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# Minutes of the Tillside Parish Council Virtual Meeting held on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2021 Commencing at 19.00

**Present:** Chairman M Strother, Vice-Chairman R Tebay

Parish Councillors: H Prytherch, I Fiddes, B Stimpson, R Ord, A MacDonald-Smith,

T Hume, I Straughan & J Renner County Councillor A Murray 1 member of the public.

Clerk I Hunter

**Apologies for Absence:** Parish Councillors T Faa-Thompson & A Wrangham

**Declaration of Interest:** None

Request for Dispensation: None

**Community Police:** No report received.

**Minutes-** The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> September 2020 previously circulated were agreed, the Chairman to sign a hard copy.

Any urgent matters arising from the minutes if not already on the agenda- None

**Min 1654- Local Transport Plan-** Parish Councillors ratified the following 3 priorities as the Parish Council's requests for the 2021/22 Local Transport Plan:

- 1- Change the priority at the Lyham crossroads from north-south to east-west suggesting changing the signage at the junction
- 2- The creation of parking spaces near Chatton Village Shop. A possible location could be the verge north of the shop near a new housing development. This request is on safety grounds.
- 3- Resurface the road in the area of the dip near Fowberry Moor.

**Min 1655- Footpath at Allotments-** Parish Councillor R Ord reported he had received a price of £4800 to undertake the works.

Parish Councillor H Prytherch reported he had received a price of £4600 to undertake the works.

The Chairman reported he still had to obtain a quote.

The Chairman asked County Councillor A Murray if he would be able to fund the works. County Councillor A Murray replied that his available small grant funding is very limited, however if the Parish Council forwards the 3 quotes on to him, he will see what he can do.

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- **Min 1656- Planning Applications-** Parish Councillors ratified the comments already submitted on the following planning applications:
  - 20/02951/FUL-Proposed orangery-The Old Coach House Chatton Alnwick Northumberland NE66 5PY. Support already submitted.
  - 20/02694/FUL- Proposed development is for the installation of hard standing/grass for parking for the addition of 7 touring caravans use (maximum of 12 only site already has permission for 5 touring caravans under the Caravan and Camping Club); each hard standing will be 6 metres apart; electric stand and connection will be provided to each site for hook up by the caravan- Chatton Trout Fishery Chatton Alnwick Northumberland NE66 5RA. No objections submitted, along with a request for screening.
  - 20/03852/FUL-Two storey extension and porch. Clavering B6348 Wooler To Chatton Wooler NE71 6EU. Support already submitted.

## Min 1657- Planning Approvals-

- 20/01799/LBC- Listed Building Consent to replace cast iron guttering with cast iron guttering of same design, remove welsh slate roof, repair/replace wooden subframe, treat roof beams for woodworm, re-felt and return welsh slate roof. No alterations are proposed- West House Chillingham Castle Grounds Chillingham NE66 5NN
- 19/04831/FUL- Proposed new two bedroom dwelling (holiday let) with associated access and parking, replacing the former metal clad agricultural outbuilding- Hetton Limeworks Lowick Northumberland
- 20/01707/FUL- Conversion and extension of agricultural building to residential (C3) to form 1no. dwelling- Land West of Tilery Cottage Chatton Northumberland
- 20/02061/VARYCO- Variation of Condition 2 (Approved Plans) pursuant to planning permission 19/01227/FUL to reposition house and remove garage- Land North Of Scout Hill Chatton Northumberland

### Min 1658- Planning Refusal

20/02282/LBC- Listed building consent for replacement of all single glazed windows with double glazed units matching the current design- West House Chillingham Castle Grounds Chillingham NE66 5NN

Parish Councillors considered writing a letter to Northumberland County Council in relation to the above refusal, referring to the reduction in carbon emissions. Parish Councillors agreed as the application was refused due to lack of information that they would consider a revised appropriate planning application supportively.

**Min 1659- Website/ email account-** Parish Councillor A Macdonald-Smith explained a option of a Microsoft email package for £200 per year which will provide a backup for

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emails. However, I need to contact the website administrator as amendments to the website are required in relation to the forwarding email. Parish Councillors agreed in principle to change to a Microsoft email package, and that Parish Councillor A MacDonald-Smith liaise with the website administrator before taking any action, then report back to a future Parish Council meeting.

Parish Councillors agreed the payment of £101.86 for the 2020 website fee invoice. The Clerk reported that the website administrator had raised concerns about the logo image the Parish Council are using on the agendas & minutes. Parish Councillors agreed Parish Councillor A Macdonald-Smith liaise with the website administrator to resolve the issue. The Clerk agreed to forward the relevant email onto Parish Councillor A Macdonald-Smith.

#### Min 1660- Financial Statement

• Bank Balance £ 18625.12 Including £2K for Covid -19 Contingency fund.

