

GLANTON PARISH COUNCIL

GLANTON PARISH COUNCIL met on 26 November 2018 at 7.00pm in The Memorial Hall, Glanton.

Present:

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

1: Introduction

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

SE Rickitt – Clerk - had presented his apologies.

1.2 Public Questions

The PC was asked if there were any plans to replace the cherry tree that had been felled on the bank. JR stated that this had already been done and a small spruce had been planted with the intention of it becoming the village Christmas Tree.

There was a request that the West Turnpike pavement was repaired. JR said that the Council had been asked but he did not feel that the work would be done as it is a very low priority.

There are two outdoor lights by the church to light the way for the congregation. These are currently being revamped and it was wondered if it would be of use to the village if they were on a timer so on when required. All agreed and the church was thanked for this.

1.3 Minutes of the previous meetings

The minutes of the previous Council Meeting held on 30 July 2018 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

NB: There was no meeting in September 2018

1.4 An update on matters arising from the minutes of 30 July

1.4.1 Drains on the Powburn Road – remedial work has been carried out.

1.4.2 Footpath to Whittingham – The clearance and the diversion order were noted. SR informed the PC that the southern section of the path was also in good order.

1.4.3 The Causeway Street Sign – Has been replaced.

1.4.4 The Oak Avenue Give Way Sign – Has not yet been replaced.

1.4.5 The Repairs to the lid of the salt bin on West Turnpike – Have not been carried out.

1.4.6 Timber Extraction Routes – Information had been circulated after the previous meeting and no further action is to be taken by the Parish Council.

1.4.7 Warning Signs on the Powburn Road – A request for a contribution towards the cost is still awaited. The signs are in place.

2: Items for discussion and potential decisions

2.1 Reports from the County Councillor and the Police

No reports had been received by the time of the meeting.

2.2 Planning

2.2.1 There were no current applications to consider

2.2.2 The Former St Peter's Church – The owner wishes to wait the eventual sale of the remainder of the site before commencing the legal work for a transfer to the Parish Council.

Part of the wall has collapsed. It belongs to the Steel family and they are well aware of it.

2.3 A Fingerpost Sign

There was no further information to report regarding the sign at the Playwell Road Junction.

2.4 Commemoration of the end of the First World War

A successful Commemoration event had been held within the Memorial Hall which was very well attended, and the Council expressed its thanks for those involved.

2.5 The Christmas Tree

2.5.1 JR reported that it was now proving difficult to source a tree for free. His contact in the Forestry Commission had sadly died and the new person in charge was not so well disposed to community needs. A commercial provider had quoted £600 which was unacceptable. John Swanson was going to have another look to see if he had anything suitable. If not, the lights could be draped down the bank.

3: Items for Information

3.1 Forthcoming Village activities

Councillor Easton reported that the Bottle Bingo would take place on 7th December.

3.2 Details of any meetings attended by Councillors or the clerk

There had been a cluster meeting on 6 September 2018 attended by Councillor Hedley, albeit in his capacity as a County Council Officer. There was nothing that affected Glanton.

SR had attended a meeting about problem dog fouling, which she felt was very relevant given the recent complaints at the east end of the village. She reported that you can get a Public Spaces Protection Order or a Community Protection Order against repeat offenders, even the owner of roaming dogs. It was felt that roaming dogs were the main problem in the village but no-one had yet identified the problem dog/s and hence owner/s. JR offered to contact the Council Dog Warden to see how this could be best taken forward.

3.3 Correspondence received

None drawn to the attention of the Council

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 payments authorised

- > HMRC – PAYE Q2 and Q3 - £30.00 each
- > Councillor Radgick – Website costs - £57.60

- > Glanton Memorial Hall – Grant - £200.00
- > Friends of Whittingham Burial Ground - £200.00

4.2 Budget and Precept for 2019/2020

4.2.1 The Council considered a report from the clerk. [A copy is attached to the signed minutes]

4.2.2 The Council resolved to set the following budget for 2019/2020

General Fund Expenditure Item and Number	Budget 2019/2020
Clerks Costs including travel [1]	720.00
Misc. Admin (Postage, etc.) [2]	100.00
Insurance [3]	200.00
Legal /Audit /Subscriptions [4]	135.00
Maintenance and Planting [5]	400.00
Hall Hire [6]	120.00
Support Payments [7]	400.00
Communications [8]	120.00
Total	2195.00
Income From Precept	2195.00
Balance from Reserves (negative is payment into reserves)	0.00

4.2.3 The Council resolved to set a precept for 2019/2020 of £2195.00 [Two Thousand One Hundred and Ninety Five Pounds]

SR asked if the Council was still cutting the bank in the winter to help the wild flowers, and if they weren't, could the PC fund a winter cut? JR will enquire with the Council to see if this is in the winter programme or if it has dropped off. If not, a cut will be arranged probably using a hedge cutter.

4.3 Details of Items Councillors wish to raise at the next meeting

4.3.1 SR stated that the historic Glanton PC minutes were not available to view at Woodhorne and enquired of their whereabouts. JR responded that all the minutes were stored in the Memorial Hall and were available to inspect if anybody wished to do so.

4.5 Date of Next Meeting

The Council noted the schedule of forthcoming meetings as

- Monday 28 January 2019
- Monday 25 March 2019
- Monday 20 May 2019 – preceded by the Annual Parish Meeting – and brought forward because of the Bank Holiday

Confirmed as a true record

and signed by the Chairman

Date

