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**Minutes of the Tillside Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 13th January 2022
in the Chatton Village Hall Chatton Commencing at 19.00**

Present: Chairman M Strother, Vice-Chairman R Tebay
Parish Councillors: I Fiddes, T Hume, J Renner, I Brown, H Scrivens, A Wrangham,
H Prytherch R Ord & A MacDonald-Smith. (joined the meeting at Min 1768)
County Councillor M Mather
2 members of public.
Clerk I Hunter

The Chairman proposed amending the order of the Agenda, asking for Agenda Item No 10 to be considered after Agenda item No 5. This was agreed

Public Question time: - None

Apologies for Absence: Parish Councillors T Faa-Thompson, I Straughan & D Spours
County Councillor C Hardy

Declaration of Interest: All Parish Councillors declared a personal interest in planning application No 21/04649/FUL as Parish Councillor I Brown is the applicant.
The Chairman, Vice-Chairman & Parish Councillor H Prytherch declared a personal & prejudicial interest in planning application No 21/04958/FUL.
Parish Councillor I Brown declared a personal & prejudicial interest in planning application No 21/04649/FUL.

Request for Dispensation: None

Community Police: The Clerk read out the following report:
There has been 10 incidents and 1 crime since the last meeting
There has been an increase in vehicle theft – Land rover defenders.
The general advice we are giving is
Fit a tracking device.
Use a steering wheel lock
Consider an immobiliser
Keep your vehicle lock at all times and remove the keys when not in use

Minutes- The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 11th November 2021 previously circulated were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

Min 1768- Planning Applications- Parish Councillors ratified the submission of the Parish Council's response of No Observations to the following planning application.

21/04474/FUL- Proposed porch extension to front elevation-The Hayloft Mill Hill Farm
Chatton NE66 5PR

Parish Councillors considered the following Planning Applications:

The Chairman, Vice-Chairman & Parish Councillor H Prytherch withdrew from the meeting.

Parish Councillors agreed T Hume take the Chair for the next item.

21/04958/FUL- Resubmission - Retrospective application for outdoor dining facilities within car parking area to front. Material amendment to roof covering and part timber cladding- Percy Arms Chatton Alnwick NE66 5PS

Parish Councillors debated the application and agreed to object to the application on the following grounds:

- 1- Conservation Area- The building is not in keeping with the requirements of a Conservation Area
- 2- Parking- This application puts further pressure on what is already a problem in Chatton village, with the loss of 4 parking spaces which includes a disabled parking space.
- 3- The neighbouring residents will be impacted by the increase in noises levels and light pollution.

Parish Councillors asked County Councillor M Mather to call the application into committee. County Councillor M Mather agreed.

The Chairman, Vice-Chairman & Parish Councillor H Prytherch re-joined the meeting
The Chairman in the Chair.

Parish Councillor I Brown & 1 member of public left the meeting at that point.

Parish Councillor A MacDonald-Smith joined the meeting at that point.

21/04649/FUL-Erection of steel portal frame with precast concrete panels, yorkshire boarding to 3 sides and grey fibre cement roof sheets with 15% translucent roof sheets- Land East Of Amerside Law Farm Amerside Law Farm Chatton Northumberland

Parish Councillors debated the application and agreed to submit No Objections to this application

Parish Councillors agreed to raise concerns about the current state of the road up to Amerside Law with Northumberland County Council Highway's Department.

Matters Arising-None

Min 1769- Chillingham Bridge- County Councillor M Mather informed the meeting that the bridge has been checked and work will be undertaken within the next financial year.

Min 1770- Speed Warning sign Chatton- County Councillor M Mather informed the meeting that Richard McKenzie of Northumberland County Council is going to contact the Parish Council.

Min 1771- Gateway signage to Chillingham- County Councillor M Mather informed the meeting that he is continuing to work on the gateway/entrance signs for Chillingham and Northumberland County Council are looking at this favourably as both the Parish Council and County Councillor is willing to make a financial contribution.

1 member of public left at this point

Min 1772- Financial Statement

- Bank Balance £ 19987.74 Including £2K for Covid -19 Contingency fund.

Min 1773- Accounts

Payments

• 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
• E I Hunter	£ 11.73	Expenses
• Resident	£ 47.88	Annual website fee

Min 1774- Planning Approvals-

20/01518/LBC- Listed Building Consent: Remedial works to additional defective areas additional to previous Listed Building Consent reference 17/03570/LBC. Replacement of installed roof lights with conservation roof lights, formation of new door opening to unit 7, removal of internal wall to unit 4. Indication of walls previously removed and subsequently rebuilt, removal and replacement of internal stone walls to units 7 and 8.- Land At West Of Broomhouse Farm West Lilburn Northumberland

21/00048/VARYCO- Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) of application 17/03569/FUL - Variations have taken place on site- Land At West Of Broomhouse Farm West Lilburn Northumberland

21/03404/VARYCO- Variation of Condition 2 (Approved Plans) pursuant to planning permission 19/04547/FUL to allow changes to dwelling design for plots 3 and 4-Land East Of Church Hill Old Road Chatton NE66 5PX

Min 1775- Correspondence

- **Transport North East-** Request of letter of support for business case for zero emission buses.
- **NCC-** Community Chest information, applications to be submitted by 14th January. The Vice-Chairman reported he had submitted an application on behalf of the Community Gardens.

