

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 9th June 2016
in the Chatton Village Hall Chatton Commencing at 19.00**

Present: Vice-Chairman M Strother (in the Chair)

Parish Councillors: D Ord, (joined the meeting at Min No 1130) R Tebay,

A Wrangham M Govett M Hunter

County Councillor A Murray

Clerk I Hunter

1 member of public

Public Question time: - None

Apologies for Absence: Chairman J Railton Parish Councillors: J Jeffreys P Dodds, S Dodds
H Coxon & T Faa-Thompson
PC Mark Lynn.

Declaration of Interest: The Clerk declared a Personal & Prejudicial Interest in the Review of the Clerk's Salary.

Request for Dispensation: None

Updates from the Community Police Officer-None. Parish Councillor informed the meeting that 11 tyres have been retrieved from the river at Chillingham Bridge, suggesting this should be reported to the Police to see if there is a pattern of incidents. The Clerk agreed to report this to the Police. The members raised concerns about fly tipping within the Parish. The Clerk suggested all incidents could be logged on to the Northumberland County Council website with as much detail as possible.

Minutes- The Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 12th May 2016 previously circulated were agreed and signed by the Vice-Chairman.

Min 1143 (Min 1129)- Parish Council Vacancy- The Clerk informed the meeting that to date nobody has been in contact in regard to the vacancy for either Chillingham Ward or Lilburn Ward. The meeting agreed to include this on the July Agenda and members to promote the vacancies.

Min 1144 (Min 1130) - The Neighbourhood Plan- Parish Councillor R Tebay updated the meeting:

- The Steering Group members have submitted their views to the Housing Survey which he has collated.
- The Steering Group needs to draft a Vision for the plan.
- Peter Rutherford the Northumberland County Council Officer has said the Parish is unique, it is sparsely populated and Chatton is a Conservation Village.

The Parish Councillors present gave the following views in response to the survey:

- Chatton as a Village needs to grow in the right way to survive, to support the shop pub & public transport.
- Jobs should be considered first then the appropriate affordable housing to follow.
- There is room for some more tourism i.e. holiday lets.
- Use infill sites in Chatton for development

- There is a need for part time skilled farmer workers which could be utilised on several farms to possibly make up to a full time job.

Parish Councillor D Ord joined the meeting at that point

- Developments should be built in the local style.
- The Vice-Chairman suggested a bio-digester could be an option which could supply energy to the local community and support the local farmers.
- Parish Councillor R Tebay read out the collated comments from the Steering Group members.

Parish Councillor R Tebay stated that he would summarise the above comments and circulate them to Parish Councillors unable to attend tonight for their comments. He informed the meeting that Peter Rutherford has suggested the Steering Group could prepare a Conservation Area Character Appraisal which would cost approx. £10k to prepare, and this would maintain the loyal style of buildings. He concluded by saying the Steering Group has been collecting information on Listed Buildings & farms within the Parish:

The dates for the future Steering Group meetings are 15th June & 20th July.

Min 1145 (Min1131) - Signage in the Parish- Parish Councillor D Ord informed the meeting that there have been some repairs undertaken to signs within the Parish. The meeting was advised that the Chairman had submitted his collage of the signs in the Parrish to Northumberland County Council. Parish Councillor R Tebay advised the meeting that the Chairman had circulated a reply from Northumberland County Council. It was agreed the Clerk re-circulate the e-mail to all members. The meeting confirmed this work must be completed at the July meeting.

The following Parish Councillors agreed to survey the following parts of the Parish:

Parish Councillor A Wrangham – Lilburn (completed)

Vice- Chairman -West of Chatton (completed)

Parish Councillor M Govett- Hettons

Chairman- Chatton (completed)

Vice-Chairman- Chillingham

The meeting agreed the Clerk contact the Chairman asking him to complete the map with all signage issues within the Parish ahead of the July meeting; where Parish Councillors will prioritise a list to be sent to Northumberland County Council along with the map.

Min1146 (Min1132)- School Field Lease- The meeting agreed to defer signing the revised Lease until July meeting and the Clerk to contact the Chairman and ask for an update.

Min 1147- Rights of Way Consultation- The Vice- Chairman informed the meeting he has spoken with Alex Bell at Northumberland County Council and this is clarifying the green lines & green dotted lines on the Ordnance Survey maps as Byways Open to All Traffic as they were classified as unpaved public streets in the past. The meeting debated the matter. The Vice-Chairman stated the changes to the Rights of Ways currently under consultation are not an issue.

Min 1148 (Min 1142) - Broadband- The meeting considered the reply from John Cooper at Inorthumberland and agreed the Parish Council should pursue this and ask to be included within the next tranche of funding. The meeting asked the Clerk to circulate the original letter which was sent to John Cooper. This to be included on the July Agenda.

Min 1149- Review of Clerk's Salary-The Clerk spoke to the report previously circulated. The members did not ask the Clerk to leave the meeting. The Parish Councillors agreed the Clerk should be paid a bonus to cover the difference she was paid in 2015/16 up to the SPC 22 salary of £10.632 per hour. The Clerk agreed to work out the difference in pay, and circulate the information to members ahead of the July meeting.

Min 1150-Financial Statement

- Bank Balance £ 16793.03
- Including £ 339.82 Future Projects Fund
- £ 404.00 Speed Warning Signs
- £ 16049.21 Parish Council Balance

Min 1151- Accounts for Payment-

- E I Hunter £ 96.00 Clerk's Salary
- HMRC £ 24.00 PAYE
- NALC £ 137.21 Annual Subscription

Min 1152- Planning Approval

15/02828/VARYCO- Variation of Condition 20 (temporary site access) of application
12/03336/VARYCO- To vary house types to plots 1-6 to provide improved design in keeping with market requirements- Land South of Mill Hill Chatton Northumberland NE66 5PR

Min 1153-Chatton News- Deferred to the July meeting.

Any Other Urgent Business.

Date of the next Meeting: Thursday 14th July at 7pm

Agenda Items for July meeting must be received by 4th July

Chairman _____ Date _____

Ch's Initials _____