

KIRKLEVINGTON AND CASTLE LEAVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of a Meeting held on Thursday 27th May, 2021 at 7.30p.m held in the
Large Hall, Kirklevington Memorial Hall

Present: Mr N. DeBadgecoe (Chair) (NDB)
Mr D Hadfield (Vice Chair) (DH)
Mrs J Smith (JS)
Mrs J. Beaumont (JB)
Miss R. Grainger (RG)
Mr A. Alton (AA)
Mrs. R. Mazonas (RM) (Clerk) (PC)
Borough Councillor Mr. A. Sherris (AS)

Also in attendance: Mr. G. Tebbs

1) APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE - Mr P. Deepak and Borough Councillor Mr. D. Fagan

2) DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

AA, JB declared a non-prejudicial interest as a member of Kirklevington Action Group (KAG). **AA** declared a non-prejudicial interest as Chair of Kirklevington Memorial Hall. **JB** declared a non-prejudicial interest as Treasurer of Kirklevington Memorial Hall. **AS** declared a non-prejudicial interest as a member of SBC Planning Committee. **JB** showed a non-prejudicial interest as a close neighbour of planning application 21/0156/FUL **DH** declared a non-prejudicial interest as employed in a Government Department.

3) MINUTES OF THE LAST PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the April meeting were duly read, **APPROVED RG AA**

4) MATTERS ARISING MINUTES

27.4.21 11c) NDB had investigated the quality of pictures received from the existing cameras and is now obtaining, on loan ,new cameras with a view to purchasing if, once the camera quality is inspected and a price is obtained. **NDB** will bring an update and present at the June meeting.

5) a) ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

Election of Chair: **AA** nominated **NDB** as **Chair** and both **JB** and **RG** seconded

Election of Vice Chair: **After a discussion which allowed for all Parish Councillors the opportunity to put themselves forward** **DH** indicated that he was happy to be nominated to the post **JB** nominated **DH** as **Vice Chair** and both **NDB** and **JS** seconded

The above members declared that they were happy to accept these positions.

b) CHAIR'S ALLOWANCE: **NDB** declined the allowance and requested it stayed in the **PC** budget

c) REPRESENTATION AT OUTSIDE BODIES

AS was able to explain that community issues were now discussed at the Community Partnership which he attended. **JB** suggested that if representatives of the Parish Council were invited we should ask for volunteers to attend and represent at the meetings.

6) BOUNDARY CHANGE PROPOSALS

AS reported that he was in the process of organising a meeting with officers from SBC to discuss all issues relating to these major changes to the ward boundaries in the Stockton area. He, along with all the Parish Councillors were extremely concerned re the proposal to change the boundaries relating to Kirklevington Parish. **AS** stated that there was so much confusion throughout the borough and these

changes had not been thought out. A meeting with Yarm Town Council was suggested to ascertain their views. The **PC** was asked to contact SBC and the Boundary Commission to request hard copies of the maps. The maps sent to the Parish Council were of a very poor quality and did not show clearly the boundaries in relation to Kirklevington Parish.

7) PLANNING

a) PLANNING UPDATE

i) Story Development

NDB reported that he had held a meeting with Mark Green of Story Homes to discuss various issues.

a) PROW: Wearmouth to carry out the work to repair and lay a new surface on the PROW around the village school.

b) SITE WORKING TIMES: Both photographs and videos were shown to Mark Green re the very early start times of workers on the site and the disturbance that they were causing to residents. The photos were accepted as evidence and forwarded on to SBC.

c) BEHAVIOUR OF WORKERS: It was brought to Mark Greens attention that residents had expressed concern re the conduct and language used by the Wearmouth workers. The site is next to a school and also the gardens of residents with children and this behaviour is totally unacceptable.

d) BECK WATER LEVELS: It was brought to Mark Greens attention that the water levels in the beck at the end of Town End Close were such that a barrier was needed at the culverts as they posed a danger to children. Mark Green explained that SBC had not put the connecting pipes at the correct level in order to connect with their pipes. To solve this issues Story would be digging out a new beck to enable water runoff.

e) SUDS DRAINAGE FROM LEVINGTON MEWS AND LEVINGTON COURT: These drains have now been located but it had been found that the pipe was blocked up. **AA** pointed out that a head wall should have been built.

