

## **Bamburgh Parish Council**

Minutes of the Parish meeting held on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April at 7.00pm in the Bamburgh Pavilion.

Present:- D, Miller (DM) M. Wilson(MW), B. Brook (BB) Andrew Bardgett (AB), N.Page (NP), PC Allan Morton

**Apologies** –Jude Aldred, Cllr John Woodman, PC Andy Harle

1. Declaration of Interest – None reported.
2. Minutes of 6<sup>th</sup> February 2017 – Previously circulated, accepted and signed.
3. Iain Robson – Coast Care Volunteer Project – Iain reported that Coast Care is a new initiative to enable local people and visitors to contribute to the management and conservation of the North Northumberland coastal landscape from Amble in the South to Berwick in the North and stretching west to Belford and Lowick. Funding from Heritage Lottery Fund has been secured for three years starting as soon as possible. The AONB, Northumberland Wildlife Trust and Seahouses Development Trust will be working together to take this project forward. They need to recruit volunteers from all age groups so that collectively local people, communities and visitors are able to contribute to them management of our amazing natural and cultural heritage. Full training and support will be provided to enable as many people as possible to contribute and to maximise the potential of an untapped, volunteer army. Anyone interested can contact Iain on [iain.robson@northumberland.gov.uk](mailto:iain.robson@northumberland.gov.uk)
4. PC Allan Morton reported that since the last report there had been two crimes
  - Theft of a pushchair from the beach
  - Lead drainage pipes had been stolen from Bamburgh Castle.

Can everyone keep their eyes open and if they see anything suspicious call the Police to report it.

As far as the traffic calming measures, the involvement of residents in the community speed watch will be organised, PC Andy Harle will contact AB when there is a training course.

5. **Financial Statement** – DJS updated on the end of the year financial statement. The current account has £130 in credit but two cheques for £500 and £800 are yet to clear and there will also be a VAT refund of approx. £2000 in late April. The audit will be July 2017 but the books will be with the accountant at the end of April.

### 6. **Issues from Minutes:-**

**War Memorial** – DJS reported that nothing much as happened since last meeting, we are awaiting information from English Heritage on how they think we should progress. DJS to report back.

**Traffic Calming** – AB reported that people are still swerving around the rumble strips, maybe the rumble strips should have been put on both sides of the road to stop this happening. Judy Cowen suggested that warning signs could be placed before the rumble strips to warn drivers as she had received complaints from motorists saying their cars would be damaged. However it was agreed that if drivers drove at the

appropriate speed then this would not happen. BB reported that a meeting had been held with Margaret Robinson (NCC), Michael Orde (Castle Estates), Cllr John Woodman and Cllrs from Bamburgh to discuss the parking within the village. A public exhibition will be held and all residents are encouraged to attend to ensure their comments and views are taken onboard.

**Castle Green Lights** – BB reported the lights were now installed and we had received positive comments on how they look.

**Neighbourhood Plan** – MW reported that the next meeting was scheduled for 13<sup>th</sup> April 2017. Still awaiting information before public consultation can be organised. Whilst MW is stepping down from the Parish Council she would like to continue with the Neighbourhood Plan to its conclusion, this was agreed by all that it would be a good idea and would be fitting considering all of her hardwork so far.

**7. Matters Arising:-**

- BB reported that the daffodils in the car park will need to be planted elsewhere because of the ongoing improvements, JC to organise. ~The picnic tables will be reinstated once the car park has been completed. Iain Robson to contact St Oswald's Way who financed the interpretation board initially to see if further funding is available for repair/replacement of notice
- MW also reported that Celia Darling is in need of tombola prizes for the upcoming Bamburgh Fair.
- A resident from Armstrong Cottages complained re the amount of full "Dog fouling bags" being left in the surrounding area of the south car park and lack of bins, was advised to write to Castle Estates.

**8. Date of Next Meeting – Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May – Annual General Meeting.**

Action	Initials
Community Orchard within the Village – Judy Cowen to progress	JC
Parking Ingram Road and St Cuthberts Garth – This will be included in the Bamburgh Plan awaiting information from Ben Hamilton Baillie and Margaret Robinson	JA
War Memorial – Application for further funding to repair the memorial has been submitted to the War Memorial Trust.	DJS