

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 10th November 2016
in the Chatton Village Hall Chatton Commencing at 19.00**

Present: Chairman J Railton Vice-Chairman M Strother
Parish Councillors: D Ord, R Tebay, P Dodds, S Dodds, M Govett T Faa-Thompson
H Coxon & I Brown
County Councillor A Murray
Alistair Cochrane
Clerk I Hunter
Inspector Elizabeth Hall- Police
3- Members of the public

Public Question time: - None

Apologies for Absence: Parish Councillors M Hunter A Wrangham & J Jeffreys

Declaration of Interest: None

Request for Dispensation: None

Minutes- The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 22nd September 2016 previously circulated were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

Min 1185 (Min 1169)- Parish Council Vacancy- The Chairman informed the meeting that Joe Logan had submitted a request to join the Parish Council. The members considered the request and agreed to accept Joe Logan as a Parish Councillor for Chillingham Ward. The Clerk to write to Mr. Logan confirming his co-option and invite him to the January Parish Council meeting.

Parish Councillors H Coxon & T Faa-Thompson joined the meeting at this point

Min 1186 (Min 1170) - The Neighbourhood Plan- Parish Councillors accepted the Minutes from the Steering Group meetings held on 28th September & 28th October.

Parish Councillor R Tebay gave the following verbal update

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- The Parish Councillors will see the final version of the questionnaire before it is distributed in the New Year.
- The survey will be sent out both electronically & manually.
- Discussions have taken place so far with 4 of the large landowners.
- Northumberland Estates will provide their indicative proposals for the next 15 years on receipt of a written request from the Parish Council Chairman.
- The TNP website is progressing and Parish Councillor H Coxon has agreed to be the Tillside Parish Council lead for the website.
- Professional help is required, 4 candidates have been interviewed by the Chairman & Parish Councillor R Tebay. Jenny Ludman is the successful candidate.
- The cost of the professional help will be £2250 for 6 months work, a funding application will be submitted to DCLG.
- All businesses in the Parish are being formally interviewed in line with the Visions & Objectives.

- He made a request of £500 from Parish Council funds, to pay for printing, website work etc.

The meeting agreed the following:

- The Chairman submit an application to DCLG for funding for the professional planner, the application to also include printing costs for the survey, and other running costs.
- The Parish Council set aside £500 within the budget for the Steering Group to draw on. This can be used for printing costs etc., if the funding application for costs is unsuccessful.
- The meeting agreed the Chairman send the letter to Northumberland Estates which had been drafted by Parish Councillor R Tebay.
- The delivery of the survey will be agreed in the New Year

Parish Councillor M Govett & Inspector Elizabeth hall joined the meeting during Min 1186

Inspector Elizabeth Hall- The Chairman welcomed Inspector Elizabeth Hall to the meeting.

Elizabeth Hall gave the meeting the following update:

- Crime has increased, due to the changes in recording incidents.
- People need to be more vigilant, due to travelling criminals, and remember to lock doors, vehicles, etc.
- Farm Watch is to be revamped and there will be a phone in the Berwick front office which will give farmers. etc. direct access to allow an immediate response. The new number will be issued via the current Farm Watch contacts.
- There is now a car in our area fitted with NPR.
- NFU do offer insurance discounts if trackers are fitted to vehicles.
- Willing to attend any Community events, if available.
- Community speed watch: the police will vet, train and support interested volunteers.

The meeting thanked Elizabeth for the updates. A member of the public asked about the police involvement in Neighbourhood Watch schemes. Elizabeth responded saying the police will attend group meetings.

A member of the public informed the meeting that the Chatton interactive sign is not working. The meeting agreed the Chairman contact M Douglas and ask him to change the battery.

The Clerk to circulate Elizabeth Hall's e-mail address to Parish Councillors for their use.

Inspector Elizabeth Hall and a member of the public left the meeting at this point.

Min 1187 (Min 1168)- Chatton Playing Field- Permissive Walkway- The Chairman invited Alistair Cochrane to update the meeting:

- A post and rail fence for the inward side only would cost approx. £864 inc VAT
- A post & wire fence would be cheaper.
- Northumberland Estate legal fees would be approx. £600.
- He had received one quote for digging and hardcore laying the path which is £3552, and has further quotes to come.

The meeting agreed to await the response to the letter the Chairman is sending to Northumberland Estates, and look at a possible S106 Agreements, for the site.

The Chairman thanked Alistair Cochrane for his work to date.

A Cochrane & 2 members of the public left the meeting at this point

Min 1188- Asset Register- The meeting agreed the updated Asset Register previously circulated.

Min 1189 (Min1184)- Parish Council Website- The meeting agreed not to renew the current Tillside Parish Council mini website, which is administered by Glendale Gateway Trust, in December, as Ian Catchpole is currently working on a website for the Parish Council which will be linked to the Village Hall website, and the Neighbourhood Plan website.

Min 1190 (Min 1181)- West Lyham Application- The Clerk reported the application has not been approved. The meeting asked County Councillor A Murray to obtain an update.

Min 1191-Financial Statement

• Bank Balance	£ 18377.34	
• Including	£ 339.82	Future Projects Fund
	£ 404.00	Speed Warning Signs
	£ 17633.52	Parish Council Balance

Min 1192– Accounts for Payment-

• E I Hunter	£ 192.00	Clerk's Salary
• HMRC	£ 48.00	PAYE
• Northumberland Estates	£ 135.00	Allotments

Parish Councillor R Tebay tabled a cheque for £135 from the Allotment Association to cover the annual rent.