NDB also reported that he had held a meeting with **Neil Hoskins** from **SBC**

- **NDB** had pointed out to Neil that the gate from the Story site should remain until such time as the road layout is agreed to promote a safe route.
- **NDB** had pointed out that the proposed changes by SBC and Martin Parker to the road layout was not included in the original Jomast approved plans.

ii) Banks/Taylor Wimpey – 21.0156/FUL

a) NDB reported that there was to be an archaeological survey carried out the St. Martins Ways site. This should take approximately 2 weeks from 1st June, 2021. Access would be from St. Martins Way for all vehicles. The **PC** had been requested by Taylor Wimpey to inform all residents. It was agreed to put this on website.

b) AS reported that Highways England had now removed their 3 months hold on the application re the transport assessment.

iii) Theakstons

AS reported that the 3 month hold on the application re the transport assessment by Highways England still remained.

b) PLANNING APPLICATIONS

21/1453/FUL – Cleveland View, Thirsk Road, Kirklevington, TS15 9LR

Erection of a single storey side/rear extension and an attached garage to the side (demolition of existing garage to side/rear and single storey rear extension)

21/1426/DCH – Tall Tress Development, Worsall Road, Kirklevington, TS15 9PF

Information to discharge condition no3 (Tree Pit Details), no4 (Trees adjacent to the adopted highway), no7 (Hedgehogs Fencing) of 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.

21/1420/FUL – 85 Forest Lane, Kirklevington, TS15 9NG

Erection of a single storey extension to the front and a single storey extension to the side and rear.

DELEGATED DECISIONS

20/1728/FUL – 60 Forest Lane, Kirklevington

Construction of detached double garage with associated driveway and creation of stepped garden terrace to front/side. Installation of glass balustrade to side/rear on existing veranda.

APPROVED

21/0762/X – St. Martin and St. Hilary Parish Church, Kirklevington

Application to crown lift by 6-7m above ground level to 1no Copper Tree, 1no. Lime Tree and 2no. Sycamore Trees (Ts-T5) subject to tree preservation order 326 (00.8.5.326) and tree preservation order 816 (00.8.5.816)

APPROVED

20/0344/VARY -Tall Trees Development, Green Lane, Kirklevington, TS15 9PF

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. **APPROVED**

8) PLAY AREA

a) Maintenance and Repair :

- **AA** reported that the metal gate requires attention to the hinge. Both **AA** and **GT** to solve the issue and **NDB** thanked **GT** for his support.
- **NDB** along with **AA** were still looking into the issue of grass cutting at the Play Area and should be able to present their suggestions re the purchase of grass cutting equipment and storage at the next Parish Council meeting for approval.
- **NDB** reported that the existing signs at both end of the Play Area will need to be replaced as, on inspection, they could not be repurposed.

b) Equipment: At this present time the Parish Council were looking at adding further equipment but financial consideration will need to be made before any decision is taken.

c) Seating Area: A very constructive meeting was held with **Jenny Eggett** and **Jim Parker**, **Trustees** of the **William Hall Trust** and **NDB**, **AA** and the **PC** to look at the area where a seating area is to be built at the Play Area for use by all residents. Lots of ideas were discussed re the size of the area, materials to be used and the type and number of benches. **NDB** and **AA** to look at various suppliers of benches and also find a builder to lay a level area to match the existing footpath. The **William Hall Trust** to be kept informed once design and equipment found.

