

**KIRKLEVINGTON AND CASTLE LEAVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of a Meeting held on Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2025 at 7.00p.m held in  
The Balcony, Kirklevington Memorial Hall**

**Present:** Nigel DeBadgecoe (Chair) (NDB)  
Neil Clement (Vice Chair) (NC)  
Damian Hadfield (DH)  
Jenny Smith (JS)  
Liz Blanchard (LB)  
Becky Rogerson (BR)  
Mrs. R. Mazonas (RM) (Clerk) (PC)

**Also in attendance:** Borough Councilor A. Sherris (AS), D. Bell (DB) & Mrs. J. Beaumont (JB),

***BEFORE THE CHAIR OPENED THE MEETING MRS R BUTLER BROUGHT SEVERAL MAPS TO SHOW RELATING TO KIRKLEVINGTON VILLAGE – SHE DID NOT STAY FOR THE MEETING.***

**1) APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** – A. McLee & Borough Councillor Mrs E. Hampton

**DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

**DH** declared a non-prejudicial interest as employed in a Government Department. **LB** declared an interest as running business in the village. **BR** declared a non-prejudicial interest – NED -Beyond Housing. **AS** declared a non-prejudicial interest as a member of SBC Planning Committee.

**3) MINUTES OF THE LAST PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

Minutes of the January meeting were duly read. **APPROVED DH, NC**

**4) MATTERS ARISING FROM THE LAST PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** - All matters on Agenda

**5) COMMUNITY WEB SITE**

**NC** reported that after a lot of changes had been made the web site is now ticking along.

**6) PLANNING**

**a) Planning Update and Proposed Developments**

**i) Story Homes – St. Martins Green**

- **NDB** reported that the bins have now been emptied and now were the responsibility of Story Homes and would be emptied fortnightly - 26 times per year.
- Although reported, the cracked pavement and lighting that is out of contact has been received.
- **NC** reported that bins and benches had been discussed at the residents group. Residents had been contacted via Facebook re the wildlife boxes. Will collate returned replies to see who want them and will get back to Story Homes with the information

- **NC** reported that the residents group Registration and Constitution was now being organized.
- The new noticeboard on St. Martins Green is to be looked at by Dodds and reinstalled.
- The temporary footpath behind St. Martins Way still needs to be fenced off.
- A street lamp is out and has been reported to Story Homes.
- Certain areas of land is to be seeded with only a basic quality of seed. It would be much better if the seed contained wild flowers. **AS & JS** reported that the wild flower areas opposite The Crown was planted with a Rainbow Garden Mix which would be much more preferable for the St. Martins Green areas.

**ii) Taylor Wimpey – Oaklands** - Nothing has been reported.

**iii) Duchy Homes/Banks Homes– Hall Wood Meadow - 22/1846/REM.**

- **AS** was able to confirm that the Addison sign to the side of the A67 was on Duchy Land.
- The footpath along the A67 toward the Crossroads was extremely muddy and **AS** was able confirm that he had asked for it to be cleaned.

**iv) Knowles Farm – Nothing reported**

**v) Kirklevington Hall (Formerly Judges Hotel)**

A consultation had been held in the Village Hall on 20<sup>th</sup> January and 23<sup>rd</sup> January in Yarm. Following the consultation it was felt that there was a need for:

- a footpath, cycle path through the site.
- Additional street lighting on the A67
- The widening of the existing footpath on the A67 from the Kirklevington Hall entrance to the north within the bends in the road.

**JS** questioned as to who owned the land and the agent at the consultation confirmed the ownership of the land to the A67. **DB** reported that any route for walkers and cyclists needs to go behind and on the site and there also needs to be provision through the Duchy site connecting with Green Lane pelican crossing site to cross over to Conyers School and also to be able walk along the southern Green Lane footpath to access the Railway Station and promote connectivity. **DB** also pointed out that with the proposed 20 lodges this will almost certainly cater for people with bicycles who will want to cycle into Yarm, Kirklevington and local areas. He also confirmed that there is a need for lighting past the Kirklevington Hall site south on the A67. **JB** reported that the cycle routes would need to be adopted and will require lighting to make them safe. She was concerned that this was possibly the first steps to finding that Yarm was joining with Kirklevington village.

**NDB** reported that searches had been made to the Land Registry to ascertain the ownership of all land north /west and east of Kirklevington village. **A. Alton** had worked on our behalf to obtain this information and we would like to thank him. **DB** showed the

maps of the area and indicated to the meeting it's present ownership. He then expressed his concern should the Kirklevington Hall site obtain permission for this number of dwellings, could we see this number increase as had been the case previously on other sites. Nobody is happy about losing the village but we must make sure that we are taken into consideration and all needs are considered.

**JS** stated that we should not get excited as the needs of Kirklevington may never be considered and that SBC will probably take the money to fund their projects.

**DB** stated that the main concern was the stretch of land to the rear of Braiside.

### **c) APPLICATIONS**

#### **25/0117/FPD 4 Town End Close, Kirklevington, TS15 9NZ**

Application for the replacement/insertion of window and doors to the rear elevation.

#### **25/0160/DCH Land South of Green Lane, Kirklevington**

Information to part discharge condition no12 (Public Open Space and Play facilities) of planning approval 12/1990/EIS - Outline application for residential development for up to 370 dwellings, additional railway station car parking, access, infrastructure, open space and landscaping (all matters reserved).

