

## GLANTON PARISH COUNCIL

GLANTON PARISH COUNCIL met on 30 September 2019 at 7.00pm in The Memorial Hall, Glanton.

### Present:

Parish Councillors Mrs Susan Collingwood-Cameron, Jerry Dronsfield, John Guiry, 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 for absence had been given by Cllr Angus Collingwood-Cameron.

#### **1.2 Public Questions**

There were no questions posed.

#### **1.3 Minutes of the previous meeting**

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 29 July 2019 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

#### **1.4 An update on matters arising from the minutes of 29 July 2019**

1.4.1 The advance Give Way warning sign was still down.**Action SER**

1.4.2 The vegetation at the bus stop has been cut back.

1.4.3 The Chairman was pleased to report that four couples had volunteered to be litter pickers and thanked all those involved.

### **2: Items for discussion and potential decisions**

#### **2.1 Reports from the County Councillor and the Police**

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

#### **2.2 Planning**

2.2.1 The Council raised no concerns over *Application 19/03729/TREECA – Barn Owl House, 4 Playwell Road –To fell one conifer*

2.2.2 The forthcoming examination of the draft Northumberland Local Plan was noted.

## **2.3 The future of Rothbury Community Hospital**

Unfortunately; no Councillor had been able to attend the meeting on Rothbury Cottage Hospital held the previous week, but the Council noted media reports indicating the unit was to be retained.

## **2.4 A Replacement Village Flag**

Councillor Dronsfield had obtained quotes but after discussion it was agreed that the Chairman would speak to John Swanson as the quoted sums did not include the cost of artwork and therefore the original provider was likely to be as competitive. It was agreed that a smaller flag should be obtained (229 cm x 114 cm) as this should reduce damage from nearby trees from Parish Council funds.

**Action JR**

## **2.5 Playwell Road**

Councillors agreed to request resurfacing at the portion leading to The Causeway as the deterioration meant it was very noisy especially when used by larger vehicles. It was also noted that the speed surveys at the West Turnpike junction were still awaited and it was asked that NCC be asked to include the types of vehicle in the survey as concern was expressed at the speed of delivery vehicles.

**Action SER**

## **2.6 Projects for the Future**

The Council agreed to seek parishioners' views on potential projects which might be carried out in the future by the Council and/or the community. The Chairman will write a piece for the next newsletter. **Action JR**

## **3: Items for Information**

### **3.1 Forthcoming Village activities**

The Village Show on Saturday 10 August 2019 had to be cancelled because of the appalling weather. There had been a successful jazz evening in the Memorial Hall which was being repeated at the end of October.

### **3.2 Details of any meetings attended by Councillors or the clerk**

There had been a cluster meeting earlier in September but no representative from the Council had been able to attend. The clerk gave a brief report on the NALC AGM held on 28 September.

### **3.3 Correspondence received**

3.3.1 The Western Front Association had donated a "Tribute to the Fallen, 1914-1920" for which the Council was very grateful. It was agreed this should be placed in the library in the village shop.

3.3.2 The Clerk provided other material for Councillors.

#### **4: Administration**

##### **4.1 To note the current accounts for 2019/2020 and to authorise any payments**

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

- Northumberland County Council – Insurance - £187.78 (retrospective)
- Cllr Radgick – Website Annual Fee - £57.60
- HMRC – PAYE Q2 - £30.00

##### **4.2 Registration as a Data Controller**

The Council agreed to register with the Information Commissioner’s Office and to pay by direct debit to obtain the discounted annual fee of £35.00. **Action SER**

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

4.3.1 The Chairman reported letters from Northern Powergrid indicating that supply cables at West Turnpike were to be placed underground in the early part of 2020, a move welcomed by the Council

4.3.2 The clerk noted that one streetlight seemed to have not been changed to an LED light and was asked to report this. **Action SER**

##### **4.4 Date of Next Meetings**

The Council agreed the schedule of forthcoming meetings as

- Monday 25 November 2019
- Monday 27 January 2020
- Monday 30 March 2020
- Monday 18 May 2020 – This has been brought forward by one week as Monday 25 May is a Bank Holiday. The other option would be to hold it on Monday 1 June 2020. In any event this would be the Annual Parish Council Meeting and preceded by the Annual Parish Meeting
- Monday 27 July 2020

Confirmed as a true record

and signed by the Chairman .....

Date .....