9) CORRESPONDENCE

- NALC – High Court Judgement – Remote meetings
- A. Sherris – Support for Morley Carr Bowling Green
- K. Morley – Story Site – 4.05.2021 – Concrete Mixers working at site from 7.a.m.
- P. Hodgson – Pollution issues Picton Stell (6)
- N. Affleck, Environment Agency – Picton Stell – Pollution issues (4)
- John Stockhill/Martin Parker – Removal of sign on A67 blocking vision of 40mph sign.
- NALC – Reopening and reimagining your community buildings – Online event 23rd June, 2021

- CDALC – Councillor Training for new and returning Councillors
- Eventbrite – Ticket confirmation A Alton – Reopening and reimagining your community buildings
- Mark Green – Starting times for workers Story Site
- A McLee – Christmas Tree needing attention
- Emma Turnbull, SBC – Walk this May - National Walking Month & Mental Health Awareness.
- A. McLee – Damage to bridge over beck – PRW west of village – 419 099 -OS Landranger 93
- K. Morley – No reply from SBC re query working hours – Story Site
- J. Smith/PC Hampson – Burnt out car lay-by Forest Lane west of bridge.
- Keith Matthews, SBC – Local Authority Treescape fund (LATF)
- A. Alton – Northern Echo Report – Multi-million pound hole' in Stockton's pot hole budget
- NALC – Newsletter
- Keep Britain Tidy - Great British Spring Clean
- Rachel Winckles – Taylor Wimpey – Notification of Archaeological work St. Martins Way site.
- Town Clerk – Yarm Town Council – Issues re dog fouling within area
- NALC – Chief Executives Bulletin.
- Mayor’s Office – Election of new Mayor SBC – Councillor Kevin Faulks – Deputy Mayor – Councillor Ross Patterson
- A. Smuk (via NDB) – Reply to questions re ditches and pipe work.

10) FINANCE MATTERS

a) Payments

Mrs R Mazonas

Salary May, 2021	£300.48	
Broadband April, 2021	£21.30	
NALC – Booking – A Alton	£38.93	<u>£360.71</u>
BHIB Insurance		£966.04

1.06.2021 – 31.05.2022

N. DeBadgecoe

Gift Long Term Retiring Parish Councillor		£25.00
C. BROWN		£50.52

Material Costs Repair Work to

Fence at corner of Play Area and Church

Approved by NDB paid pre meeting

CLCA		£281.44
------	--	---------

Membership Fees 2021 -2022

Approved by NDB paid pre meeting

b) Accounts Update

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

11) VILLAGE ISSUES

a) Picton Stell Pollution : This matter still remains under investigation by the Environment Agency but several residents continue to monitor.

b) Burnt Out Car: **JS** was able to report that the car has now been removed.

c) Damage to PROW Bridge: The PC had reported and JS indicated to the meeting that she would go along and view the damage.

12) ROAD SAFETY MATTERS

- **JS** questioned the meeting re the 2 flag poles on the grass verge outside the exit from the Story site and that the poles obstructed the site lines from the site The hedge to the south and grass verge also needs to be kept trimmed back as these also obstruct vision.
- It was reported to the meeting that the Parish Council had been informed that Forest Lane is to be resurfaced within the next 18 months.

13) MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION AT NEXT MONTHS MEETING

Questionnaire

Boundary Changes

Grass cutting equipment and hedge trimming

14) MEETING DATES

No date set as information due at the end of the month re Face to Face meetings or the continuation of remote meetings. If Face to Face meetings resume a booking needs to be organised with A. Alton as to the availability of a room and date available in which to hold the meeting at Kirklevington Memorial Hall. PC to inform of date and venue of meeting once organised.

***NDB** ended the meeting by presenting **Mr.Graham Tebbs** with a gift and personally thanked him from all the members of the Parish Council for all the support and hard work that he had contributed over the many years as a Parish Councillor. **NDB** confirmed that Graham was always welcome to join our meetings and that his expert services may still be called upon when needed.*

Circulation: Parish Councillors Mr N. DeBadgecoe (Chair), Mr D. Hadfield (Vice Chair), Mrs J. Beaumont, Mrs. J. Smith, Mrs P. Deepak, Miss R. Grainger, Mr. A. Alton

Borough Councillors Mr. A. Sherris Mrs J Whitehill, Mr D Fagan

Mayor of the Tees Valley: Mr B Houchen, Mr. Matt Vickers MP,

PC Andrew Hampson, Engagement Team, PCSO Graham Mottram

Post approval: Stockton Borough Council Monitoring Officer – Margaret Waggott

Email: kirklevingtonparishcouncil@yahoo.co.uk

Website: www.kirkcommunity.co.uk