmed that work on Seahouses MUGA has now started, BPC supported with a recent donation.
- New councillor code of conduct pledges agreed, confirmation will be sent to NCC
- Email from Constable Neighbourhood Policing (Rural) received –

“Incidents and crimes – There are no crimes of note, that we are able, to report on during the last 28 days. The number of crimes and incidents that have been recorded is extremely low.

Community Issues – ASB – There have been no reported incidents of any youth ASB.

No disorder has been reported from any of the local pubs.

Community Engagement – High visibility patrols are made in the area”

**Date of next meeting – Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2024**