

TARSET AND GREYSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of ordinary meeting of the Parish Council held at 730pm on Wednesday 18th September 2024 in Lanehead Village Hall

Those Present Parish Cllr's J Morrison-Bell (Chairman) G Armstrong, D Capps, D McCracken, S Coxon

In Attendance C Miller (Clerk/Responsible Financial Officer), M Dickson-Green (B4RN), one member of the public

2024/66 Apologies for Absence
Parish Cllr W Morrison-Bell

2024/67 Declaration of Members Interests
J Morrison-Bell declared an interest in Northumberland National Park Authority.
S Coxon declared an interest in Agenda Item NO: **2024/70/03 Members to consider request for grant from Tarsset Village Hall towards running costs for Tarsset Diary.**

2024/68 Minutes of the previous meeting held 17th July 2024

RESOLVED:

Members agreed the minutes of the previous meeting were a true record.

2024/69 Public Participation

A resident wished to address the Parish Council regarding plans he had related to B4RN, and which would involve the Village Hall. The resident was advised to submit the proposals to the Village Hall Committee.

It was resolved to consider the following agenda item next due to B4RN attendance.

2024/78 B4RN Full fibre for rural Northumberland. Members to receive information.

M Dickson-Green advised B4RN were a not for profit organisation, providing broadband to areas not commercially viable. 80% of the project is funded via BDUK, the remaining 20% through local investment/shareholders. The Barrasford project had been completed, and Kirkwhelpington commenced. Response in the parish had been phenomenal, with a desktop exercise currently being carried out. The broadband service charge would be £33/month, with a connection fee of £60. Reductions were available to those on benefits. If person's had less than two years on an existing broadband contract, the B4RN service could run alongside at a reduced cost of £5/month.

2024/70 Financial Matters

2024/70/01 Payments. Members to approve the following payments:

PAYABLE TO	DESCRIPTION	TOTAL
Chris Mowatt Landscaping	Grasscutting 30/7/24	£43.20
	Grasscutting 20/8/24 & 26/8/24	£86.40
C Miller	Salary July, August 2024	£380.77
	Expenses	£62.29

RESOLVED:

Members approved the payments.

2024/70/02 Members to receive current financial statements

Members received the current financial statements.

2024/70/03 Members to consider request for grant from Tarset Village Hall towards running costs for Tarset Diary.

Tarset Village Hall had submitted a grant request of £500 towards running costs of the Diary. Reserves in hand at 18/7/24 were £359.69. The annual cost of the Diary being £1376 printing and postage and packing at £348.

RESOLVED:

Members approved a grant of £500, via the Power to provide information relating to matters affecting local government electors, Local Government Act 1972, Section 142.

2024/71/04 Members to consider grant request from Calvert Kielder.

Calvert Kielder were requesting a grant of £250 during their 40th anniversary year. The trust assist children with complex disabilities discover their potential through tailored outdoor activities.

RESOLVED:

Members agreed not to approve a grant.

2024/74/05 Members to consider grant request from Sport Tynedale.

Members considered the request from Sport Tynedale.

RESOLVED:

Members agreed not to approve a grant at the present time.

2024/70/06 Litter bins. Members to receive update on installation of wheelie bin at Greenhaugh car park.

County Council to install bin and fixings in due course.

2024/70/07 Noticeboard at Greenhaugh. Members to consider quote

Quote still awaited. Village hall decorator to re-paint the three current boards at village hall.

2024/70/08 Grant Awarding Policy. Members to consider adoption of draft Parish Council Grant Awarding Policy

D Capps had amended the draft policy and circulated to all members. Applicants having to produce financial statements, attend a Parish Council meeting and awarding grants to individuals were considered.

RESOLVED:

- 1.D Capps to amend policy and recirculate.
- 2.Clerk to provide legal reference that grants cannot be awarded to individual's.

2024/72 Planning

2024/72/01 Planning applications received

- 24NP0070: Greenhaugh Farm – anthracite steel framed and glazed ground floor rear extension to living room with terrace balcony above from main bedroom and stone plinth at base – no objections.
- 24NP0089: Burnbank Farm, Greenhaugh – construction of one detached dwelling – no objections.

2024/73 Orchard and Car Park

2024/73/01 Warning signage. Members to receive update, slippery path signage.

Warning signage had been purchased.

RESOLVED:

D Mcracken to organise placement of signage.

2024/73/02 Step repair. Members to consider quotation.

G Liddle had arranged to meet contractor on site to discuss works required.

RESOLVED:

Clerk to request update from G Liddle.

2024/73/03 Fence and gate. Members to receive update on fence removal.

RESOLVED:

- 1.Clerk to request update from G Liddle regarding timescale for fence removal.
- 2.Clerk to contact contractor regarding annual topping works in Orchard which were required as soon as possible.

2024/74 Reports

Enforcement matters were currently being discussed at Northumberland National Park Authority Meeting(s).

2024/75 Highway Matters

2024/75/01 To consider highway and drainage issues in the parish

There were no current highway and drainage issues in the parish. Item to be removed from agenda.

2024/75/02 Northumberland County Council Local Transport Plan Requests 2025-2026. Members to consider areas for inclusion.

It was resolved to retain the requests of 1. Resurfacing road to Bower; 2. Resurfacing on road to High Green.

It was reported that the road sign near to Comb becomes hidden when shrubbery is overgrown, and with traffic from High Green during school times, problems can occur.

RESOLVED:

- 1.Clerk to submit LTP 2025-2026 requests – resurfacing road to Bower; resurfacing on road to High Green.
- 2.Clerk to request signage be moved via County Council Highways. D Capps to provide photographic evidence.

2024/75/03 Verge cutting within the parish. Members to receive update regarding overgrown shrubbery

Matters reported at the last Parish Council meeting had been resolved.

2024/75/04 Request to County Council to review gritting route. Members to receive update

No response had been received from County Council regarding extending the gritting route past Diamond Cottage, Clerk having contacted the relevant Officer several times.

RESOLVED:

Clerk to contact County Cllr regarding the matter.

2024/76 Town and Parish Council Conference, County Hall, 3/10/24. Members to receive invite.

Clerk to attend conference.

2024/77 Northumberland County Council. Members to consider consultation Rights of Way Improvement Plan

Consultation and Clerk precis had been circulated to all members.

RESOLVED:

Clerk to submit comment to state there is little information contained in the document as regards measuring success.

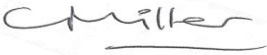
2024/79 Urgent Business/Items for next agenda

There was no urgent business/items for next agenda.

2024/80 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of Tarsest and Greystead Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 19th November 2024 at 730pm.

The meeting closed at 840pm



Claire Miller, Parish Clerk,

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