

## **ULGHAM PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held in the Women's Institute Hall on Monday 19 December 2022**

Councillor J Scott (in the Chair)

Councillors G Brown, Mrs L Newman, Mrs H Shaw and Mrs D Wilson

An apology for absence was received from County Councillor D Towns

Also in attendance 2 parishioners

#### **48/22 QUESTIONS FROM PARISHIONERS**

A resident reported that his complaint to the Local Government Ombudsman in relation to a recent planning issue was almost complete.

A resident asked about the possibility of obtaining a grit bin for Woodlands. He was advised that these could be requested via the NCC website. The request was carried out with the resident at the end of the meeting.

#### **49/22 MINUTES**

Members were asked to approve the notes of the Parish Council meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> November 2022.

RESOLVED – The minutes be approved.

#### **50/22 CORRESPONDENCE**

##### **(i) NCC Planning Enforcement Strategy**

A copy of the above document had been received and was currently being circulated to Councillors for consideration. The deadline for comments had originally been 6 January 2023 but this had been extended to the 20 January.

##### **(ii) Planning application 22/04589/FUL – 27 The Croft, Ulgham, proposed rear extension, garage conversion and reconfiguration**

Details of this application had been received on 14 December. The Clerk provided copies of the plans for Councillors and reported that the deadline for comments was 4 January 2023.

## **51/22 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES**

### **(i) Ulgham Village Committee**

Councillor Mrs Shaw reported that the Christmas Rendezvous was being held on Wednesday 21 December and everyone was welcome to attend.

The UVA AGM would be held on Tuesday 24 January at 7.00 p.m.

Councillor Mrs Shaw apologised about the newsletter for this month. The style and cost had been trialled and unfortunately it had not been possible to complete anything for this week. The newsletter would be reviewed at the UVA meeting in January. It was likely that a leaflet would be sent out in January that could be done in house listing events in January and February.

There appeared to be a general feeling that residents wanted a monthly newsletter.

## **52/22 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

It was noted that the following accounts were now due for payment:

- (a) Clerk, December 22 salary, mileage, - £154.66
- (b) HMRC – PAYE payment, Clerk - £91.60
- (c) NCC – cost for additional grass cuts - £202.52

## **53/22 REPORTS FROM CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS**

Councillor Scott reported that he had attended a Wind Farm meeting recently. Four bids for funding had been considered totalling £31,000. Three were agreed and one organisation was asked for more detail. This had been provided by the applicant. He could not share details of the grants yet as he was unsure whether the organisations had been advised.

He reported that the chair of the Wind Farm Committee would be changing in April 2023. A new chair would be elected for three years.

He had a copy of the annual handbook produced by the Community Foundation available to read if anyone was interested,

Councillor Brown reported on work that was being carried out to check the drains in the village. He had spent some time with the operatives recently which was interesting. The work was being carried out on behalf of Northumbrian Water.

Councillor Mrs Shaw reported that she had heard that Widdrington Village PC were concerned about an application for a caravan park that had been granted permission. The company was planning to locate a number of static caravans on the site of the former Junction public house.

## **54/22 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting would be held on Monday 16 January 2023 in the WI Hall, Ulgham at 7.00 p.m.