

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Thursday 14th May 2015
in the Chatton Village Hall Chatton Commencing at 19.00**

Present: Parish Councillors Mrs M. Govett, M Strother J Jeffreys, J Railton Mrs S Dodds,
Mr. P Dodds Mrs. D Pardoe R Tebay & D Ord, T Mills Mrs A Wrangham
Clerk I Hunter
PC Mark Lynn
John Cooper & Kevin Strachan- Northumberland County Council- Broadband
1 Member of the public

Public Question time: - No questions

Parish Councillor Mrs. M Govett gave a vote of thanks to the Vice-Chairman M Strother, County Councillor A Murray & the Parish Clerk for their support to her as Chairman in 2014/15, and went on to say she was standing down as Chairman.

Min 939- Election of Chairman 2015/16 – Parish Councillor D Ord proposed & Parish Councillor J Jeffreys seconded Parish Councillor J Railton as Chairman for the forth coming year.

Min 940- Election of Vice-Chairman 2015/16 – Parish Councillor Mrs M Govett proposed & Parish Councillor Mrs. D Pardoe seconded Parish Councillor M Strother as Vice-Chairman for the forth coming year.

Apologies for Absence: Parish Councillors M Hunter & Mrs S Davidson
County Councillor A Murray

Declaration of Interest: Parish Clerk declared a Personal & Prejudicial Interest in the annual review of Clerk's salary.

Min 941(Min 929) - Broadband- The Chairman welcomed John Cooper & Kevin Strachan to the meeting. John Cooper informed the meeting that Central Government is committed that 90% of the population will receive superfast broadband by the end of 2015 and that the Chatton's fibre broadband is now live which will allow residents to access broadband up to 80mgb. John went on to say that Northumberland County Council is currently going through the procurement process for the next phase which will give 93% coverage by 2017, which will still leave a large number of properties who will still be unable to access fibre broadband by 2017. Kevin Strachan informed the meeting that when the exchange is upgraded to fibre residents have to apply for an upgrade it is not automatic, he went on to say the criteria for the chosen areas is value for money and easy to reach areas. Kevin advised the meeting that people can go on to the inorthumberland website and compare broadband package costs, he went on to explain there is a map on the website which they are working to but it will be upgraded when the current procurement is complete in the next few weeks. It was agreed to supply the Parish Council with an updated map. The meeting was advised that satellite broadband could be an option for the rural areas, and that Avonline has no installation costs: however there are advantages & disadvantages for this type of broadband, Kevin concluded by saying that a demonstration van could be requested to come into the area to allow residents to test out the possible available options. John advised the meeting another option would be wireless broadband but

there needs to be flat terrain to transmit the signal. John tabled leaflets which explained where businesses can access vouchers to contribute to connections costs, he suggested that the Parish Council could gauge the local interest, going on to say there is £30k in the fund and all applications will be decided locally, but it is time limited.

PC Mark Lynn joined the meeting

John Cooper & Kevin Strachan left the meeting at this point

Updates from the Community Police Officer- PC Mark Lynn informed the meeting that there was cash stolen from the Church and one report of assault unconfirmed.

PC Mark Lynn left the meeting at this point

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 26th March 2015 previously circulated were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising-

Min 942- The Feedback from Mill Hill Site Meeting held on 29th January 2015. Parish Councillors agreed to accept the notes as a true record with the amendment of 40 years for the School Field under the S106. It was agreed the Clerk forward the amended minutes/notes to Colin Barnes at Northumberland Estates and that the Chairman revise his letter to Northumberland Estates and circulate it for members' agreement.

Min 943 (Min 928) - Speed Warning Sign-The Vice-Chairman confirmed that the sign has arrived but he was still awaiting delivery of the pole. The Vice Chairman asked for the Parish Council's agreement to move the pole to the opposite side of the road if the agreed location was not suitable due a new sign being erected in the area. This was agreed. The Vice Chairman agreed to contact Northumberland County Council about the pole.

Min 944 (Min 927)- Barmoor Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund- Parish Councillor Mrs. M Govett updated the meeting that the first £30k has been allocated today and the majority of the applications are around the £5k level. The Chairman suggested the Tillside area should consider submitting applications. Parish Councillor Mrs. M Govett informed the meeting that applications are not carried forward if you are unsuccessful you need submit a new application.

Min 945- The Neighbourhood Plan- The meeting considered the notes prepared by Parish Councillor Mrs. A Wrangham, it was agreed the Tillside residents need to be canvassed and then a discussion about a proposed boundary

Min 946 (Min 931) - Allotments-The meeting agreed that Parish Councillor R Tebay would draft a response for the Clerk to send to Northumberland Estates.

Min 947- Annual Audit- The Clerk presented members with a balance sheet, the Annual Governance Statement was completed. The Chairman signed the Annual Audit Return which completed the Annual Audit for year ending 31st March 2015.

Min 948- Standing Orders- The meeting considered and agreed to adopt the NALC Model Standing Orders. The meeting agreed to add The Chairman and Parish Councillor R Tebay to the list of Bank signatories.

Min 949- Complaints Procedure- The meeting considered and agreed to adopt the NALC Model Complaints Procedure.

Min 950- Annual Review of Clerk's Salary- The members agreed the Clerk could remain in the meeting. Parish Councillors considered the latest SLCC Pay Scales: as the Clerk worked 125 hours in 2014/15 which equates to £11.52 it was agreed to defer any decisions for 6 months.

