

= **KIRKLEVINGTON AND CASTLE LEAVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of a Meeting held on Monday, 13th November, 2023 at 7.00p.m held in
The Gallery, Kirklevington Memorial Hall**

Present: Nigel DeBadgecoe (Chair) (NDB)
Damian Hadfield (Vice Chair) (DH)
Jenny Smith (JS)
Alistair McLee (AMc)
Liz Blanchard (LB)
Becky Rogerson (BR)
Sally Aitchison (SA)
Mrs. R. Mazonas (RM) (Clerk) (PC)

Also in attendance: Borough Councillors Elsi Hampton (EH) John Coulson (JC)

1) APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Borough Councillors A. Sherris, D. Fagan, PCSO Rachel Shepherd, Mrs J. Beaumont

2) DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

EH & JC declared a non-prejudicial interest as a member of SBC's Planning Committee. **DH** declared a non-prejudicial interest as employed in a Government Department.

3) MINUTES OF THE LAST PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the October meeting were duly read. **APPROVED LB, JS**

4) MATTERS ARISING MINUTES

All issues on Agenda

5) PLANNING

a) PLANNING UPDATE

i) Story Development

- **DH** has requested that the Council look into the possibility that a ramp track could be built on The St. Martins Green for cyclist to use. **NDB** drew to the attention of the meeting that Story Homes would have to design the track, pay for its installation and insurance. This would become part of the resident's maintenance fees. A good idea and a need for such an activity in the village but unfortunately the Parish Council do not own any land where such a ramp could be installed.
- It has been noticed that work has begun on the MUGA.

ii) Taylor Wimpey

- **NDB** reported that there have been numerous violations at the site but that when raised with **SBC** and **Taylor Wimpey** negative replies had been received. **EH** had asked Elaine Atkinson of SBC what notices are to be served upon Taylor Wimpey and what actions are to be taken.
- It has been noticed that several families have begun moving into the houses at the site.
- **NDB** reported that the pumping station is at present powered by diesel but would eventually powered by electricity.

iii) Duchy Homes – 22/1846/REM

iv) Knowles Farm – Not further information

b) APPLICATIONS

20/0344/NMB – Tall Trees Development, Worsall Road Kirklevington TS15 9PF

Non material amendment for planning approval 20/0344/VARY - Section 73 application to vary condition no.2 of planning approval 15/2152/REM - Reserved matters application (appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) for planning approval 13/2568/EIS - Phase 2 for the erection of 149 dwellings and open space.

23/1961/VARY - Plot 10 Knowles Farm, Grove Bank, Kirklevington, TS15 9NG

Section 73 to vary condition no1 (approved plans) of planning approval 21/0648/REM - Reserved matters application for appearance, landscaping, layout and scale for the erection of 10 dwelling houses

b) DELEGATED DECISIONS

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23/1721/X - Walnut Cottage, 2A Springfield Grove, Kirklevington, TS15 9LU

Application to crown reduce by 20%, crown thin by 10%, prune clean and crown lift to 3m of 1no Walnut tree (T1) of tree preservation order 681 (00.8.5.682) **APPROVED**

6) PLAY AREA

a) Wording on Noticeboard

LB reported that she had been in contact with the supplier and sent the agreed wording to them for them to organise the style and presentation and is still awaiting a reply.

b) Pigeons

AMc reported that there is a need to get some of the branches cut back at the Play Area from the adjoining property – Orchard House. This is needed due to the debris that is being dropped on the equipment. Spikes have already been put on the tops of equipment to deter the pigeons and reflective tape is due to be put on shortly.

c) TPOs

There is a need to contact SBC's Tree Arborist as some of the trees have TPOs on them.

d) Sanitiser/Wipes

The containers have arrived but still awaiting the arrival of the sanitiser before they can be put up.

