

**Minutes of Tillside Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2019  
in the Chatton Village Hall Chatton Commencing at 19.00**  
Website: <http://www.tillside.uk/>

**Present:** Chairman M Strother, Vice-Chairman R Tebay  
Parish Councillors: H Prytherch, R Ord, A MacDonald-Smith, I Fiddes, I Straughan  
T Hume, D Douglas, B Stimpson, A Wrangham & T Faa-Thompson  
County Councillor A Murray  
Clerk I Hunter  
5 members of the public

**Public Question time:** - None

**Apologies for Absence:** Parish Councillor J Renner,

**Declaration of Interest:** Parish Councillor H Prytherch declared a personal & prejudicial interest in Planning Application No 19/01356/VARYCO.  
Parish Councillor I Straughan declared a personal & prejudicial interest in Agenda Item No 23 Chillingham Fishery.  
All Parish Councillors submitted a personal interest in Planning Application No 19/01444/FUL as the Parish Council is the applicant.

**Request for Dispensation:** None

**Community Police:** - No updates

**Minutes-** The Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2019 previously circulated were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

Parish Councillors agreed to change the order of the Agenda to consider Agenda items No 13 and No 11 next.

Parish Councillors agreed to suspend Standing Orders to allow members of the public take place in the next 2 Agenda items.

**Min 1517- Planning updates-**

**Weetwood Hall-** The Chairman informed the meeting that the Vice-Chairman had circulated an e-mail update following their meeting with the Enforcement Officer at Northumberland County Council.  
The Enforcement Officer had agreed to obtain legal advice as to what steps can be taken, and so far, has not confirmed what legal advice she has received.

Members of public raised concerns about the current situation, and what actions have been taken.

County Councillor A Murray joined the meeting at that point

The Chairman stated the Parish Council have spent a large amount of time and energy trying to resolve the situation. Parish Councillors are disappointed about the lack of progress, but will continue to pursue the situation.

The Chairman concluded that the Parish Council has limited powers.

The Vice-Chairman stated they have asked if an Enforcement Order could be considered, however this has not been confirmed as a possibility yet.

Members of the public thanked the Parish Council for the efforts they have made so far.

**The Percy Arms-** The Chairman informed the meeting that planning permission is not required, there is no planning breach, and no need to apply for change of use for the works carried out at the back of The Percy Arms.

However, The Percy Arms will be a need to apply to Northumberland County Council Licensing for any changes to the current licence to use the new area for alcohol etc. The Chairman said he was of the understanding that The Percy Arms are going to apply for temporary event notices as and when they require to use the area in August & September. The Chairman concluded that the Parish Council will not be consulted on temporary event notices, however local residents should be informed.

A member of the public raised concerns that The Percy Arms had not communicated with local residents regarding their intentions.

Parish Councillors agreed that they were disappointed with the lack of communication from The Percy Arms.

Parish Councillors agreed to monitor the situation, and the Chairman & Vice-Chairman to speak to the owner of The Percy Arms about the situation and encourage good local relationships.

2 members of the public left at that point

**Min 1518- Right of Way-** Parish Councillors considered the previously circulated e-mail from Northumberland Estates regarding using a proposed strip of land for a Right of Way from the New Road to the Old Road passed the allotments to the Community Village Hall area.

A member of the public gave an update on the progress made so far.

The Parish Council to consider the following:

- To pay an annual £25 rent to Northumberland Estates
- To make a contribution towards the £1250 Northumberland Estates legal fees.
- The Parish Council will sign a year to year lease with Northumberland Estates.
- The Parish Council will be responsible for the Right of Way.
- The Parish Council may need to fence the Right of Way.

Parish Councillors agreed: the £25 annual rent, to accept the responsibility (and fence if needed) for the Right of Way.

Parish Councillors agreed the first step is the Vice-Chairman speak to the Allotment Association to check that they support the Right of Way between A & B (as per tabled plan).

If support is received from the Allotment Association Parish Councillor R Ord speak to Northumberland Estates about the Parish Council's contribution towards Northumberland Estates legal fees.

Standing Orders reinstated

2 members of the public left the meeting at that point.

**Min 1519- Parish Councillor vacancy-** Parish Councillors acknowledged the resignation of Parish Councillor M Hunter and agreed the Clerk send a letter of thanks to M Hunter for his services to the Parish Council.  
Parish Councillors ratified the publication of the vacancy notice.  
Parish Councillors noted that there had been to request by electors for a by-election and to date no requests have been received from members of the public to become a Parish Councillor for Chatton Ward.