Min 951- Financial Statement

• Bank Balance	£ 13378.83	
Including	£ 339.82	Future Projects Fund
	£ 404.00	Speed Warning Signs
	£ 12635.01	Parish Council Balance

Min 952– Accounts for Payment-

• Mrs E I Hunter	£ 192.00	Clerk's Salary
• HMRC	£ 48.00	PAYE
• Mrs. E I Hunter	£ 20.00	Petty Cash
• Chatton Village Hall	£ 150.00	Annual hire of room
• Zurich Municipal	£ 400.18	Annual Insurance Premium
• NALC	£ 130.41	Subscription

Min 953- Planning Applications *No Observations*

15/00734/FUL- Conversion of outbuilding to provide annexed bedroom accommodation along with provision of a car port and front entrance porch to main house. Raising of rear mono pitched roof to match level of adjacent property. Smithy Cottage New Road Chatton NE68 5 PS

14/02983/LBC- Listed Building Consent for replacement timber gate and re-painting of front door- 2 Bank Top Chillingham Alnwick NE66 5NG

15/00762/FUL- Construction of 3no. Agricultural buildings – West Horton Farm Wooler Northumberland NE71 6EZ

15/00376/FUL- General Farm Building- Land South of Shielhope Chatton Northumberland

- 15/01107/FUL- Change of use of land from agricultural to residential, installation of new gravel driveway, posts and walls to accommodate parking for 2 Chatton Farm Cottages, installation of new small sewage plant, underground LPG gas tank and new borehole for water supply- 1,2 & 3 West Lyham Farm Cottages Chatton Alnwick NE66 5QA
- 15/01250/FUL- Proposed rear single storey extension: Installation of flue pipe: re-position of oil tank -2 Heathery Hall Wooler Northumberland NE71 6EU
- 15/01293/FUL- Demolition of the former Chatton Scout Hut shed, and construction of one 3 bedroom residential dwelling, including accompanying parking, landscaping and garden space- Land North of Chatton Scout Hut West End Chatton *Parish Councillors agreed not to object to this application on the condition the following are agreed:*
- 1- *There is no amendment to the proposed materials*
 - 2- *The windows should be sliding sashes*
 - 3- *The current road needs to be upgraded*
 - 4- *The correct drainage needs to be installed due the close proximity of a stream*

Min 954- Planning Applications *Object*

- 15/00888/FUL- (i) Proposal is to convert stables- part of the outbuildings to provide two additional bedrooms and a bathroom (ii) renew existing windows and doors to match (i) above (iii) Form two additional door openings to south elevation- the first floor opening to provide access to balcony – Garden Cottage Weetwood Hall Wooler NE71 6EX *The Parish Councillors agreed to support Mr Cochrane's letter of objection*
- 15/01004/LBC- Listed Building Consent: (i) Proposal is to convert stables- part of the outbuildings to provide two additional bedrooms and a bathroom (ii) renew existing windows and doors to match (i) above (iii) Form two additional door openings to south elevation- the first floor opening to provide access to balcony – Garden Cottage Weetwood Hall Wooler NE71 6EX *The Parish Councillors agreed to support Mr Cochrane's letter of objection*

Min 955- Planning Approvals

- 14/03344/FUL- Construction of prefabricated timber stable and feed store- Hetton Hall Chatton Alnwick NE66 5SD
- 14/03082/FUL- Conversion and change of use of traditional agricultural buildings in to 4 no residential dwellings and 3 no live/work units (renewal of lapsed permission 11/00637/FUL) West Lyham Farmhouse Chatton Alnwick Northumberland NE66 5QA
- 14/02983/LBC- Listed Building Consent for replacement timber gate and re-painting of front door- 2 Bank Top Chillingham Alnwick NE66 5NG

Min 956- Planning Withdrawals

15/00626/FUL- Proposal for installation of small sewage plant, underground LPG gas tank and erection of two gate posts- 3 West Lyham Farm Cottages Chatton Alnwick Northumberland NE66 5QA

Min 957- Correspondence:

- **CPRE-** Newsletter
- **CAN-** Newsletter
- **N Estates-** Statement- Allotments
- **NCC-** Street Trading
- **NCC-** Surface dressing
- **Clerks & Councils Direct-** Newsletter
- **The Pension Regulator-** Information
- **NCC-** Lowick Neighbourhood Area Application
- **Active Northumberland-** Poster Music festival Blyth

Any Other Business.

Min 958- Planning- Parish Councillors agreed that future Planning Applications will be delivered to the Chairman and will remain at the Chairman's, the Clerk will e-mail all Parish Councillors details of the Applications, members will read the information on line or organise sight of the hard copies with the Chairman and all members will reply to all on the e-mail system with their comments as soon as possible to allow comments to be submitted on time.

Min 960- Chatton News- Parish Councillors agreed that the Chairman & Parish Councillor R Tebay prepare information on broadband & an update on the speed sign which will be forwarded to the Chatton News.

Min 961- Footpaths- The meeting agreed to add Footpaths in the Parish on to the June Agenda. The Chairman to invite Mr. Mountney to the meeting.

Meeting closed at 10.00 p.m.

Date of next Meeting: Thursday 11th June at 7pm

Agenda Items for June meeting must be received by 2nd June