

Rochester with Byrness Parish Council

Tuesday 26 March, 2024 – 7.00pm

The meeting will be held at Byrness Village Hall

For details please contact the Clerk at rochesterwithbyrnesspc@gmail.com

AGENDA

1 Attendance:

2 Apologies:

3 Declaration of Interest:

4 Agreement of the minutes from the Parish Council meeting – 30 January, 2024:

5 Guest speaker – Oliver Hague & Alex MacLennan regarding gravel track progress

6 Opportunity for members of the public to raise matters:

7 Matters arising:

- a) Spring Town & Parish Council conference – Update
- b) NCC roadside signage at Byrness – Update, discussion & decision
- c) Woodland management in Byrness – Update, discussion & decision
- d) Burn erosion and willow management – Update, discussion & decision
- e) Byrness flooding incidents and slurry transportation from Byrness sewage plant – Update
- f) Byrness substation – Update
- g) Safety features on A68 for Byrness junctions – Update, discussion & decision
- h) Catcleugh lay-by, Bremenium Way drainage & Rochester road flooding – Update
- i) Speeding traffic through Rochester – Update
- j) Warm hubs and cornball at village halls – Update
- k) Rochester & Byrness defibrillators – Update
- l) Possible EV charging point in Rochester and Byrness – Update
- m) Smart meters in Rochester – Update
- n) Roadside gully clearance – Update
- o) Vote changes & election jobs – Update
- p) Emergency Plan development – Discussion & decision
- q) Proposal consultation for wildcat introduction in Kielder Forest – Update

8. Planning:

- a) There are no applications to consider at this meeting

9. Finance/accounts for payment:

- a) Parish finance update – Update
- b) The following payments presented for approval:-
 - M Chilvers (February & March, 2024) salary £376.28 & expenses
 - Payment of room hire at Byrness Village Hall on 26 March
 - Payment to London Hearts for 50:50 payment of defibrillator for Rochester Village Hall

10 Any Other Business: Date of next meeting – Tuesday 28 May, 2024 at Rochester Village Hall. This meeting will follow the Annual Parish Meeting, starting at 7:00pm.