Min 1193- Planning Applications- Observations

16/02434/FUL- Telecoms: Proposal to site a 15m lattice telecoms mast- Land South of Coalhouses Amersidelaw Chatton Northumberland. *Parish Councillors agreed to submit the following observation:*

- *Please can more than one mobile phone company be encouraged to use this mast.*

16/03705/FUL- Proposed construction of two new dwellings -27 Chatton Mill Hill Chatton Alnwick NE66 5PA. *Parish Councillors agreed to submit no observations.*

16/03846/FUL- Development of two residential dwellings, including associated access, car parking, landscaping, and ancillary works- Land to East of Chatton Village Hall, Old Road, Chatton, Alnwick NE66 5PX. *Parish Councillors considered the plans and the e-mail received from John Butler and agreed to submit the following observations:*

- 1 *Is the planning applicant fully aware of the size and physical extent of the concrete rainwater/storm-drain tank under the field. The plan appears to show the above-ground inspection hatch, but does it accurately show the extent of the underground civil engineering that comprises the tank and related piping? We have attached the photographs of the site*

that were taken when this structure was being built, in to the best of my recollection, March 2010.

2 *Is Northumbrian Water aware of the proposed housing development? In particular, as to their ability to access the inspection hatch and the tank in the event of problems. And the need for heavy plant, such as JCBs, travelling over the concrete tank which itself sits on the very unstable “sinking sands”. One can only speculate on the damage that might occur were the tank & pipes to crumble under the weight and insufficiently rigid supporting ground beneath it.*

3 *Has there been sufficient settlement time for the ground to properly compact for future development purposes. We thought it was 10 years for an underground structure of this type.*

4 *The elevation drawing for the proposed properties appear to show lounge/dining-room windows on the East side which would look directly into the next-door house. This is of personal concern to the occupant.*

It was also agreed to submit the photos supplied by John Butler as this information appears to accord with the notes from Northumbrian Water.

16/03865/FUL- Development of one residential dwelling, including associated access, car parking and ancillary works- Plot 16 Mill Hill Chatton NE66 5PR. Parish Councillors agreed for the Chairman to send his draft letter to Colin Barnes, after it being slightly amended, regarding this Plot 16 site. Parish Councillors also agreed the Chairman draft a response, which will be agreed and submitted by 28th November.

Min 1194- Planning Approval

16/02582/FUL- Construction of timber framed conservatory- Fowberry Mains Farm Wooler Northumberland NE71 6EN

16/03038/COU- Change of use from agricultural land and creation of 3 gardens for 3 cottages in an area of paddock- Land North of Wandon Farm Cottages Wooler Northumberland

Min 1195- Consultations

- To consider a response to the current MARP consultations. *Parish Councillors agreed to submit the following observation:
Please consult with the individual Estate Managers for the sites.*
- To consider a response to the current consultation on Byway Open to All Traffic No 57 (west of Hetton Law). *Parish Councillors agreed to submit no comments.*

Min 1196- Correspondence-

1. NCC- BT Phone boxes
2. Age Uk- Request for a donation. *Parish Councillors agreed not to donate*
3. N Estates- Signed Lease
4. CPRE- Autumn Newsletter
5. GNAA- Request for a donation. *Parish Councillors agreed not to donate*
6. NCC- Invite to Local Services Liaison meeting. *Chairman to attend*
7. NCC- Invite to Planning training. *Parish Councillor H Coxon agreed to attend the Belford session*
8. **Belford Parish Council-** Consultation on Belford neighbourhood Plan Vision 7 Objectives. *The Chairman to submit the Parish Council response.*
9. **Belford Parish Council-** Letter requesting support for the re-opening of the Belford platform- *The Chairman to send a letter of support.*
10. **Clerks & Councils Direct-** Newsletter
11. **A1in Northumberland-** Invite to public consultation events

Min1197- Budget & Precept 2017/18- The Chairman proposed & the Vice-Chairman seconded the Precept for 2017/18 remain at £4500. This was agreed.

Min 1198 -Chatton News- The meeting agreed to give a vote of thanks to Isabel & Dorothy for their editorial work for the Chatton News over the last few years. The meeting agreed the Parish Council should perhaps take over the Chatton News which should be renamed as Tillside News. A Parish Councillor suggested producing electronic copies in the future to save costs, it was agreed this could be considered but the important matter at the minute is to find a new Editor. Parish Councillors agreed to promote the need for an Editor.

Any Other Urgent Business.

Min 1199 – Chatton Bridge- Parish Councillor I Brown raised concerns about cracks on the stone bridge. The meeting asked County Councillor A Murray to look into this matter.

Min 1200- Trees- The meeting was informed that it was proposed by a resident to have the sycamore tree near the junction on to the Chillingham Road cut down. Parish Councillors raised concerns that the tree may have a Tree Preservation Order on it, and requested the Chairman investigate this matter.

Date of the next Meeting: Thursday 12th January at 7pm

Agenda Items for January meeting must be received by 3rd January 2017.

Chairman _____ Date _____

Ch's Initials _____