

BEADNELL PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday 8 July 2015 - Beadnell W.I. Hall

Present: Councillors C Williamson (Vice-Chair) (CW), D Baker (DB), J Hall (JH) and L Gray (Clerk) (LG)

In Attendance: for item 67/15 PC Alan Morton (AM)

Members of the Public: 4

Reference	Action	Action By
62/15	Apologies for absence – Councillor Geoff Martindale (Chair), Ben Patterson, County Councillor John Woodman	
63/15	Minutes of the previous meeting were agreed and signed	CW
64/15	Declaration of Interest: None	
65/15	<p>Matters Arising from 14 January 2015:</p> <p>a) Planning Review (minute ref 47/15(a) – The Parish Council are experiencing issues with the 'call-in' period being 21 days from the validation date, as notification of the planning application is not being received until around 2 weeks after it has been validated. A letter dated 6 June 2015 informing that a recent application was to be considered under delegated powers was received by the Clerk on 20 June 2015 at the same time as the letter, dated 19 June, stating that the application had been approved. Both envelopes were franked on 19 June 2015. This delay informing the Parish Council of the decision that the application was to be determined under delegated powers deprived the Parish Council from making any representation to the Council for the application to be taken to committee. The PC have written to the NCC to ask if the Head of Service and the Chairs see in full the Parish Council response to applications or just the points selected by the Planning Officer.</p> <p>b) Ditchburn Windfarm (minute ref 101/14; 47/15(b)) – A second round of exhibitions were held in June with the Planning Application date proposed for July. The Parish Council continues to send representatives to the meeting, the next being scheduled for 21 July 2015.</p> <p>c) WI Seat request (minute ref53/15(b) – after some consideration the WI have advised the Parish Council that they are not in the position to purchase a new seat at the present time</p> <p>d) Replacement benches have now been installed on the Bullring from NECE Teachers Association dedicated to Dorothy Hutchinson and on Harbour Road in memory of the late Glyn Wilde.</p> <p>e) Beadnell Village Planters (minute ref60/15(c)) – Prior to the placement of the planters at the entrances to the village advice was sought from NCC regarding positioning and distance requirement from the roadside. A member of the constabulary has confirmed that the planters do not obstruct the view of road signs or oncoming traffic.</p> <p>f)Alnwick Partnership (minute ref 49/15(b) – Almost half of all responses to the consultation were received from the Seahouses area with a petition of 1216 signatures submitted. Many objected to the proposed changes from the 3 tiered systems as the new High School would remain a split site. A feasibility study has now been carried out and a change to the original proposal could be achieved at a cost of around £6M which would then accommodate all pupils from year 7 through sixth form. It is proposed that Seahouses Primary School would be relocated to the Seahouses Middle School site. Residents from Seahouses and the surrounding villages raised their concerns regarding the difficulty of bringing young families to live in the area if there were not adequate school facilities provided in the immediate area.</p> <p>g) Playground Bin (minute ref50/15) – The bin from across the far end of the playground has now been moved to the entrance alongside the current bin to help alleviate the overflow of litter.</p> <p>h) Litter Bin on Harbour Road (minute ref 60/15(e) – two possible sites for a new litter bin have been identified. This would be on private land so the Parish Council will converse with the owners regarding the possible placement.</p>	<p>CW</p> <p>DB/LG</p> <p>JH</p> <p>JH</p>
66/15	<p>Parish Councillor Vacancy:</p> <p>It is with upmost regret that the Parish Council announces the resignation of Councillor Colin Brunt, whose valuable contribution and sound advice will be missed by all. A notice will be displayed for 14 working days advertising this vacancy, after which the Parish Council may proceed with co-option. The Parish Council are very active in the village and want to get back to a full complement of councillors as soon as possible. For further information please contact the Parish Clerk.</p>	LG

