

HEDLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 11th November 2013 at 7.30pm in the 'Feathers Inn'

100. **Present:** Councillors R J Penny, F A Speak, J S Douglas and Mrs D M Watkins
Mrs M Senior (Clerk)
101. **Apologies for Absence** – County Councillor Colin Horncastle
102. **Declarations of Interest** – None
103. **Minutes** of the meeting held on 14th October 2013, having been circulated, were approved and signed as a true record,
104. **Matters Arising**
- a) **Memorial** – A verbal quote of £360 for 3 posts had been received. It was agreed to accept this and go ahead. Additional costs will be incurred for the rings and brass plaque.
 - b) **Water Leaks** – The water leaks were under control and the drains were now flowing.
 - c) **Tree survey** – Mrs D M Watkins to complete in due course.
105. **Correspondence**
All correspondence had been listed on the agenda and was noted. All relevant items had been distributed to all councillors.
- a) **Public Footpath Diversion No 12** – It was noted that the public footpath diversion was now in place. Problems were being experienced with horses kicking the fence in this area. Mrs F Speak to look into this and speak to the relevant people.
 - b) **Precept 2014/2015.** It was noted that Parish Councils needed to submit their precept requests by 17 January 2014.
 - c) **Northumberland County Council – Local Plan Core Strategy: Housing, Employment and Green Belt Preferred Options.** It was noted that the second part of the Preferred Options consultation will run from 31st October – 2nd January 2014.
106. **Finance**
- a) **Invoices for Payment.**
Mrs A Senior – Salary up to 31/10/13 – £100.00
HM Revenue & Customs – PAYE - £25.00
 - b) **Bank Balance.** The bank balance of £8107.69 as at 1 October 2013 was noted (Statement 22).
 - c) **Budget 2014/2015.** After discussion it was agreed to levy a precept of £4000.00 on Northumberland County Council for the year 2014/2015. A copy of the draft budget is attached to this minute.
 - d) **Accounts up to 31 October 2013.** Accounts up to 31 October 2013 were noted and accepted.
107. **Planning Applications** - None
108. **Grass Cutting** – Mr R J Penny advised that 3 contractors had been recommended. Quotes received from Barry Hutton and Rob Snaith. Each had quoted £150 per cut for next season. Mr R J Penny to arrange an initial tidy up of all areas.
It was noted that the unfinished repairs to the path were hazardous and the sharp edges needed to be chiselled to smooth the finish.
109. **Dry Stone Walling** – Nothing to report.
110. **State of the Roads**
- a) **Gliding Club** – It was noted that the junction to the gliding club appeared to have been repaired and the pot holes filled..
111. **East Tynedale Parish Councils Forum** – Nothing to report.
112. **Minerals Workings** –. It is now expected that the planning application will go to committee on 3 December 2013.

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113. **Mickley Moor Farm** – Nil.

114. **Village Green** – Nil

115. **Information Items**

All relevant items had been distributed to councillors by email.

- Clerks and Councils Direct – November 2013
- LCR – Autumn 2013

116. **Dog Fouling.** Mrs D M Watkins to check if extra signs are needed in the village. It was noted that one particular resident is not cleaning up after his dogs. It was agreed to write a polite letter pointing this out.

117. **Date and time of next meeting.** The next meeting is to be held on Monday 9 December 2013 at 7.30pm in The Feathers Inn.

Chairman _____

Date _____

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HEDLEY PARISH COUNCIL - BUDGET

ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2014	Actual 2010/ 11	Actual 2011/ 12	Budget 2012/13	Actual 2012/ 13	Budget 2013/14	To date 13/14	Estimated end of year 13/14	Draft budget 2014/ 15
Insurance	263	297	300	296	300	280	280	300
Handyman	282	0	500	0	500	0		500
Grass cutting	680	887	900	1,043	1,000	210	210	2300
Clerk Salary	984	1040	1,070	260	1,500	1610	2235	1500
Clerk Expenses	646	490	620	97	500	284	500	500
Audit Fees	141	144	144	60	120	24	24	25
Grants and donations		100	200	150	200	50	200	200
CPRE	29	29	30	29	30	29	29	30
NALC Subscription	51	50	53	53	60	53	53	60
Contingency			500	43	450	0	450	1000
Donations								
Election expenses								
Chairman expenses								
Walling								
Road signs / warning lights	80	180	0	0				
Village green	3,339	1,020	0	0		48	48	
Opencast opposition donation		200	0	0				200
Trees	28	111	0	0			100	
Website			0	0	50	0	50	50
Total	6,523	4,548	4,317	2,031	4,710	2,588	4179	6665
Precept	3,500	3,500	3,500	4,000	4,000	4,000		
Balance brought forward	4956	3043	1,995	1,995	6,247	6247		
Balance carried forward	3043	1995	6,247	6,247				