

Stannington Parish Council

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Minutes of Meeting held

22 January 2025

Stannington Village Hall

7.00pm

Attendance:

R Tolson – in the chair
M Scott
R Philipson
R Nixon
H Brown
S Dickinson

D Hall – Clerk

Public session

Two residents attended the meeting to express concern regarding the ongoing developments at Whitehouse Centre. Numerous enforcement issues and appeal for the play barn constructed without permission. Cllr Darwin to raise with Northumberland County Council.

66. To receive apologies for absence

L Darwin – Northumberland County Council
R Philipson

67. receive any declarations of interest

None

68. To receive the minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of meeting in January 2025 were received and approved.

69. To receive any matters arising

No matters arising not covered in the agenda

70. General update

The clerk updated members on the following:

- Investigations re the speed sign on Station Road West – lack of sunlight
- Two white shelters in Stannington Village renovated
- Graffiti removed from the play area
- Trees next to the vicarage removed
- Moles in the cemetery – instructed pest control

71. Councillors updates

REPORT TO THE COUNCIL

Author: Richard Tolson

Date: 12/3/2025

Purpose of report:

To report damage to the bus shelter at Seven Mile House, probably as a result of the last storm.

Actions requested:

Maintenance team to assess what is required

REPORT TO THE COUNCIL

Author: Cllr. Sandra Dickinson

Date: 12/03/25

Purpose of report: To update the Council on matters affecting Stannington Parish

Great North Road

Commentary:

Footpath on Great North Road in front of Rosewood Independent School is churned up because of cars and lorry's constantly mounting the grass verge and footpath.

Reported by local residents.

Mole hill problems at church , from last meeting.

Mr B Stewart spoke to me on Monday complaining of the mess that was left .

72. To consider items pertaining to development control

Councillors considered the following applications lodged with the local planning authority, unless otherwise stated no comment or objection was made to Northumberland County Council:

Tree Preservation Order Application:- T2 (Corsican Pine) - 30% crown thin, removing selective branches to relieve the weight and let wind pass through it T4 (Corsican Pine) - 9 metres crown lift to remove the overhang over the neighbouring garden
4 Park Drive Hepscott Park Northumberland NE61 6QA
Ref. No: 25/00898/PRUTPO

Discharge of conditions : 3 (SUdS verification) pursuant to planning approval 22/00075/FUL
Hepscott Park Stannington Northumberland
Ref. No: 25/00896/DISCON

Variation of Condition 3 (Approved Plans) pursuant to planning permission 24/03957/FUL in order to allow an amendment to the shape of the kitchen
11 The Glebe Stannington Morpeth Northumberland NE61 6HW
Ref. No: 25/00904/VARYCO

Variation of conditions 2 (SuDS) and 5 (landscape strategy) on approved application 22/00075/FUL Condition 2 - Update wording to compliance condition as per proposed SuDS maintenance. Condition 5 - Update wording to compliance condition as per proposed privacy landscaping.
Hepscott Park Stannington Northumberland
Ref. No: 25/00842/VARYCO

Notification of Prior Approval for a general purpose agricultural storage building; extension to existing agricultural building
Low Horton Grange Farm Green Lane Seaton Burn Newcastle Upon Tyne Northumberland NE13 6BZ
Ref. No: 25/00711/AGRGDO

Fell and remove 3no. Corsican Pine T1, T3 and T4 and 1no. Scots Pine T2. Replace with 4no. trees - variety of conifers and British hardwoods.
2 Park Drive Hepscott Park Morpeth Northumberland NE61 6QA
Ref. No: 25/00630/FELTPO

Discharge of condition 7 (construction timeline) on approved application 23/04728/FUL

Pavilion St Marys Hospital Drive Stannington Northumberland NE61 6AP
Ref. No: 25/00590/DISCON

Demolition of existing shed and the erection of a workshop
13 Villas St Marys Hospital Stannington Northumberland NE61 6AT
Ref. No: 25/00547/FUL

Tree Preservation Order Application to remove 4 no. branches from T1 White Beam & 4no. branches from T2 Lime (amended 04.04.25).
28 Park Drive Hepscott Park Northumberland NE61 6QA
Ref. No: 25/00532/PRUTPO

Felling of 1.33ha of mixed conifer including small element of mixed broadleaves due to catastrophic wind blow, with the aim to restructure the woodland to a more biodiverse species mix.
West Catraw Wood Stannington Morpeth Northumberland NE61 6BD
Ref. No: 25/00381/MISC

Felling Licence Consultation - 022/4300/2024 - Blagdon Estate. Replies by 24/02/2025.
Catraw Valley South Stannington Morpeth Northumberland
Ref. No: 25/00371/MISC | Received: Mon 27 Jan 2025 | Validated: Mon 27 Jan 2025 | Status: Decided

Note:

Notices of appeal – none

Notices of enquiry – none

Other notices – none

73. Finance

The following income accounts were noted and approved:

The following payments were approved:

| Chq | Payee | Details | Amount £ |
|------------|-------------------|--|-----------------|
| 1426 | R Philipson | Reimburse for Christmas Tree | 70.00 |
| 1427 | Village Hall | Hire | 24.00 |
| 1428 | D Hall | Salary/exp | 2869.60 |
| 1429 | Northern Services | Bins, notice boards, shelter repairs, graffiti removal | 4068.00 |
| 1430 | THC Landscapes | Planting | 804.00 |

Resolved that: The payments listed be approved

72. Correspondence

All correspondence noted and actioned unless indicated otherwise:

- Mrs Armstrong - drainage at Hepscott park
- Village Hall – open day
- Parish Council Brierly – anti social behaviour
- Northumberland County Council – elections
- Mr Leonard – speed sign on Station Rd – Clerk has checked and charged battery but issue is lack of sunlight
- Mr Warr – Busses to Newcastle missing the route

73. Other business

- Bus shelter at Seven Mile House to be removed
- Speed camera signs being obtained for Station Road
- Grave in the cemetery now restored following unauthorised surface treatment

Signed: _____ Chairman

Dated: _____