



Bishop Middleham Parish Council

Reply to,
28 White House Drive,
Sedgefield,
Stockton-on-Tees.
TS21 3BX
Tel. No. 01740 620042

Conserving our Past: Building Our Future

Chairman Cllr. Harvey Neve

Minutes of a meeting of Bishop Middleham Parish Council held Wednesday 8th
December 2021, in Bishop Middleham Village Hall.

Present: - Cllrs. G. Turner (Vice Chairman), J. Brownlee, V. Cooke, M. MacCallam,
E. Peeke, A. Shaw, G. Jacobs.

Parish Clerk J. Robinson

Apologies: - Cllrs. H. Neve, D. Hardy.

1 member of the public was present.

108.0/21 Notice of meeting: - It was moved by Cllr. G. Turner that the meeting be
opened.

109.0/21 Declarations of Interest – none required.

110.0/21 Member Dispensation – none required.

111.0/21 Public Participation: -There was no public participation.

112.0/21 County Councillor Report

Cllr. E. Peeke reported on the following: -

- a. She referred to NEPO and the benefits from membership. Parish Clerk advised Council has already expressed an interest to be an associate member.
- b. She is now a member of the Local Bus Board and happy to report back to both AAP and Parish Council on any issues raised at the meeting and to similarly take back any issues to the Board regarding local services.
- c. Neighbourhood Budget Funding has been allocated to the play project and the village hall for a boiler and re-decoration
- d. She advised DCC officers are still looking into the flooding issue, and she will advise the Council on any information she receives
- e. A brief discussion took place regarding the local quarry.

113.0/21 Minutes of monthly meeting held 10th November 2021

Resolved: - It was proposed Cllr. M. MacCallam seconded Cllr. G. Turner and carried to adopt the minutes as a true record and endorse recommendations within.

114.0/21 Action Plan

The following matters were raised: -

- a. Cllr. V.Cooke agreed to chase up the football team to complete grant application form for the January 2022 meeting. It was agreed to agenda each month as a standing issue grant applications by Parish groups
- b. Members noted the Palmer Terrace Planning application had been approved
- c. It was agreed from January environmental issues across the Parish be a standing item on all Council Agendas.
- d. Highways have agreed to attend the February Council meeting to discuss outstanding issues
- e. DCC traffic management have replied regarding the bus stop on Hawthorne Terrace advising they had reviewed the situation in August 2021 and there had been no material change in circumstances for them to alter their decision in respect of this bus stop. It was agreed to write to DCC requesting they meet directly with the resident to discuss the August assessment results. A FOI to be submitted to DCC requesting how many unmarked bus stops there are within the County.
- f. AAP request for update on wildlife area project and the spending of Neighbourhood Budget for 2020/21. Clerk has updated DCC on current situation and the project will commence as soon as practicable.
- g. AAP expression of interest has been submitted.
- h. Cllr. M. MacCallam advised the estimate cost for the Queens Platinum trees will be in the region of £1000. Clerk agreed to apply to DCC for a £250 Tree week grant towards the cost. Cllr. M. MacCallum also advised trial bore holes need to be undertaken on the land at the Brewery Field to ensure it is suitable for the planting. S.E. Landscapes to be asked to undertake this.

115.0/21 Firework Display 2022

The Clerk advised he had booked Rainbow Fireworks for Friday 4th November 2022 and Turner Fairground rides for the event. The indications are the display will be 10% increase on this year's fee.

116.0/21 Correspondence

Nil

117.0/21 Christmas events

It was noted the Carol service/light switch on event had been cancelled on the 5th December due to the inclement weather. It has been rescheduled for Sunday 12th December. It was agreed to commence setting up for the event at 2pm and the event to begin 4pm. It was agreed Mrs. Y. Houston be asked to turn on the lights as a thank you and recognition of her 25 years' service to the village hall.

The Clerk advised S.E. Landscapes have advised 10 new light motifs will need to be replaced and DCC are now asking for all lamp posts to be stressed tested and formal application forms to be submitted for each motif. It was agreed to discuss this matter at the January 2022 meeting.

.

118.0/21 Planning Applications

No current applications were noted.

119.0/21 Monthly Transactions

Monthly reconciliation agreed.

120.0/21 Member Sharing

Cllr. V.Cooke raised the issue of gulley cleaning on High Road

121.0/21 Date of next meeting

Wednesday 12th January 2022 7.00pm in Bishop Middleham Village Hall.

The meeting closed 8.00 pm

Signed: -

Cllr. H. Neve, Chairman.

12th January 2022