**Min 1520- Notice Boards-** Parish Councillors ratified the payment of £26.57 for repairs to the Hetton noticeboard.

**Min 1521- Rollout of Superfast Broadband-** Parish Councillor T Hume reminded Parish Councillors he had e-mailed and update in June. He went on to give a verbal update, which included new cable is being laid along the A697, however, it will not be connected to the exchange. He concluded to say the rollout to East & West Horton stops at Fowberry and there are no plans to upgrade the Hetton Hall or South Hazelrigg areas.  
Parish Councillor I Fiddes advised the meeting that he is working with Hetton Hall residents to provide information to Alncom.  
Parish Councillor T Hume agreed to continue working on this item.  
Parish Councillor I Fiddes agreed to gather information for the voucher scheme for residents in his area.  
Parish Councillors agreed Parish Councillor T Hume invite Sylvia Pringle of Inorthumberland to the September Parish Council meeting.

**Min 1522- Chatton Village Hall Committee-** Parish Councillor I Fiddes gave the following verbal update from the AGM:

- The finances are healthy; however, funds may be required to repair the roof.
- The committee has a full compliment of trustees.
- The hall is available for use, please promote.
- Please keep your eyes open for any funding opportunities.
- Consider a bottle bank to recycle bottles, this could be located in yard.
- Parish Councillors I Fiddes & H Prytherch to help with general maintenance.
- Parish Councillors are welcome to attend future meetings, the next meeting is on 18<sup>th</sup> September.

Parish Councillors agreed Parish Councillor I Fiddes would be the Parish Council representative on Chatton Village Hall Committee for 2019/20.

**Min 1523- BBQ Area-** Parish Councillors ratified the additional payment of £114 for the planning application fee.  
Parish Councillor H Prytherch advised the meeting that it is hoped to start works once planning permission is granted.  
Parish Councillors agreed to transfer £2K which is the Parish Council's contribution to the project to Chatton Village Hall Committee, once the planning permission is granted

**Min 1524- Cast Iron sign-** Parish Councillors considered the quote of £1500 received to repair the Chillingham cast iron sign and agreed to defer any decision until the September Parish Council meeting.

Parish Councillors agreed the Clerk contact Neil Snowdon at Northumberland County Council and see if Northumberland County Council would be willing to split the cost 50/50, as Neil Snowdon suggested this may be possible at the site meeting he attended.

**Min 1525- Recycling project-** Parish Councillor B Stimpson tabled a “Northumberland facts” briefing paper which she had prepared following her visit to the Northumberland County Council Recycling Centre. She gave a verbal summary of her visit.

Parish Councillors agreed Parish Councillor B Stimpson pursue a site and the costs involved in providing a village bottle bank and report back to the September Parish Council meeting.

**Min 1526- Anti-Virus protection-** Parish Councillors ratified the purchase of the annual anti-virus protection for the laptop, which cost £7.80 as 5 Parish Councils shared the cost.

#### **Min 1527- Financial Statement**

- Bank Balance                      £ 18855.55

#### **Min 1528- Accounts for Payment**

- J Fletcher                              £ 26.57              Repair noticeboard
- E I Hunter                                £ 96.00              Clerk’s June Salary
- HMRC                                      £ 24.00              June PAYE
- E I Hunter                                £ 114.00             Additional Planning App’ fee
- E I Hunter                                £ 96.00              Clerk’s July Salary
- HMRC                                      £ 24.00              July PAYE
- E I Hunter                                £ 64.03              Expenses

**Min 1529- Unpresented cheques-** The Clerk informed the meeting that 2 x£30 cheques made payable to The Percy Arms are now out of date and still have not been banked. Parish Councillors agreed the Chairman & Vice-Chairman raise this with the owner of The Percy Arms when they meet up with him.

