

BEADNELL PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday 8 March 2017 – Beadnell WI Hall

Present: Councillors G Martindale (Chair) (GM), D Baker (DB), J Hall (JH), A Nation (AN) and L Gray (Clerk) (LG)

Members of the Public: 3

Reference	Action	Action By
19/17	Apologies for absence – Richard Batten (RB) Trish McCarthy (TM) Police Constable Alan Morton	
20/17	Introduction of Mr David Paul the Labour Candidate for Northumberland County Elections in May 2017	
21/17	Minutes of the previous meeting were agreed and signed	GM
22/17	Declaration of Interest: None	
23/17	Matters Arising: None	
24/17	Police Report: No report received	
25/17	Report by County Councillor John Woodman: No report received	
26/17	Forthcoming Elections: All candidates interested in standing as a Parish Councillor in the May 2017 election please, use the following link for briefing notes http://northumberland.gov.uk/NorthumberlandCountyCouncil/media/Councillors-and-Democracy/Electoral%20Services/NominationProcess-InformationforTPCClerks-1.pdf .	LG
27/17	Beadnell Concerns Meeting with County Hall Officers: An email was sent to NCC Planning Authority requesting an update on matters discussed at the meeting between NCC and Beadnell Parish Council on 10 February – awaiting reply.	
28/17	North Northumberland Coastal Area Neighbourhood Plan: The Strategic Environmental Assessment and Conservation reports are still in progress. Until these reports have been completed no date can be set for the Public Consultation.	
29/17	Transparency Policy: This was accepted by the Parish Council. Information regarding all set items in the Policy will be displayed on the website and in the Noticeboards. The Policy will be reviewed again in May 2017 to ensure that all official items are ready for publication.	LG
30/17	Risk Assessment Review: Changes to the wording of the document were agreed.	LG
31/17	Seating Policy Review: a) The Seating Policy was agreed with no changes. b) Correspondence has been received by the Clerk requesting a second plaque on a memorial bench. It was suggested that a replacement plaque incorporating the names of both family members be commissioned rather than setting a precedent of multiple plaques on benches.	LG
32/17	Disclosure of Interests re Planning Applications: It was agreed that Policy requirement for Parish Councillors Declaring of Interest at Planning Meetings be investigated and an addition to the Code of Conduct be written and circulated for approval by the next PC meeting in May.	AN
33/17	Asset Register: The condition of the assets around the village was checked by the PC and Clerk and the Asset Register updated and accepted by the PC. A copy of the Asset Register can be found on the Parish Council Website.	LG
34/17	Bin: Correspondence was received regarding rubbish piling up outside the Salt Water Café. GM & LG visited the café and found it to be clean and tidy with an organised outside seating area which was in the process of being swept. The manager confirmed that the area is always kept clean for the consideration of health and safety and their customers.	
35/17	Lighting Project: The lighting project is part of the Dark Skies directive. Correspondence has been received from the NCC Street Lighting Asset Management Team advising that the modernisation project is run in two parts. Firstly the 'Retro' where new LED lanterns are being installed, which is currently ahead of schedule and secondly the 'Construction' where old columns will be replaced completely. Work on 'Construction' is not expected to begin until the end of Spring 2017 when all work on 'Retro' has been completed in Beadnell and all surrounding villages. They will endeavour to set up a consultation meeting with local residents to discuss additional lighting issues and concerns prior to the start of the Construction phase.	

