

2021

**Minutes for Meeting held Friday 30<sup>th</sup> April at 6pm via zoom.**

**Present:** Kirsty Bell(Chair) Louise Kirkwood Neil Fowler Nigel Fisher Gary Scorer Sue Rollitt(Clerk) Christopher Tait (parishioner).

Minutes of meeting held 4<sup>th</sup> February 2021 circulated prior to the meeting, read and approved, to be signed within a few days by Kirsty.

Declaration in items on the agenda other than standard declarations of interest. None.

**Election May 2021**

1.Nunykirk Parish Council will not be quorate from May 10<sup>th</sup>2021. After taking advice from NALC this meeting has been called earlier than expected to enable the Council to continue normal business. Louise and Nigel remain as uncontested Councillors from May 10<sup>th</sup> 2021.

Councillors passed a resolution to delegate all possible responsibility for daily parish business to the Clerk. All in agreement.

Kirsty to remain as 'old' Chair until such time a new Chair is legally elected at the AGM ,yet to be arranged due to waiting for date of by-election from NCC.

Neil again raised his issue with the Parish Council refusing to become involved with the problem of the statue on the outskirts of the village. Kirsty reminded the Councillors that we have no power to act upon this and Glen had informed us on in February that NCC had no powers either. Glen informed Neil recently that this situation may be difficult for him to arbitrate.The CCTV cameras which have been placed on both entrances to the same property were discussed. Neil stated that we have not had any burglaries to warrant them, Kirsty questioned are they live? The police have also confirmed to Neil that it is a matter for the ICO(Investigations of Commissions Office). Chris informed Councillors that anyone can request to view CCTV recordings within 1 month.

Neil again raised the issue of the boulder removal and ongoing safety assessment, illegal parking at the Sawmill and vehicles driving on verges. Louise replied that the question of parking is part of the safety assessment being carried out by Traffic and Road safety team. Neil has no confidence in NCC listening to us .

**Matters arising**

1.Grit heaps and grit bins filled 16/02/21

2Email to Glen Sanderson regarding the legalities of a wooden sculpture on the edge of the village within the landowners property. Response from Glen that neither the Parish nor County Council have any powers to become involved but he is willing to arbitrate if necessary.

3. Nicola Wardle and Carole Hessey contacted re litter picking. Asked the question whether we could have a supply of hi viz jackets, litter pickers, gloves and bags for family groups to access to pick litter together, but not organised groups due to Covid restrictions. Agreed in

principle, Sue contacted Chair of WVI as to whether this supply could be stored within the Hall. Awaiting response.

4. Emailed Lee Baxter 10/02/2021 requesting a depth indicator at Fiddlers Elbow. Further email sent 03/03/2021 regarding broken gate post and rails at Haggy's gate cattle grid. Reminder about large deep pothole on other side of grid. Also numerous potholes from Wingates past Garrett Lee and towards Todburn reported.

Potholes at Haggy's Gate repaired today 30/04 2021 and some patching on the lane towards the windfarm. Wingates to Todburn potholes filled.

5. Newsletter distributed to Wingates residents 23/02/2021.

6. Contacted Richard McKenzie regarding Speed Consultation of 30mph in Wingates which we received late December. PC sent response of no objections and asked them to consider 20mph. Reply received that 30mph has been approved and will hopefully be installed in 2/3 months time. Neil asked if we should contact Richard again to ask for a response regarding why the 20mph request was not considered, Sue to email Richard informing him that most villagers would prefer a 20mph limit and all Councillors were in agreement. Chris asked if there was a need for a public consultation within the village, Kirsty informed meeting the Parish Council were the only consultee.

7. Letter sent to Martin King/Neil Snowden regarding the Road and Traffic Safety Team 6 month assessment of the safety issues concerning the double bend/ Sawmill customer parking approaching Wingates. Councillor's ideas collated/sent and asked for an update in 3 months time. Plastic bollards now in situ for 6 months. Neil stated that all parking on land before the Sawmill and along the Lonnen lane is illegal as it is a verge (refer to email from Martin King dated 12<sup>th</sup> March 2021.)

8. Parishioner complaint received regarding dog fouling and filled dog waste bags being thrown into hedgerows. Councillors discussed possibility of local dog owners/or people walking in this area not abiding by the law. Possibility of having a bin on the corner of Garrett Lee lane and Wingates lane for dog waste. Sue to contact the Green team at NCC regarding a bin and the frequency of emptying and the cost to the Parish. To be discussed fully at the next meeting.

### **Meetings Attended**

1. Cluster meeting report from Louise attended 13<sup>th</sup> April 2021. Mr McCartney from NCC spoke about Road Traffic issues including resurfacing. Louise asked about our 20mph request, he explained that the County is considering many requests for 20mph at present especially near to schools. He said the problem with 20mph is that people become impatient and attempt to overtake.

### **Plans.**

1. Plans for Roughlees Farm no objection returned 23/02/2021

2.Plans for Stable House, Garrett Lee Farm Condition removal. Plan supported by everyone, Nigel feels it will encourage more permanent residents in the area. Email of no objection to be returned by May 17<sup>th</sup>.

### Finances

#### 1.AGAR 2020/2021

Certificate of Exemption approved and to be signed after meeting by Kirsty and Sue.

2.Invoices approved and cheques to be signed by Kirsty, Louise and Sue after the meeting.

NALC £62.70/Website £75.00 Total £137.70

Norton Security £64.99

BHIB Insurance £266.07

### Clerks expenses

Double size printer ink x2 £71.80

Printer paper/poly pockets £7.25

Microsoft fee of £59.99 to be paid in May when invoice received.

3.Precept paid into A/c £735.50 on 7/04/2021

4.Cluster fee £5.10 23/12/2021

Neil informed Councillors that 10 households within Wingates wish to go on record with the police regarding their disapproval of the sculpture.

Next meeting Friday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2021 at 6pm for approval and completion of AGAR paperwork.

AGM to be arranged within 2 weeks of by-election when official confirmation of the date is confirmed by NCC.

Meeting closed at 6.55pm.