## **Min 1661- Accounts for Payment**

•	Warcup Law	£	420.00	Legal fees footpath Agreement
•	E I Hunter	£	96.00	Clerk's October Salary
•	HMRC	£	24.00	PAYE October
•	Northumberland Estates	£	25.00	Annual rent footpath
•	Royal British Legion	£	60.00	2 wreaths
•	E I Hunter	£	96.00	Clerk's November Salary
•	HMRC	£	24.00	PAYE November
•	S Douglas	£	360.00	Grass cutting
•	E I Hunter	£	96.00	Clerk's December Salary
•	HMRC	£	24.00	PAYE December
•	E I Hunter	£	96.00	Clerk's January Salary
•	HMRC	£	24.00	PAYE January
•	I Catchpole	£	101.86	Website fees
•	Qualsafe	£	145.80	Replacement pads- Lilburn defibrillator

Min 1662- Defibrillator- Parish Councillors considered and agreed the quote for replacement pads for the Lilburn defibrillator. Parish Councillors asked the Clerk to contact Parish Councillor A Wrangham to ask why the pads need to be replaced, and see if it is due to the expiry date, and if so the Clerk then ask Parish Councillor T Faa-Thompson to check the dates on the pads of the Hetton defibrillator as they may need to be changed.

Min 1663-Christmas Lights-The Chairman informed the meeting that Parish Councillor H Prytherch had obtains prices. The Chairman proposed deferring the project at the present time due to the current covid 19 situation and as there is plenty time to consider the project ahead of Christmas 2021. Parish Councillors agreed to defer this until the July meeting.

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## Min 1664- Correspondence

- **1- GNAA-** Request for a donation. Parish Councillors agreed not to make a donation as there may be a need to provide financial support locally during covid 19.
- 2- CPRE- Autumn 2020 newsletter
- 3- Clerks & Council's Direct- November newsletter
- **4- Age Uk-**Information & request for a donation. Parish Councillors agreed not to make a donation as there may be a need to provide financial support locally during covid 19.
- **5-** NCC- Confirmation of Modification Order (No 15) 2020 Bridleway No 33 Chatton
- 6- Clerks & Council's Direct- January newsletter
- Min 1665- Annual Review of Clerk's salary- Parish Councillors noted the Clerk is paid on SPC 12 which equates to £11.53 per hour as of 1<sup>st</sup> April 2020. The Clerk reported that the hours worked in 2019/20 meant the Clerk was paid more than the SPC 12 hourly rate. The Clerk to provide an update to the May Parish Council meeting on hours worked in 2020/21.
- **Min 1666- Budget 2021/22-** Parish Councillors considered and approved the in-year budget update

Parish Councillors considered the previously circulated draft budget and agreed to reduce the election cost within the budget from £1000 to £930 to allow the budget to remain at £4500 for 2021/22.

Parish Councillors agreed the earlier agreed £200 website costs would come from current balances.

Parish Councillors agreed the precept for 2021/22 would be £4500, which means no increase to residents.

Min 1667- Chatton News- Parish Councillors considered and agreed to use part of the covid 19 fund to pay for taxi's if required to allow residents to attend appointments for vaccines, which is in-line with the provision being made by Wooler Parish Council. The Chairman to check with the Chairman of Wooler Parish Council to see if it is possible to use the same taxi's service and if so, the Clerk be the Parish Council point of contact to forward details on to Wooler Parish Council. The Vice-Chairman to prepare an article for the Chatton News to promote the service (only if the service is an option).

Also, advise residents that that Parish Council have not increased the precept in 2021/22.

Min 1668- Public Question time: - None

Any Other Urgent Business.

Min 1669- Northumberland Estates- Parish Councillors noted the notification received from Northumberland Estates that a planning application for Joiners Cottage has been submitted to Northumberland County Council. Parish

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Councillors agreed they will make comments on the planning application when it arrives for consultation, and asked the Clerk to thank

Northumberland Estates for the advance notification

Min 1670- Grit heaps- Parish Councillor I Straughan asked about the replenishing of the grit heaps in the Parish and asked if there was map showing locations. Parish Councillor T Hume suggested there may not be a map. Parish Councillors agreed the Clerk ask Northumberland County Council if there is a map identifying locations of grit heaps.

Parish Councillor I Straughan also asked for the grit heaps at Fowberry Bridge and Dancing Green Hill to be checked to see if they have been replenished. Parish Councillors agreed the Clerk contact Northumberland County Council.

- Min 1671- Pot holes/road signs- Parish Councillor T Hume said that staff of Lilburn Estates regularly reports issues, and asked if it would be better for the Parish Council to report the issues. The Chairman suggested that the staff of Lilburn Estates continue to report the issues, however if Parish Councillor T Hume provide a list of issues to the Parish Clerk the Parish Council will also report the issues. Parish Councillors agreed.
- Min 1672- Speed warning sign for Chatton- Parish Councillor H Prytherch asked if there was an update regarding an additional speed warning sign for Chatton, as a Northumberland County Council Highway's Officer was going to provide the Parish Council with possible locations. Parish Councillors agreed the Clerk and the Chairman follow up the issue with Northumberland County Council Highway's Department.

**Date of the next Parish Council Meeting:** 11<sup>th</sup> February 2021

Chairman	Date
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