

Stannington Parish Council

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Minutes of Meeting held

15 March 2023

Stannington Village Hall

7.00pm

Attendance:

K Carins – in the chair

S Dickinson

M Scott

H Brown

R Tolson

D Hall – Clerk

53. To receive apologies for absence

Cllr R Nixon, Cllr R Philipson, Cllr Darwin – Northumberland County Council

54. To receive any declarations of interest

Cllrs Brown, Carins and Tolson – re any discussions on school

55. To receive the minutes of the previous

Received and confirmed as a true record

56. To receive any matters arising

- Defibrillator now moved to more accessible site at Village Hall
- Ongoing discussions with residents of Netherton Park – Clerk to continue and report back
- Bollards on Furrow Grove and Paving – report to Northumberland County Council
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57. To consider any written reports from councillors or representatives on outside bodies

REPORT TO THE COUNCIL

Author: Cllr. Karen Carins

Date: 15th March 2023

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

Stannington Station Road

There has been no new issues reported at Station Road except the issues for the residents at Nursery Gardens. These issues are ongoing. A library/ noticeboard was requested.

Action: To continue to work with residents. To give an update on the library.

Stannington Village

The southern bus shelter perspex window has blown out. This has been reported to the Council. The defibrillator is now in situ at the village hall. The road sweeper came around the village as there had been complaints about blocked road drains causing flooding. The power company responsible for the work at Stannington school has left a mess on Church Road which has caused complaints and issues for children walking to school.

Councillors approved the purchase of a red phone box to be placed outside the school for the benefit of the community. Its purpose is to commemorate the Coronation of King Charles.

Action: To liaise with residents and report to the Parish Council. To continue to remind NCC to clean all the drains around the village.

St Mary Park

The issues at St Mary Park are ongoing with no resolution surrounding the contaminated material that was dumped by Bellway. The developer was fined £100k but this does not resolve the issue as the money has gone to environmental charities with no compensation to the residents of St Mary Park. There is still contaminated material remaining on the site and the County Council did promise the residents that they would call in the planning application surrounding the playing field. There has been no update from NCC and Councillor Carins has emailed both Councillor Darwin and Councillor Sanderson to request information about the ongoing issue and the resident's concerns. Councillor Darwin has responded and will investigate and get back to the Parish Council with his findings.

Action: To support the residents and work with Bellway and NCC to ensure that the area is put back to a state that is agreeable to all.

The Coronation

The village hall and entertainment has been booked for the 6th May 2023. This is to be a whole Parish free event similar to the Jubilee Event in 2022. The Geordie Singer, Izzy the Face painter and a magician are the entertainment during the day.

A band has been arranged for the evening and a supper at a charge of £6 pp to be able to keep abreast of the number attending the evening event.

Posters have been put in the Parish Magazine and around the Parish. The marquee will be used in case of inclement weather. Councillors and Village Hall trustees will decorate the hall for the occasion on Thursday 4th pm and Friday 5th am. The school may use the hall for a Coronation tea on Friday 5th pm. The Parish Council has agreed to sponsor 6 hall hires per year to support the school and allow all the children to be together for special events. Councillor Carins has paid £25 deposit to Izzy, the face painter.

Action: The Councillors to discuss the format for the day.

Netherton Park

Report to follow. However there have been no major issues to report or changes from the report in January 2023.

Action: To support the residents and work with Bellway and NCC to ensure that the area is put back to a state that is agreeable to all

REPORT TO THE COUNCIL

Author : Helen Brown

Date: 15th March 2023

Purpose of report : To update the Council on Glororum route + any other Parish Issues.

Commentary: Glororum:

Councillor Brown would appreciate feedback on issues raised in March 2021 as no action has been taken to add more gravel to the 'over run' areas, repair the road where it is breaking up,

to remove the sharp curb at the East junction heading out to Clifton as this edge is repeatedly splitting tyres or any improvements to reduce the many signs at the Clifton junction to reduce confusion and distraction. There are 22 signs in a space approx. 20mtr

I did meet with Martin King from NCC back in October 2022 but have had no further communication / update.

Some of the signage on the route is literally hanging on by a thread and will fall apart and needs removing and replacing urgently.

With the ice and snow recently we have had vehicles in the ditch again just after the blind bend travelling east. The route had been gritted and we feel speed could have been a factor. The chunky gravel here has therefore been pushed further down and back and consequently is of no help here.

Actions requested :

Follow up on Neil Snowdon meeting

Please inform NCC of the above hazards:

: request inspection of the Glororum route with a view to add more gravel

: strengthen road where is it breaking up.

: remove / replace sharp edged roadside curb.

: look to reducing the amount of signage or sharing poles – ‘totem pole’ effect

I have also been asked by local residents and neighbours again if there was any response to why the ‘Holiday Park’ at The Whitehouse Farm application did not need an Environmental Impact Report to be carried out prior to a full application?

All of the above have been raised with Northumberland County Council again.

58. To consider items pertaining to development control

Members considered the following planning applications and resolved that there be no objection unless otherwise stated in each application:

Discharge of Condition 15 (Construction Method Statement) on approved application 20/02069/REM Open for comment icon

Land North East Of Netherton Park Netherton Park Stannington Northumberland
Ref. No: 23/00452/DISCON

Discharge of condition 33 (methodology) on approved application 18/04538/FUL.

Stannington Nurseries 58 Station Road Stannington Morpeth Northumberland NE61 6NH
Ref. No: 23/00205/DISCON – Note that Northumberland County Council have refused this

59. Finance

The following income accounts were noted and approved:

Income:

Burial Fees £250

Donation re resident to be used for seat and tree £783.45

Bank balance of BOI £37971.53 and Lloyds TSB £10,350.00 as at 20.12.122

The following payments were approved:

Chq	Payee	Details	Amount £
1343	THC	Annual grass cutting in cemetery, playing field and road verges and	5298.00

		planting of flower troughs around the parish	
1244	Northern Services	Move defib and line car park	917.92
1245	HMRC	PAYE/NIC	432.42
1246	Northumberland Pest Services	Mole control	110.00
1247	Blagdon	Field lease	50.00
1248	Blagdon	Store lease	390.00
1249	Parochial Church Council	Magazine fee	200.00

Resolved that: The payments and income listed be approved

60. Correspondence

- First School – projects wish list – Clerk to liaise
- Northumberland County Council – prosecution
- Northumberland County Council – British Spring Clean
- S Murray – noise on A1, copied into corres with Northumberland County Council
- R Murfin, Northumberland County Council – Issues at Whitehouse Centre
- BHIB – Coronation Events
- North of Tyne Authority – No Precept
- M Moore – Issues at Nursery Gardens – Chair supporting with Northumberland County Council discussions on incomplete site works
- Northumberland County Council – works on Church Road
- Northumberland County Council – Parish Charter
- Northumberland County Council Elections – note that photo ID is needed from May 2023

61. Other business

- Thank you to Morpeth litter group for the work on the A1 and Glorum
- School phone box project – ongoing and application t Heritage Lottery
- Coronation plans – ongoing and well advanced
- Recording equipment needed for oral history project – agreed to fund
- Pavement opposite school needs repair – Northumberland County Council
- Potholes – all to use Northumberland County Council app
- Road near Karbon homes – investigate layby
- Dog fouling – report to Northumberland County Council enforcement

62. Date of Next meeting

17th May – subject to ongoing health matters

Signed: _____ Chairman

Dated: _____