

GLANTON PARISH COUNCIL

GLANTON PARISH COUNCIL met on 25 March 2019 at 7.00pm in The Memorial Hall, Glanton.

Present:

Parish Councillors Mrs Susan Collingwood-Cameron, Joe Easton, Iain Hedley, Jon Radgick (Chairman in the Chair) and Mrs Susan Rogers

SE Rickitt – Clerk

1: Introduction

1.1 Welcome, apologies for absence and declarations of interest/grant of any dispensations and possible co-option

Apologies were noted from Councillors Angus Collingwood-Cameron, John Guiry and John Lang.

Councillor Hedley declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in Planning Application 19/00609/FUL - 3 Mount View Glanton NE66 4AZ - Two storey side extension and enlarged single storey rear extension – see item 2.2.1 below

1.2 Public Questions

There were no members of the public present.

1.3 Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 28 January 2019 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

1.4 An update on matters arising from the minutes of 28 January 2019

1.4.1 The advance Give Way warning sign was still down, but the faulty lid on the West Turnpike salt bin been repaired. **Action SER**

1.4.2 No further correspondence had been received regarding funding for the warning signs on the Powburn Road

2: Items for discussion and potential decisions

2.1 Reports from the County Councillor and the Police

2.1.1 No report from the County Councillor had been received by the time of the meeting.

2.1.2 Following the recent incident in Glanton, Northumbria Police had sent the following message which was gratefully noted by the Council

Following the recent incident at South View Glanton I would like to pass on our appreciation for all the help and assistance we received from the residents of Glanton. I would like our thanks to be passed onto all parish councillors and residents. Following this incident, a male was charged with offences and appeared in court. The case continues.

I appreciate that this incident caused a huge amount of inconvenience for residents who had to leave their homes overnight and that the cordons which were in place prevented the free movement of residents for a period of time. I am aware that the increase in vehicles/officers/noise and overnight activity added to the inconvenience for residents.

I would like to thank all those residents who made us all feel welcome. We were approached by numerous residents offering refreshments and use of their bathroom facilities.

The Queens Head public house also offered bathroom facilities and drinks to all attending staff. I know from speaking to officers who normally work elsewhere in the Northumbria Police area and members of other agencies they all remarked on how welcoming the residents were last week.

Thank you

2.2 Planning

2.2.1 19/00609/FUL - 3 Mount View Glanton NE66 4AZ - Two storey side extension and enlarged single storey rear extension – There was no discussion on this application as the Council were informed that it has been withdrawn.

2.2.2 The Council confirmed it had no objection to 19/00197/FUL - Land West of Heather Cottage Front Street Glanton - Construction of two new dwellinghouses and one double garage – where comments were required before the date of this meeting.

2.2.3 The Council confirmed the actions of the clerk, following consultation with Councillors, in submitting a note of support for the Northumberland & Newcastle Society's objections to the wind-farm policies in the draft Local Plan.

2.2.4 There was no further information to report on the play area on the site of St Peter's Church

2.3 A Fingerpost Sign

Councillor Mrs Susan Rogers reported that the replacement sign is to be erected in the near future.

2.4 Land to the rear of Mount View, Glanton

2.4.1 The County Council had asked if the Parish Council was interested in leasing the vacant land to the rear of Mount View. The site is shown on a plan attached to the minutes.

2.4.2 The Council noted that the site only has footpath access and has been used for dumping waste leading to its current poor condition It is shaded and gets little light making potential use as allotments difficult.

2.4.3 Following debate, the Council agreed to thank the County Council for offering the land to the Parish Council but to decline the offer of a lease. **Action SER**

2.5 The Powburn Road Junction

2.5.1 All Councillors had received an email from a parishioner following damage to a resident's car caused by a vehicle failing to negotiate the bend in a safe manner.

2.5.2 The Council is aware of continuing concerns about the inappropriate speed of traffic but considered that altering the priority might cause more problems.

2.5.3 The Council therefore agreed to ask the Highways Dept. to consider what additional safety measures might be introduced to alleviate residents' concerns. **Action SER**

3: Items for Information

3.1 Forthcoming Village activities

Nothing was reported to the meeting.

3.2 Details of any meetings attended by Councillors or the clerk

3.2.1 The Chairman and Councillor Hedley had attended the recent cluster meeting. Councillor Sanderson, the County Council's Cabinet Member responsible for highways, had given a presentation on the increased spending on rural roads, welcomed by those present. There was no substantive new information on Rothbury Hospital.

3.2.2 Councillor Hedley and the clerk also reported on the recent NALC County Committee where a report had been received on a presentation by the new Director of Planning. NALC envisaged sending a note to Member Councils later in the week.

3.3 Correspondence received

The clerk is circulating anything of apparent importance by email.

4: Administration

4.1 To note the current accounts for 2018/2019 and to authorise any payments

The accounts were noted [A copy is attached to the signed minutes] and the following BACS payments authorised

>HMRC – PAYE Q4 - £30.00

>Glanton Memorial Hall – Hire charges - £100.00

4.2 Draft final accounts for 2018/2019

Subject to the above payments being initiated prior to 31 March, the draft final accounts were approved.

4.3 Details of items Councillors wished to raise at the next meeting

Councillor Mrs Rogers drew attention to the national Countryside Clean-up weekend on 6& 7 April. Whilst the Council felt there was insufficient time to organise formal participation this year, Councillors wholeheartedly supported the concept and the Chairman will place a note in the Parish Newsletter asking volunteers to step forward. **Action JR**

4.4 Date of Next Meetings

The Council noted the schedule of forthcoming meetings as

- Monday 20 May 2019 – preceded by the Annual Parish Meeting – and brought forward because of the Bank Holiday
- Monday 29 July 2019
- Monday 23 September 2019
- Monday 25 November 2019

Confirmed as a true record

and signed by the Chairman

Date