

Stamfordham Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 16th March 2016 in Stamfordham Village Hall at 730pm

Present: Councillor Trevelyan, Chairman
Councillors Boylan, O'Neil, Fitzpatrick and Wilson

In Attendance: C Miller, incoming Clerk welcomed to the meeting

59. Apologies for Absence

County Cllr Veronica Jones

60. Minutes of Meeting held 20th January 2016

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed as a true record after slight amendment to include attendance of Chairman E Trevelyan.

61. Matters arising from previous minutes, not otherwise on the agenda

- Police had confirmed car parked outside of garage is not causing an obstruction, and had also attended Brewery Lane further to a complaint of cars parking all day.
- Concern raised over area of grass being unacceptable due to vehicle having to drive over grass to park on hardstanding.
- When silt had been removed from the river upstream from the bridge, Bridge Inspector had agreed the way the earth is on the downstream side of second arch resulted in the requirement for cleaning works, however there are stones there which suggested a wall may have been built, and ideally, a few feet back from this area should be taken out. Part of the is corner to be cleared out, further to permission received from Tree Officer.

62. Planning Matters

- Previous clerk had passed historical papers to Chairman, including 15 year old planning applications, which did not need to be kept.
- Planning Application NO 15/03017/FUL: six detached dwellings with associated garaging and access on land west of Brewery Close had been refused Planning Permission.

63. Financial Matters

Expenditure Authorisation

- Village Hall rental - £12.50
- Hexham Courant – Clerk advertisement - £58.82
- Stan Com – Issue No 161 - £31.92 - £7.04 in credit for Issue 164

64. County Councillor's Report

- County Councillor not present.

65. Correspondence

- NCC – Street light replacement – all lamps within Northumberland to be replaced with LED as existing, however PC’s do have the option to request alternative structures, but which would require funding from PC’s.
- NCC – Core Strategy – Notice of further consultation period, with final draft not be expected until Summer 2017.
- Email from David Parkin – requesting if posters could be placed on village noticeboards and village halls advertising a little known chapel within Stamfordham, Clerk to reply and ask exactly where the chapel is.
- Email from Chair of Craster PC – regarding review of the removal of PC’s being able to trigger a planning application to committee, with short questionnaire which had been circulated to all, subsequently read out with agreement to reply YES to all questions.

66. Other business admitted by the Chairman as urgent

- It was agreed meeting dates would be changed to the third Thursday bi-monthly, due to request by Clerk, confirmed as Thursday 19th May (AGM at 7pm), Thursday 21st July 730pm, Thursday 15th September 730pm and Thursday 17th November 730pm.
- It was requested the two signs within the parish advertising the Bay Horse be removed at junction South side of village and corner when entering village - Clerk to contact NCC.
- Road sweeper had carried out cleansing works to a high standard within the village.
- Village seats to be inspected in the near future.

67. To confirm the date of the next meeting

The next meeting of Stamfordham will be held on Thursday 19th May 2016 commencing 730pm in Stamfordham Parish Hall following the AGM at 7pm.

Chairman

Date