#### **21/2141/FUL – LAND AT KNOWLES FARM, FOREST LANE, KIRKLEVINGTON TS159NG**

Information to discharge condition no.2 (Soft Landscaping) of planning permission 21/2141 – Erection of equestrian development consisting of stable block indoor/outdoor riding area, walking pens and storage barn.

### **d) DELIGATED DECISIONS**

#### **24/1770/VARY Lane East of Railway Line, West of A67 Kirklevington**

**TS17 9EH** Section 73 application to vary conditions no1 (Approved Plans), no5 (Soft Landscaping) and no6 (Soft Landscape Management and Maintenance) of planning approval 22/1846/REM - Reserved matters application for the layout, scale, appearance and landscaping for 246no residential dwellings, including landscape, open space and infrastructure

**APPROVED**

### **7) PLAY PARK**

#### **a) Grass Cutting**

**NC** to contact John Beckwith for a quote and offer him a trial cut of the grass.

#### **b) TPOs**

A meeting had been held with Mark Nozedar, Arborist for Stockton Borough Council, Alex Bennett resident of Orchard House, **NDB**, **AMc** and **RM(PC)** to discuss the two trees with TPOs on them that sit to the north of the Play Area on the boundary within Orchard House garden. **MN** stated that SBC were unlikely to have any objections to having the TPO removed. **NDB** had obtained the necessary forms that need to be submitted but no further movement by the owners. Had suggested that the application be put in and approval obtained. Concern was expressed that, should the trees fall into

the Play Area and cause damage to the fence, wall and play equipment. **NDB** questioned should the Parish Council offer part funding for the trees to be removed. Unanimously all Parish Councilors present at the meeting objected to this proposal.

### **c) Play Equipment**

**LB** suggested to the meeting that a group of volunteers needed to be organized to carry out some housekeeping of the Play Area and Equipment and village. To be organized in spring.

## **8) CORRESPONDENCE**

- Police Crime Commissioner – Precept Consultation
- Andy Bryson, SBC – Confirmation of receipt of Precept Request
- Alton – Story Travel Plan
- Civic Enforcement – Confirmation that lay-by to be patrolled re disposal of cannisters.
- Kevin Rossington, Hilton PC – Speed Watch – Happy to attend meeting to discuss experiences with Speed Watch at Hilton.
- Wendy Sycamore, Openreach – Confirmation that remaining properties within Kirklevington will have to wait until next year to be upgraded to High Fibre Broadband due to work needing to be carried out to at the Eaglescliffe exchange to increase capacity. North Yorkshire Council - The North Yorkshire Local Plan - Public Release of 'Call for Sites' Submission

## **9) FINANCE**

### **a) Payments**

Mrs R Mazonas

Salary, February 2025	£359.74	
Broadband January, 2025	£24.99	
Stationery	£27.89	
Postage & Stamps	£11.59	
Land Registry Fees £11 x 3	<u>£33.00</u>	£457.21
A. Alton		£112.00
Land Registry Fees Various - Planning Investigative Work		

### **b) Accounts Update**

The **PC** presented to the meeting a sheet setting out the financial position of the Parish Council

### **c) Risk Assessment**

**NC** had made a few alterations to the Risk Assessment and the **PC** is to finalise the document which will be presented to the March Parish Council meeting.

### **d) Grants**

**LB** explained to the meeting that the Craft Group were in the process of organizing the crafting of a map depicting Kirklevington Village over time. She asked if the Parish Council would be willing to give a grant for the cost of materials. The meeting was favourable in approving a grant and asked that she obtain costings and come back to the March meeting with the final costings before final approval is granted.

## **6) SAFEGUARDING**

The **PC** is in the process of working on the Safeguarding Policy Document for the Parish Council and will liaise with **BR** before the March meeting when it will be presented.

## **10) VILLAGE ISSUES**

### **a) Defibrillator**

**NDB** reported that we are now in receipt of the recently purchased defibrillator and it's positioning on Green Lane is being considered and finalized after a discussion with Rob Morrow of SBC and D. Gale. Previously it had been suggested that the defibrillator be sited on Green Lane to the front of the Railway Station but **AS** had already sited one very close by. It was suggested that it now be sited on the verge close to the Tall Trees site and Hornbeam.

### **b) Defibrillator Training Dates**

The **WHT** had organized 2 training dates with D. Gale with the final one being held on the 16<sup>th</sup> February at 2p.m. in The Village Hall. The first training session had proved to be very well attended and successful.

## **11) ROAD SAFETY**

### **a) Speedwatch**

Following receipt by the Parish Council of an email from Kevin Rossington from Hiton Parish Council who was happy to attend one of our meetings to discuss the Speed Watch programme and how it has worked for their community, it was decided to invite Kevin to our March meeting. The **PC** to organize.

### **b) Speeding Traffic – Reduction in Speed Limit A67**

**NDB** had raised the question as to whether it was a requirement for additional street lights being installed to facilitate the reduction in the speed limit to 30mph by The Crown.

## **AGENDA ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AT NEXT MONTHS MEETING**

**Risk/Procedure Assessment, Safeguarding Policy Document, Defibrillator Training**

### **13) Meeting Dates**

**Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> March, 2025 at 7.00p.m. in The Balcony, Kirklevington Memorial Hall.**

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