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36/17	<p>Footpath/Cycle path from Beadnell to Seahouses (minute ref 7/16; 23/16(d); 41/16(a); 68/16(c)): Correspondence was received from a resident complaining of the continued state of disrepair of the footpath/cycle path from Beadnell to Seahouses. The PC added this to the Local Transport Plan 2016/17 and have contacted NCC on several occasions who have advised that the repairs come down to available funds and priority. Response to be sent to resident.</p>	GM
37/17	<p>Footpaths and Public Rights of Way: The co-ordination of walking the Footpaths and Rights of Way was agreed, with reports to be completed and brought to the September PC meeting before being sent to NCC.</p>	LG/AN
38/17	<p>Cemetery: a) The Cemetery Policy was reviewed and it was agreed that all current regulations must be adhered to and enforced for health and safety reasons. Following a recent issue concerning item 9 – permitted items on graves, it was agreed that a letter be sent to the family concerned to request that all items other than flowers be removed from the grave. b) A request was received from Annstead Farm that leaves cleared from outside the cemetery be disposed of in the correct manner and not dumped over the wall on to farm land. PC to investigate and advise that leaves must be placed in the cemetery bin for disposal or taken to the refuse centre.</p>	GM/DB JH
39/17	<p>Playground: a) The Playground sub-committee obtained three quotes for the repairs on the playground and have assigned the work to J Smith & Sons. Work is expected to commence around 17th/20th of March and will be completed before the Easter break. b) A meeting is to be set up with the Playground sub-committee and the Beadnell Community Volunteers to discuss installation of the new swing and other required funding. c) A letter of thanks has been received from a resident of Kennedy Green to say that the moving of the goal posts into the middle of the playground made a considerable difference during the half term holiday, with the footballs no longer constantly coming over their fence into the garden.</p>	JH
40/17	<p>Donations: The sum of £120 was agreed to be divided equally between the following charities: Woodland Trust Great North Air Ambulance Northumberland Hospice Care Northumberland Theatre Company</p>	LG
41/17	<p>Planning: a) Proposal Conversion of an integral garage to a bedroom Location 23 Longbeach Drive Beadnell NE67 5EG Applicant Dr Lincoln Jowett Application No. 17/00179/FUL Case Officer North Planning Officer</p> <p>There were no objections to this planning application.</p> <p>b) 16/04368/FUL – Land NW of 7 Longstone Close Beadnell – proposed construction of new single storey dwelling. Application withdrawn at applicant's request. c) 16/04602/FUL – 16 Harbour Road Beadnell – kitchen extension at first floor over existing ground floor bathroom and new pitched roof over existing conservatory – permission granted by NCC d) 16/01688/OUT – Outline application for the development of 45 no. residential dwellings, including all ancillary works; approval sought for access, landscaping, layout and scale; appearance is a reserved matter (as amended by plans received 13/10/16 – layout of access road) – permission granted by NCC.</p>	
42/17	<p>Finance Financial report as at 28 February 2017 was accepted</p> <p>Cheques to be signed: £66.00 WI Hall £557.94 Clerks Salary £57.87 Clerks Expenses</p> <p>Paid since last meeting: £132.00 David Mulvey – Christmas Lights testing £52.00 Printer Cartridges £200.00 Fred Kavanagh – moving of goal posts in the playground £271.00 Command Print Ltd – Beadnell in Bloom signs</p> <p>Receipts: £45.00 Return of Beadnell in Bloom entry payment for 2017 Northumbria in Bloom £110.00 from Beadnell Community Volunteers re Christmas Lights testing £1491.01 VAT Refund £226.00 from Beadnell Community Volunteers re Beadnell in Bloom signs</p>	
43/17	<p>Correspondence: (put in Councillors pack for circulation) CPRE North East Newsletter Spring 2017 Hospice Happenings Magazine Issue 4 Clerks & Councils Direct January & March Issues</p>	
44/17	<p>Date & Time of Next Meeting – Wednesday 10 May 2017 6.30pm</p>	

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45/17	<p>Any Other Business:</p> <p>a) A member of the PC requested an update regarding the issue raised in January's PC meeting (minute ref 13/17 (a)) <i>In the original Northumberland Estate masterplan, it was suggested that there would be the donation of an area of land as a community benefit to the village. This no longer shows on the amended plans. The PC will bring this issue together with the many other issues to the attention of JW with the intention of pursuing it with the lead officers of the County Council. Letter to be drafted and circulated to PC before being sent to Northumberland Estates.</i></p>	GM/AN
46/17	<p>Public Question Time:</p> <p>a) A member of the public has suggested that a 'kissing gate' is required at the entrance of footpath no. 4 as the entrance has been fenced off as the boarder to the ISOS development. This is the responsibility of NCC and the PC will address this in their report once all Footpaths and Public Rights of Way have been walked.</p> <p>b) Residents have also advised that on footpath no. 5 the double gate leading from Kennedy Green into the field and on to the Beadnell Links Caravan Park does not work properly allowing the farm animals to escape into Kennedy Green estate. The gate is spring loaded and difficult to use which is why it is left open. One of the residents has advised that he will be writing to ISOS re this matter and antisocial behaviour of tourists crossing this field late in the evening.</p> <p>c) A request was made that all Agenda attachments be posted on the PC website.</p> <p>d) An update on the undergrounding of overhead cable scheme was requested. The PC will contact the AONB for further details.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">LG/AN</p> <p style="text-align: center;">AN</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LG</p> <p style="text-align: center;">GM</p>

MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL AT THE NEXT MEETING