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67/15	<p>Police Report: PC Alan Morton reported that the Police Station in Seahouses has now relocated to the Fire Station on Main Street. He also reported that:</p> <p>a) A lady and her dog were both bitten whilst walking on the beach. The person involved has been cautioned and advised to keep their dog muzzled and under control when walking the dog in public.</p> <p>b) Two bikes were taken from the caravan park in Beadnell and used to cycle home by residents in Seahouses. The bikes were recovered and the culprits reprimanded.</p> <p>c) The issue of parking on pavements and obstructing pedestrian access was raised by the Parish Council. The Police will provide the PC with 'polite notices' advising drivers that this is not permitted and that repeat offending could result in prosecution.</p>	AM
68/15	<p>Report By Councillor John Woodman – Apologies were received from County Councillor for his absence.</p>	
69/15	<p>North Northumberland Coastal Area Neighbourhood Plan : The Steering Group has set up 4 subcommittees - Housing, Business and Enterprise, Landscape and Environment and Development and Scale to look at potential policies. These would be discussed by all members of the Sub-committee with the final draft coming to the Parish Councils and community.</p>	GM/CW/JH
70/15	<p>Interactive Speed Sign in Beadnell: The Parish Council is concerned about speeding in the Parish, in particular Harbour Road and Swinhoe and has been working closely with Police and NCC to try to address this problem. There are 30mph speed restrictions in both these areas, camera signs at Swinhoe and local volunteers are involved in the County Speed Watch Scheme. Correspondence has recently been received by a local resident voicing his concerns with this problem and raising the possibility of interactive traffic signs in Swinhoe. Comments have also been received from another resident that they feel that these signs spoil the landscape and after a period of time become ineffective. A small working group is to be set up to ascertain the overall view of residents before considering possible options.</p>	GM
71/15	<p>Review of Planning Meeting Procedures: Amendments made to the wording of the procedures were adopted by the Parish Council.</p>	LG
72/15	<p>Dumping of garden waste in the AONB: There have been reports of dumping of garden waste in the AONB, particularly around the Wamses, Dunes Court, Harbour Road and Benthall. This is against AONB policy CE19 as it encourages invasion of non-native species and is a significant threat to important habitats and species in the AONB. The Parish will contact officers of the AONB and request letters be delivered to all residents in these locations regarding the issues.</p>	CW
73/15	<p>Finance: Financial report as at 30 June 2015 was accepted</p> <p>a) BDO Audit Report for the year ending 31 March 2015 was received, with no issues arising and was approved and accepted by the Parish Council.</p> <p>b) Receipts: £734.36 Beadnell Community Volunteers (BCV) £25.38 (Neighbourhood Plan postage – Community Forum money) £35.00 Alistair Turner – re headstone for Gerald Bates</p> <p>c) Payments made since last meeting: £210.00 Stableyard Landscapes £203.83 NALC Annual Subscription £100.00 Petty Cash £274.91 Aon Insurance £36.67 Postage (part re-pay Community Forum) £13.51 Jewson – for village planters £33.88 Newy & Eyre – for village planters £95.98 Arioso Trading (Creamer Dispenser) & Barmans Insulated Beverage Servers</p> <p>d) Cheques Signed: £40.00 WI Hall £421.50 Clerks Salary £69.84 Clerks Expenses</p>	LG
74/15	<p>Planning Application: Proposal: Construction of first floor bedroom extension over existing garage Location : Sanderling 24 Harbour Road Beadnell NE67 5BB Applicant: Mr & Mrs G Brown Application No.: 15/02113/FUL</p>	LG

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	The Parish Council had no objections to this application.	
75/15	<p>Planning:</p> <p>a) 15/00140/FUL – The Snug 5 East Farm Steading Swinhoe– Installation of uPVC windows to replace the existing soft wood frames and erection of a small conservatory to the kitchen – permission refused by NCC</p> <p>b) 15/01141/FUL – 16 Swinhoe Road Beadnell Northumberland – Demolition of existing detached garage and construction of new replacement garage – permission granted by NCC</p> <p>c) 15/01484/FUL – 22 Harbour Road Beadnell Northumberland – Resubmission: Extension and alterations to create first floor to dwelling, single storey extension to rear, two storey side extension & balcony to 1st floor – permission granted by NCC</p> <p>d) 15/00791/FUL – Land to rear of 138 Harbour Road Beadnell – Proposed construction of a single detached bungalow dwelling – permission granted by NCC</p> <p>e) 15/00781/VARYCO – Plot 17B Tamarin Close Beadnell – Variation of condition 5 relating to planning permission 11/00491/FUL (erection of 1no. 5 bedroom detached house, 2 no. 5 bedroom semi-detached houses and a detached garage) – application withdrawn at applicants request</p> <p>f) 14/00569/FUL - 45 Harbour Road – retrospective dormer window roof extension to east elevation – permission was refused in 2014. No appeal was made by the applicant within the 6 months guide lines. An enforcement notice was served on 5 May 2015. An appeal has now been lodged against this enforcement notice and the information should be available on the NCC website.</p>	
76/15	<p>Cemetery:</p> <p>a) Headstone request for the late Michael George Patterson – agreed</p> <p>b) Headstone request for the late Tom Clements – agreed</p> <p>c) Three extra grass cuttings to be carried out in the cemetery between July and August at a cost of £40.00 per cut were approved.</p>	LG
38/15	<p>Correspondence: (put in Councillors pack for circulation)</p> <p>Clerks & Councils Direct</p> <p>Letter of thanks from Northumbria Cab for our charity donation</p> <p>Letter of thanks from Great North Air Ambulance for our charity donation</p> <p>Letter of thanks from Northumberland Theatre Company for our charity donation</p> <p>Letter of thanks from St Oswald's for our charity donation</p> <p>LCR Magazine</p> <p>St Oswald's – Snapshot Summer 2015</p> <p>HAGS Playground Equipment flyer</p> <p>Glasdon Brochure</p> <p>Campaign to Protect Rural England North East Newsletter – Summer 2015</p>	
39/15	Date & Time of Next Meeting – Wednesday 9 September 2015 6.30 pm WI Hall Beadnell	
40/15	<p>Any Other Business:</p> <p>a) The Parish Council were against the Alnwick Partnership proposal for a 2 tiered school system as this would have a detrimental effect on the village and surrounding areas. It would deter families with young children from moving into the village which would have a knock on effect to the infrastructure and economy of the village and surrounding areas. The Parish will send further correspondence to the Committee.</p> <p>b) Concerns were raised by the Parish Council regarding the support from Anne-Marie Trevelyan MP, for the Right to Buy in Rural Areas Campaign. This proposal would have a major impact on the already low supply of affordable housing in these areas. The new Right to Buy measure, which extends the scheme to housing association properties, is likely to have highly damaging consequences for rural communities faced with disproportionately high house prices and ageing populations - unless rural exemptions can be secured. There will also be a huge impact from losing social and affordable housing. Correspondence to be sent to Ms Trevelyan addressing this issue and the impacts it will have on rural areas</p>	JH JH
	<p>Public Question Time:</p> <p>None</p>	

MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL AT THE NEXT MEETING

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