

# Stamfordham Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of Stamfordham Parish Council held in the Village Hall at 730pm on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2016

Those Present: Councillor Trevelyan Chairman  
Councillor Boylan, O'Neil, Fitzpatrick, Wilson, Green

## 1. Apologies for absence

There were no apologies for absence.

## 2. To confirm the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2016

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed as a true record.

## 3. Matters arising from the Minutes, not otherwise on the Agenda

- Owner of campervan is actively looking for a lock up in the area.
- Signs to Bay Horse had been removed.

## 4. Planning Matters.

Northumberland County Council had indicated planning for 1800 homes near to Ponteland, and it was agreed to comment on the final consultation stage of the Core Strategy that if this is being proposed, home numbers should be reduced in other areas.

### Determinations

- **GRANTED:** Nothing to report.
- **REFUSED:** Nothing to report.

## 5. Financial Matters

### Expenditure Authorisation:

- Zurich Insurance - £473.70
- Stamfordham Village Hall - £12.50
- Stamfordham Young Farmers – defibrillator funding - £400.00 – equipment imminent
- D Stanley Issue 167 - £90.03
- D Stanley Issue 68 - £79.79
- Northumberland County Council – play area rent - £120.00
- ROSPA - play area inspection - £79.80
- NALC – annual subscription - £188.07
- Ponteland Town Council – subsidy for continuation of bus service 74 - £500.00

## 6. County Councillor's Report

- County Cllr had given apologies.
- It had been confirmed Stamfordham school age range would increase to cater upto 11 year olds by September 2017, with the reason being all governing bodies supported this extension, however it was known parents were not in favour. It was agreed concerns regarding insufficient space in the current school building, and the foreseeable increase in traffic would be problematic – Clerk to write to County Council Educational Department voicing these concerns.
- Anticipated County Council future cuts within the next two years could encompass grasscutting, amenity land maintenance, public W/C's, supported bus services and community group support, and this would be discussed in detail at next PC meeting – clerk to email details to all Cllrs. This was concerning due to the already foreseeable lack of grasscutting. Grass opposite garage had been half cut, however there was dispute between ISOS and County Council over who was responsible, however from 1-4 Widdrington Road to Grange Road should be the County Council – Clerk to contact NCC.

## 7. Correspondence:

Northumberland County Council

- Local Transport Plan Requests 2017-2018 – noted. Cheeseburn Road resurfacing had been partially actioned.
- ROSPA – Play area inspection report – several medium risk items indicated which would be monitored by the Parish Council.

**8. Other business admitted by the Chairman as urgent**

Tree on Brewery Close being rotten had been removed, which had caused upset with residents, and it was agreed to contact ISOS and suggest a replacement be planted.

**9. Review of insurance cover**

Cover appeared adequate for the current needs of Stamfordham Parish Council

**10. To confirm the date of the next meeting**

The next meeting of Stamfordham Parish Council will be held on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2016 commencing 730pm in Stamfordham Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8pm