#### **Min 1530- Planning Applications**

19/01227/FUL- Proposed new detached 1.5 storey dwelling- Chatton Scout Hut West End Chatton NE66 5PP

19/01445/PRUTPO- Tree Preservation Order Application- 2 Lime trees T1 and T2- crown reduction of 20%, thinning 10% and crown lifting to trunk- 4 Chatton Mill Hill Chatton Northumberland NE66 5PA *No Objections already submitted.*

19/01844/MAST - 1no 12m pole with 1.5m OMNI at 13.15m, 1no. GPS antenna at 12.3m and 1no 3G OMNI antenna at 11.6m also enclosure with smart metering equipment mounted on concrete plinth. - Land South West Of Cheviot View Wooler Northumberland *Parish Councillors agreed to object to this application on the grounds that this type of column is not an appropriate structure to be erected within a Conservation Area. Parish Councillors would also like to raise concerns that no local residents have been consulted. Tillside Parish Council would be willing to meet with the applicant to discuss the application and a more appropriate location for the mast.*

Parish Councillor H Prytherch did not take part in the discussion of the next planning application.

19/01356/VARYCO - Variation of condition 2 (Approved Plans) pursuant to listed building consent 17/03570/LBC to allow installation of two additional window openings to the ground floor South elevation of Unit 1, an additional porch to the North elevation to access passage along with new door opening through the existing structure of Unit 7 and one additional window to the South elevation and to serve the proposed hallway to Unit 8 -Land At West Of Broomhouse Farm West Lilburn NE66 5NE. *Parish Councillors agreed to submit no comments.*

19/01444/FUL- Proposed BBQ and seating area along with children's play area and equipment Chatton Village Hall Old Road Chatton NE66 5PX. *Parish Councillors agreed to support this application*

### **Min 1531- Planning Approval**

19/01000/LBC- Listed Building Consent. To take down the out building to the north east of the main house that has suffered extensive tree damage, and to reconstruct to the same design, reusing the same stone, and slate roof- The Farmhouse Broomhouse West Lilburn Alnwick Northumberland NE66 5NE.

### **Min 1532 - Correspondence-**

- **Clerks & Councils Direct-** July Newsletter
- **Glendale Gateway Trust-** Wooler fuel poverty project
- **Resident-** E-mail re winter grit heaps

**Min 1533- Local Transport Plan 2020/21-** Parish Councillors agreed to defer this until the September meeting. The Chairman asked the Clerk to re-circulate the information received from Neil Snowdon at Northumberland County Council regarding what can be included as a priority.

**Min 1534- Chillingham Fishery-** Parish Councillors agreed to monitor the situation.

**Min 1535- Defibrillators-** Parish Councillor A Wrangham advised the meeting that she is still working on this as there are many types of defibrillators. The Chairman advised the meeting that he had spoken to a local First Responder, a defibrillator will cost £1700 and we will need the following for each defibrillator

- An electric supply
- A guardian to check the machine
- Replace batteries every 5 years.
- Replace pads every 2-3 years.

Parish Councillors agreed:

- In principle to purchase 2 defibrillators- The Parish Council to fund one defibrillator and County Councillor A Murray agreed to fund the 2<sup>nd</sup> defibrillator.
- Parish Councillor T Faa-Thompson to identify a site in the Hetton area, and see if any local businesses will make a contribution.
- Parish Councillor A Wrangham to identify a site in the East Lilburn area, and see if any local businesses will make a contribution.
- A final decision will be made at the September Parish Council meeting.

**Min 1536- Chatton News-** Parish Councillors agreed the following to be included in the next edition of Chatton News:

- Recycling- Parish Councillor B Stimpson
- BBQ update- Vice-Chairman
- Vacancy- Vice-Chairman
- Ask residents if they have any highway's issues to e-mail them to the Parish Council. Parish Councillors will consider any information received when considering the Parish Council's Local Transport Plan priorities.

**Any Other Urgent Business.**

**Min 1537- Public seat-** Parish Councillor D Douglas advised the meeting that the arm is broken on the public seat near the Millennium Stone. Parish Councillor H Prytherch agreed to check the public seat.

**Min 1538- Chatton Cricket Club-** Parish Councillor D Douglas raised concerns about the state of the Cricket Club building. Parish Councillors agreed to add this to the September Agenda.

**Min 1539- Grass cutting-**The Chairman asked the Clerk to contact Northumberland County Council and obtain a map of the grass cutting undertaken within Chatton along with confirmation of the frequency of the cuts. Parish Councillors agreed the Clerk write a letter of thanks to M Douglas for cutting grass areas within Chatton.

**Date of the next Parish Council Meeting:** Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September at 7pm

Agenda Items for September meeting must be received by 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2019

Chairman\_\_\_\_\_Date \_\_\_\_\_

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