GLANTON PARISH COUNCIL

A Meeting of Glanton Parish Council was held on Monday 25th July 2011 at 7.00pm in the Memorial Hall. The following councilors were present: Mr J Easton, Mr G Dodds, Mr J Lang, Mr N Dunn & Mr J Radgick (Chairman).

Members of Public: Mr & Mrs Meikle and Mr M Mason

- Public Question: Mr Meikle asked if the Parish Council would support the village show and write to the Chairman of Northumberland County Council questioning the policy relating to road signs and the aggressive approach made by the enforcement officer to the show secretary. The meeting agreed that the Chairman should write on the Council's behalf.
- **Apologies for Absence**: Mrs S Rogers, Mr J Guiry, Mrs S Collingwood-Cameron & Mr A Collingwood-Cameron.
- 3 Declaration of Interest: Mr G Dodds Agenda Item 8 Planning application Mr N Dunn.

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- 4 Minutes of Last Meeting: The minutes of the last meeting were agreed and signed.
- 5 Matters Arising:
 - Audit Clerk reported that all relevant paper work had been completed and returned to the Auditors.
 - First Responders Defibrillator Unit Mr Mason confirmed that the unit had been ordered and paid for and was due to be delivered soon.
- **Election of Vice-Chairman:** Mr Easton proposed that Mr A Collingwood-Cameron be elected Vice-Chairman. It was confirmed that although not present he had agreed to be a candidate for the post. The proposal was seconded by Mr Dunn and agreed by the meeting.
- Speeding: The speeding survey had been circulated with the agenda. Mr Radgick reported that from the data received the issue of speeding was not serious enough for the highways authority to take any action. A mini roundabout had been suggested by Mr Radgick at the Front Street/West Turnpike Road junction, but more information and village opinion needed to be sought. A request for suggestions and opinions will be put on website and in the newsletter requesting feedback.
- 8 NALC Annual Subscription: The Annual subscription of £64.75 was approved to continue the Council's membership for the year 2011/12 which includes a payment of £15.50 for the NALC magazine an increase of £1.84 on last year.
- **Transfer of Services:** The Chairman, Clerk and Mr Dunn met with members of NCC to discuss the transfer of services to the Parish Council from the 1st April 2012. The three village seats which we have repaired this year and the bus shelter (which will be repaired prior to handover), will become the Parish's responsibility, as will replacement of rubbish bins, though NCC will continue to empty them. Grass cutting will continue to be carried out by NCC but we may have to pay a small amount to have the village green cut, this to be confirmed at a later date.

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10 Updates on the Parish Plan:

- Wall on the south side of The Causeway this matter is in the hands of the owner, no further action needed by the Parish Council.
- Care in the Community Mr Dunn reported that 20 plus people are regularly attending the coffee mornings, Bell View's funding is coming to an end and ways to carry them on are being investigated. The Parish Council agreed to consider funding the hall hire should volunteers organize the events.

11 Planning Applications:

Ref No: 11/00299/FUL – Mr N Dunn Alndale Hall Whittingham Road Glanton ALNWICK NE66 4AS. Demolition of existing hall building and construction of new dwelling. **Plans Passed.**

Ref No: 11/00673/CON – Mr N Dunn Alndale Hall Whittingham Road Glanton ALNWICK NE66 4AS. Demolition of Alndale Hall. Mr Radgick had sent an e-mail supporting the application. Plans Passed. Ref No: 11/000843/FUL – Mr & Mrs Bromly Ducat Cottage 6A The Causeway Glanton ALNWICK NE66 4AY. Rear extension to form studio. No Objections . Plans Passed .

Ref No: 11/01167/ADE - Mr & Mrs Hutchison Queens Head Hotel Glanton ALNWICK NE66 Signs on A697.

Ref No:11/01388/LBC – Mr J Radgick Whickham House 4 The Causeway Glanton ALNWICK NE66 4AY. Porch

Ref No: 11/01506/FUL – Mr J Radgick Whickham House 4 The Causeway Glanton ALNWICK NE66 4AY. Porch.

- Meetings attended: Mr Dunn reported that funding for parish forums was coming to an end, and the existing Rothbury area forum would continue only if funding was forthcoming from the participating parishes. The meeting agreed that if the amount requested was £20 or less we would contribute but anything more than that was unlikely to give good value.
 - The licensing of mobile traders has been passed and starts on the 22nd August 2011 with fees starting at £300 per year. Mr Radgick requested the Parish Council's support for him pursing the matter of the mobile trading license fee as he feared these costs will put affect the viability of the traders who visit Glanton.
- **Finance:** The finance report was noted.
- Village activities: Village Show Saturday 13th August, Barn Dance organized by Village Hall Committee on show night with fish & chip van supper.
 Queens Head Leek Club 27th August Wayside Stall and Leek Show.
 17th & 18th September Village Hall Theatre Company production 'Tartuffe' on 17th September
- Any other business: Linda Lazenby announced that after 23 years in the post as Parish Council Clerk she had decided to retire. The Council thanked her and congratulated her on such an impressive long service record. The matter of a replacement would be debated at the next meeting.
- Date of the next meeting: the next meeting of Glanton Parish Council will be held on MONDAY 26th SEPTEMBER 2011 in the Memorial Hall at 7.00pm.

As there was no further business the meeting closed at 8.00pm.