7) CORRESPONDENCE

- Ann McLone, Bus Stop, Kirklevington Green – Work being carried out.
- A. Alton – Sewage Issues between Crathorne and Kirklevington
- A. Alton – Observations on West Gill & Story Eastern SUDs
- Alton - Kirklevington & Castlelevington Memorial Hall - Insurance Renewal
- Mayor's Office Stockton on Tees Borough Council – Annual Christmas Carol Service
- Gillian Spence, SBC –A67 & B1264 YARM – PROPOSED TRAFFIC ORDER
- John Rose, NW – Septic Tank at Crathorne Hall – Representation Proposed Pumping Project

8) FINANCE

a) Payments

Salary November, 2023 PLUS £492.42

Backdated salary increase

April 23 – October 23 - 7 months

Broadband, October, 2023 £27.86

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Halloween Prize Money	£50.00	
Sanitiser & wipes dispensers Play Area	£74.99	£645.27
A. Aton,		£20.30
Petrol – Lawnmower Play Area		
Grease Gun – Carousel Play Area		
N. DeBadgecoe		
Litter Picking equipment	£15.99	
Sleigh Bells – Christmas Event	£35.97	£51.96
Kirklevington PCC		£50.00
Grant towards cost of Refreshments		
Remembrance Day 2023		

b) Accounts Update

The **PC** circulated the monthly updates to all Parish Councillors for their information

c) Grant

A grant of £100 was given to Kirklevington Primary School to provide raffle prizes as they are raising funds for Y6 activity events. **APPROVED SA, BR**

9) VILLAGE ISSUES

a) PROW

A question was raised as to who actually owns the land that the temporary PROW on St. Martins Way is situated on.

b) Sewage Issues Pump Lane/Crathorne/Village Hall

A meeting has been arranged between A Alton from the Village Hall and John Rose of Nothumbrian Water on 27.11.23. to discuss the issues.

c) Kirkfest 2024

Dates have been put forward re the Kirkfest Event in 2024 – 1st/2nd, 8th/9th 29/30th June or 6/7th July. The school to be contacted for them to look at the dates and decide when would be best for them to hold their annual summer fair.

d) Christmas Event 2023

Well on the way to being organised. The event to be reviewed at the December meeting.

e) Community Youth

LB reported that there is a need to support the youth of the village. As a Parish Council what can we do to support youth activities? Corner House is a charity that organises youth clubs. They would, however need to raise funds to run them. We would need to decide as to where and when they would or could be held. They hold weekly discussion groups and craft groups are made available. They also hold Youth Mentor Programmes for 14 plus groups, training and residentials. Initial meeting to be organised with volunteer to attend meeting with leaders. **BR** need for community events for youth to engage with. **JC** reported that it would be advantageous to speak to the existing organisers of the Yarm Youth Club. Challoner House in Yarm already has an existing Youth Club that is run fortnightly. **LB** agreed to discuss with the school and **AA** re availability of the Village Hall. **LB, BR** and **SA** indicated that they would be willing to work on the organisation

The following suggestions were made:

- Need for Corner House to come and discuss
- Register Interest to establish a need
- Costings
- Trial period
- Mail shot/feedback Kirklevington Village /Questionnaire/ Needs of Youth
- Availability of Village Hall
- Qualified Leaders/Parent participation

f) Kirklevington Grange Prison

JC drew to the meetings attention that there is a new Governor and Deputy Governor at Kirklevington Grange Prison. The **PC** to write to them to introduce the Parish Council to them and the previous supporting community roles that the Prison had given to our community in the past.

10) ROAD SAFETY

a) Speeding A67

NDB reported that **SBC** have proposed that the speed limit on the A67 from the Crossroads roundabout to the entrance to Judges be reduced to 40mph. The Parish Council were unanimous in their view that whilst this would be a step in the right direction – it does not go far enough, drivers on the A67 would find themselves with a speed restriction that kept changing over a very short stretch of road – 40mph – 60mph – 40mph – 60mph. The sensible approach would be for the speed limit to remain at 40mph from the Crossroad Roundabout until Crathorne Interchange, or through to the entrance to Story's as a minimum. The need for a comprehensive Traffic Survey is needed. **EH** had produced a **Speed Limit Reduction on A67** sheet which set out the changes needed on the A67 following a meeting with Gillian Spence of SBC.

b) Pump Lane

We still await a response from R. Morrow of SBC. The funding is available.

12) MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION AT NEXT MONTHS MEETING

A67 Speed Limit Update

Youth Activities – Kirklevington Village

Christmas Event – Review of Event

13) MEETING DATES -Parish Council Meeting

Monday, 18th December, 2023 at 7.00p.m. – Kirklevington Memorial Hall

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