

The provision of a footpath therefore would contribute to the National Transport Goals by:-

- supporting Economic Growth (supporting Tourism)
- promoting Equality of Opportunity (for pedestrians and people without transport)
- contributing to Better Safety, Security and Health
- improving the Quality of Life and a healthy Natural Environment

It is considered to be a Community Priority to avoid any future potentially serious injury!

Hospice Care

Clerk

As Hospice Care is not provided by the NHS, and bearing in mind the possible impending loss of Rothbury Community Hospital beds, it was agreed to contribute £25 to Hospice Care, North Northumberland. Proposed Mr C France, Seconded Mr S Whitfield

7. Items for Information

A letter from Northumberland County Council gave details of contacts with the Community Regeneration Team, following the creation of new Local Area Councils.

The contact for North Northumberland is Iain Hedley, iain.hedley@northumberland.gov.uk
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The Chairman requested a copy of this letter. (See attached/shown separately)

8. Correspondence received

9. Finance

The clerk was asked to change the bank instruction to an annual payment of £25 to the Northumberland and Newcastle Society.

Clerk

9.1 Financial report

See attached/shown separately

10. Planning

West Croft Hepple It was noted that, although the parish council had not objected to the application to modify the Section 106 agreement, Northumberland County Council had refused the application. The applicant has now appealed to the Secretary of State.

Hepple Parish Council did not wish to amend their previous comments.

East Hepple Woodstore. The Parish Councillors comments had been passed to the NCC Planning Department.

11. Meetings attended by Councillors or the clerk

Mr C France had attended the Northumberland National Parks AGM and the opening of The Sill on Hadrians Wall (<https://www.thesill.org.uk/visit/>).

Because of the drastic reduction in funding by the Government to National Parks, it will take a huge effort to make The Sill self funding within two years. Mr France encouraged as many people as possible to go, not only to support The Sill, but for an unforgettably stimulating experience.

12. Future Events

Parish Cluster meeting 14th September

Annual Town and Parish Conference, Thursday 5th October, 2017 - County Hall, Morpeth
Register from 2.30pm, Meeting starts 4pm

13. Any Other Business

The Chairman reported on the drainage work still to be done, specifically the drainage in the fields above the road at the bottom of the village. Mr J Walton had the matter in hand and was confident the work would be completed before the winter rains arrived.

14. Date of Next Meeting

Monday 6th November 2017 at 8pm in the Village Hall

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