

Minutes of meeting of Stamfordham Parish Council held in the Village Hall at 730pm on Thursday 18th January 2017

Those Present: Councillor Trevelyan Chairman, Councillor's Boylan, Wilson, O'Neil, Green
V Jones (Northumberland County Council), C Miller (Clerk), Mr J Freeman-Griffiths (member of the public)

1. Apologies for absence

Councillor Fitzpatrick

2. To confirm the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 16th November 2016

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed as a true record.

3. Matters arising from the Minutes, not otherwise on the Agenda

- Surgery had placed a notice immediately reminding patients that if they have a car with them, to ensure they are parked considerately and do not block pavements.

4. Planning Matters.

- **DETERMINATIONS:** 16/03691/FUL: Mr A Clayton, Harlow Hill Farmhouse – redevelop dilapidated farmhouse; 16/04276/FUL: Mr & Mrs J Freeman-Griffiths, 2 Grange Road – two storey extension, single storey rear extension, porch extension – PC had no objections to this plan; 16/04355/VARYCO: Mr B Boase, land at Harlow Hill, variation in order to allow different layout in Unit 1
- **GRANTED:** 16/03589/CDD, Stamfordham Primary School, single storey extension; 16/03146/FUL: Stamfordham Cricket Club, construction of new re-sited pavilion and storage container
- **NOTICE OF PRE APPLICATION:** 16/00486/PREAPP - Dalton Farm, replace old barn with new barn 'like for like'; construction of new lunge pen; replace old horse walker with new; placement of 4 small mobile field shelters in adjacent paddocks. At the present time PC have no objection, provided barn is the same height as existing.

Proposed 1800 homes for Ponteland

Not accepted as part of Central Government tranche of garden villages, however application is open for comment at the present time. Grave objections would involve traffic with large farm vehicles of particular concern, with the size of the development and narrow roads surrounding it, infrastructure would not be able to cope. Ponteland relief road, GP surgery, school and shops encompassed into the plans. V Jones to email Planning Application details and Clerk to circulate.

5. Financial Matters

- **Expenditure Authorisation:** Communicator 173 - £68.96; Friends of Stamfordham Play Park – donation of £1,000; Stamfordham Playing Field and Village Hall (donation to Pavilion) - £1,000; Communicator 174 - £59.96; Village Hall rental - £12.50
- **Bus Service 74:** Ponteland Town Council had asked if the PC would continue to fund, no confirmation of amount required as yet, PC had agreed to this.
- **Request for support** – Northumberland Theatre Company & Northumberland CVA – it was agreed not to support these organisations.
- **Northumberland County Council – additional grass cutting:** Additional grasscutting 2017-2018 would cost £744.27, and PC had agreed continuation of the service.
- **Acknowledgement of donation had been received from:** Age UK & Great North Air Ambulance

6. County Councillor's Report

- There was presently an inundation of Planning Application's; County Council budget of concern with vast reductions to be made, leading to restructuring of services, and there would be a slight increase in bulk waste and garden waste collection prices; Bus Service 74 becoming close to sustainability, however Cllr Trevelyan commented August figures did not show many passengers travelling to Stamfordham and Matfen.

7. Correspondence

Northumberland County Council – Archaeology in Northumberland & Winter Services

8. Annual Review of Risk Assessment

Document had been circulated to all and it was agreed it was acceptable for the current requirements of Stamfordham Parish Council.

9. Other business admitted by the Chairman as urgent

Impressive clean-up operation had been carried out by County Council within the village, involving use of wheelbarrows, brushes, shovels, road sweeper and gulley cleansing.

10. To confirm the date of the next meeting

The next meeting of Stamfordham Parish Council will be held on Thursday 16th March 2017 commencing 730pm in Stamfordham Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 810pm.