Hepple Parish Council Ref 1902

Minutes of meeting of Hepple Parish Council held on Monday 18th February 2019 at 7pm in the Village Hall

Present: Mr J Hasson Chair

Mr C France Vice Chair

Mrs C Buckley Mr S Whitfield Mr W Woolley

Mr D McKechnie Clerk

1. Public Participation

No members of the public were present

2. Apologies for absence

All councillors were present - no apologies were needed

3. Declarations of interest/grant of dispensations or co-options

None

4. Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 12th November 2018 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

5. Matters arising

The chair reported that progress on recruiting a clerk was promising.

The clerk reported that, after enquiries had been made, it was unlikely that the number of councillors for Hepple Parish Council could be increased.

6. Items for Discussion and Potential Decisions

It was decided that no further donations should be approved at present. The clerk was asked to enquire:-

- why the requested footpath from Hepple Bridge to Kiln road had not been approved
- why the road surface north of Hepple Woodside bridge required £90000 expenditure
- when would the potholes between Hepple and Caistron be repaired Action Clerk

It was suggested that we should keep in mind the desirability of installing speed control lights should funding become available in the future.

7. Items for Information

The invitation to the Installation of the Reverend Canon John Sinclair was appreciated.

8. Correspondence received

Scam Mail, Roadside Litter Campaign and Provision of Foster Homes for Young People in Need from Barnardo's homes, were discussed and literature has been or will be posted on the notice board

9. Finance

The financial figures were noted and accepted.

The cheque for the Coquetdale Cluster was agreed and signed

10. Planning

The Northumberland Draft Local Plan (available on line to view and comment at www.northumberland.gov.uk/localplan) was discussed briefly. No matters directly concerning Hepple were apparent.

11. Meetings attended by Councillors or the clerk

ViceChair Mr France attended a Northumberland National Park meeting where the NNPA Governance, Rules and Objectives were discussed and reviewed.

12. Future Events

Coquetdale Parish Cluster meeting 7th March 7.30pm Dovecote Room, Jubilee Hall

13. Any Other Business

No other matters raised

14. Date of Next Meeting

Monday 13th May 2019 at 7.3pm in Hepple Village Hall at approximately 7.30pm. This will follow the Annual Meeting of Hepple Parish, commencing 7pm, and the subsequent Annual Meeting of Hepple Parish Council.

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