

Glanton Parish Council

The Annual Parish Council was held digitally at 7.00 pm on Tuesday 1 June 2021.

Present:

Parish Councillors Angus Collingwood-Cameron, Mrs Susan Collingwood-Cameron, Jerry Dronsfield, John Lang, Jon Radgick and Mrs Susan Rogers.

Stephen Rickitt – Clerk

1: Introduction

1.1 Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman

Cllr Radgick was elected as Chairman and Cllr Angus Collingwood-Cameron as Vice-Chairman.

1.2 Apologies, Declarations of Interest and Grant of any Dispensations

All Parish Councillors were present. PCSO Russell Stalker had given his apologies. All Parish Councillors took the opportunity to sign their declarations of acceptance of office in the presence of the clerk.

1.3 Parishioners Questions

No Parishioners were present nor had any questions been submitted in advance.

1.4 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The draft minutes of the meeting held on 29 March 2021 were agreed as a true record and will be signed by the Chairman.

1.5 Matters arising from the minutes not otherwise on the agenda

1.5.1 The Chairman reported that the Highways Dept. had held a meeting with the parishioner who has expressed concerns regarding the kerbing following the resurfacing and remedial works agreed. (Minute 2.4.1 of the March 2021 minutes)

1.5.2 The Council thanked Cllr Mrs Collingwood-Cameron for the gift of the snowdrops which have now been transplanted into the verges on the Powburn Road. (Minute 2.6.2 of the March 2021 minutes)

2: Items for Discussion and Potential Decisions

2.1 The Coronavirus National Emergency

Councillors were not aware of any issues specifically relating to the parish or of any parishioners who might have difficulties.

2.2 Reports from the County Councillor and the Police

PCSO Stalker had provided a written report and a copy is attached to the signed minutes.

2.3 Planning

There were no new planning applications to consider.

2.4 Highway Issues

The clerk will chase up the implementation of the extension of the speed limit on West Turnpike. **Action SER**

2.5 A List of Absent Owners

Cllr Mrs Rogers will undertake research using Google as the Council accepted that the identity of letting agents would be sufficient for the purposes of the list. **Action SueR**

2.6 Environmental Issues

The Chairman reported that a quotation is awaited for the repair and maintenance of the seats and noticeboards. The Council agreed that once the quotation had been circulated to all parish Councillors, with no adverse comment, instructions could be given for the work to be carried out. **Action JR**

2.7 The Newsletter

No progress had been made in seeking a new editor, but the Chairman was able to report that the website was now operational again having been transferred to a new provider.

3: Items for Information

3.1 Forthcoming Village Activities

Councillors were not aware of any planned activities.

3.2 Meetings attended by the Chairman or the clerk

None were reported.

3.3 Correspondence received

Items of interest are emailed to Councillors when received by the clerk.

4: Administration

4.1 Parish Council Vacancies

The Council noted that there were four vacancies following the election. It was agreed to co-opt John Guiry onto the Council subject to the Chairman confirming Mr Guiry's willingness to serve. **Action JR**

4.2 Finance

The clerk reported a current balance of £6383.05 and the following payments were authorised:

- NALC – Annual Subscription - £76.45
- HMRC – PAYE Q1 - £30.00

4.3 Annual Governance and Accountability Return for 2020/2021

The Council was informed that the internal auditor was now able to complete her work and provide a report indicating satisfaction with the questions posed in the return.

4.3.1 The Council formally noted the report of the internal auditor (Copy attached to the signed minutes)

4.3.2 The Council approved the Annual Governance Statement (Copy attached to the signed minutes)

4.3.3 The Council approved the draft annual accounts for 2020/2021 (Copy attached to the signed minutes)

4.3.4 The Council approved the Accounting Statement and Explanation of Variances (Copies attached to the signed minutes)

4.3.5 To confirm and approve the Certification of Exemption (Copy attached to the signed minutes)

4.4 Policies

The Council reviewed and adopted the Risk Assessments and Assets Register with the correction of a minor typographical error in the risk assessment. (Copies are attached to the signed minutes)

4.5 The General Power of Competence

The Council noted that it no longer qualified to use this power.

4.6 Details of items Councillors wish to raise at forthcoming meetings

The Chairman reported an intention to propose the bestowal of the Honorary Freedom of the Parish on a parishioner which would be discussed at the next meeting.

4.7 Dates of the next meetings – all commencing at 7.00 pm

Monday 26 July 2021
Monday 27 September 2021
Monday 29 November 2021

Confirmed as a true record

and signed by the Chairman Date