

**Minutes of a Meeting of Carham Parish Council held in St Cuthbert's Church, Carham on
Tuesday 11 September 2018**

- 026 **Present:** Cllrs Ms V Poland, Mr P Feerick, Mr W Potts, Councillor A Murray and Mrs A Changleng (Clerk) in attendance.
- 027 **Apologies:** Cllrs Mrs A Lauder and Mr J Jobson
- 028 **Chair's Welcome:** Cllr Mrs V Poland chaired the meeting and welcomed Councillors, Janet Chubb and John Court to the meeting.
- 029 **Declarations of Interest:** None.
- 030 **Parishioners' Questions:** Janet Chubb gave a detailed report on the PROW walk which took place on Sunday 22 July. Seven people walked three footpaths between Wark village and the Duddo Burn. Some difficulties were encountered and these have been reported to NCC. Janet is meeting with Philip Bradley on 19 September to survey Piperdean Lane. A walk on this Bridleway is being planned for Sunday 21 October. Janet was thanked for her enthusiasm in carrying out these worthwhile surveys and walks which may encourage NCC and landowners to keep PROWs accessible to all walkers.
- 031 **Minutes** of the meeting on 10 July were approved as read and signed.
- 032 **Matters Arising:** Councillor Murray will make further enquiries about the street light 15CC on the unadopted road TD12 4RE. The spot marked on the map received from NCC (whose operative confirmed it is not on site) is not correct. 15CC is sited on the unadopted road but the Clerk was informed by a resident that he had asked for the light to be turned off.
- Councillors have no other priorities for the 2019/20 Local Transport Plan. A safety concern at West Learmouth Junction is still included in LTP. The Clerk will ask NCC if a "bend" sign can be sited.
- 033 **Correspondence:** *circulated*
- NALC AGM on Saturday 29 September at Bardon Mill at 10.15am.
 - 5th Annual Town & Parish Council Conference on Thursday 11 October in County Hall.
 - Joint NCC & Town/Parish/Community Councils – North Northumberland Meeting on Thursday 18 October. Venue to be arranged.
 - Newcastle Airport Plan 2035 – Consultation.
 - NALC Briefings.
 - Pawston Bridge will be closed for repairs commencing on 10 September. Residents who will be affected have been informed by NCC.
- 034 **Planning Applications:** Conversion to dwelling house (Mr & Mrs Neil Cowans) and holiday cottages (Mr Matthew Lee) at West Moneylaws have been granted.
- 035 **Wark Play Park:** The Play Park Inspector's report was discussed and it was agreed to arrange a meeting with Alan Cater to arrange for necessary repairs to equipment, broken post and cut in fence.
- 036 **Carham Community Website:** Alan Cater will continue to manage the Carham Community Website until March 2019. Councillors agreed that Councillor V Poland will take over the management of the website as she has the experience and willingness to do so.

- 037 **Finance:** The audit has been completed with no issues being raised and councillors formally adopted the previous year's accounts. Approval was given to pay £50 for two play park inspector's reports. There is £2,623.53 in the bank.
- 038 **Highways:** The Clerk will report to NCC that the number 30 has fallen off the road sign in Wark and a sign post at the Loaning has fallen down. The finger posts (Berwick/Kelso/Howburn) on the lamp post at the telephone box in Wark have disappeared and the Clerk will find out if they can be recovered. Last year Cllr Feerick requested a grit bin for Sunilaws next to the steading. The Clerk will ask NCC if this is possible. Councillor Murray said NCC might fill it if it is accessible. He kindly offered to finance a new bin. The Clerk will also request mounds of grit for Wark Bank, Pressen, Shidlaw and Learmouth bends.
- 039 **Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday 13 November in St Cuthbert's Church, Carham at 6.30pm.**