Min 1776- Playground Group-The Chairman informed the meeting that the group are meeting next week to look at progressing the project, and there will be an update at the February Parish Council meeting.
The Chairman asked the Clerk to contact Northumberland County Council to see how far the project needs to proceed to secure the funding.

Min 1777- Projects- The Vice-Chairman proposed that 5-6 benches could be made using timber from Storm Arwen, and the benches could be placed in locations around the parish. Parish Councillors supported the idea, and agreed the Chairman, Vice-Chairman & Parish Councillor I Fiddes lead on this project.
The Vice-Chairman suggested setting up a committee which could include the Parish Council, Village Hall Committee & PCC to look into organising events to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee. Parish Councillors supported the suggestion. The Vice-Chairman to provide an update at the February Parish Council meeting.

Min 1778- County Councillor updates- County Councillor M Mather informed the meeting:

- Northumberland County Council will be undertaking a countywide review following Storm Arwen, which will involve stakeholders to look at what went well and what were the issues. There will be a special email address set up which will be open until July where Town & Parish Councils as well as the public can provide their views including constructive criticism. There will be a report at the end of the review with recommendations.
- I have written to Northumberland County Council Cabinet asking for an increased budget for repairs to U & C roads.
- I am attending a site meeting with Highway's Officers on 24th January to look at the state of the road to Amerside Law.
- There have been issues with the Northumberland County Council planning portal, if you have any issues with the planning portal comments on planning applications can be emailed direct to the planning email address. Also, please feel free to email me if you are having issues with the planning portal.

Questions:

Parish Councillor T Hume raised concerns that when trying to report flooding or blocked drains on U & C roads you are asked for the road number which I don't always know, could there not be a map like potholes so you can identify the location. County Councillor M Mather agreed to ask the question at Northumberland County Council.

The Vice-Chairman asked if the Parish Council should start preparing their own emergency plan or should they wait until the review has been completed. County Councillor M Mather suggested they could start the discussions, however, there is no rush and communications were an issue, so there needs to be a way of communicating in emergencies.

Min 1779- Budget 2022/23- Parish Councillors considered and approved the in-year budget update
Parish Councillors considered the previously circulated draft budget and agreed the website cost would be approx. £100 next year, and agreed to

reduce the election costs to £805 to allow the budget to remain at £4500 for 2022/23

Parish Councillors agreed the precept for 2022/23 would be £4500, no increase.

Min 1780- Storm Arwen- Parish Councillors congratulated County Councillor M Mather for the job he undertook in Wooler.

Parish Councillors raised concerns about the lack of communication i.e., where water & food was available. As well as Northern Powergrid giving false promises when the power would be restored.

Residents in Chatton struggled to access information as the power was off, there was no mobile phone signal, and many people no longer have analogue phones to plug in.

Parish Councillors agreed if there was ever another emergency Chatton Village Hall could possibly be a hub, where people could come to, if there was a way of having power and cooking facilities. Also, meals on wheels could be an option to the rural parts of the Parish.

Parish Councillors agreed:

- There would need to be a conversation with the Village Hall Committee, about the building possibly being used as a hub.
- Northumberland County Council could produce an emergency plan template once the review is completed.
- There needs to be an identified hub and a book at the hub with the important necessary information.
- They would need to decide how long after the start of the emergency before you open the hub. Northumberland County Council should provide guidance.
- A way of communicating. Parish Councillor A MacDonald-Smith informed the meeting that in 2025 BT are switching the analogue phones off.

The Vice-Chairman stated that there was no plan, therefore everybody has to learn from the lessons & improve.

Parish Councillor A MacDonald-Smith stated there should have been a disaster recovery plan.

Min 1781- Chatton News- Parish Councillors agreed the following for the Chatton News:

The Parish Council is working with Northumberland County Council on emergency plans following Storm Arwen. The Vice-Chairman Platinum Jubilee a call for volunteers to join a committee.

Defibrillators- Parish Councillor H Scrivens to provide a brief update at some point.

Any Other Urgent Business.

Min 1782- Water leak- Parish Councillor H Prytherch again raised concerns about a water leak near Chatton Village shop. County Councillor M Mather replied that he would have Highway's Officers look at it on 24th January whilst attending the site visit to Amerside Law.

Min 1783- Book box- Parish Councillors considered the email received from one of the volunteers about the height of the box. Parish Councillors agreed the Chairman & Parish Councillor H Prytherch look to see if it can be moved to the other side of the street light which is lower. The Parish Council to receive an update at the February meeting.

Date of the next Parish Council Meeting: 10th February 2022

Chairman _____ Date _____

Ch's Initials _____