

**Minutes of the Tillside Parish Council Meeting
On Wednesday 5th March 2008 in Chatton Parish Hall Chatton
Commencing at 19.30**

Present: Neil Douglas (Chairman), Jim Railton, Alison Cutter, Bob Scott, Eddie Brown Joan Renner & Mandy Nesbit
Vicar

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Parish Councillor Margaret Waldie, & Mrs D Pardoe
County Councillor Mr C Hallam-Baker

DECLARATION OF INTEREST:

Parish Councillor Alison Cutter declared a personal & prejudicial Interest on the school.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 10th January 2008 previously circulated were duly agreed and signed by the Chairman.

The Minutes of the Special Meeting held on 13th February 2008 previously circulated were duly agreed and signed by the Chairman.

Min 228- Chatton Church- The Vicar addressed the meeting stating that the PCC will be holding a public meeting just after Easter, this is to involve the residents within the process of the future use of the church building. The church is currently not fit for purpose, but it must be remembered that the building is historic and that it is of value. The PCC have engaged an architect who has drawn up plans which were displayed to the Parish Council showing the potential of moving the organ, creating 2 areas which could be used for the community, and to create both a kitchen and toilet facilities. Members asked about the heating of the building and the Vicar replied it was thought to re-instate the Victorian heating system, and explore the thought of Geo-thermal heating. Members also asked if closure had been considered, the Vicar replied no but that people out with the Parish need to be attracted in, giving priority to the locals. Members felt there could be conflicting interests in the community when applying for grants.

Matters Arising-

Min 229 (Min 209) - Neighbourhood Watch- The Chairman advised the meeting that the finance had been pulled from the project and the Ian Miller is now based in Berwick. It was agreed that the clerk write to Northumbria Police and ask what is happening.

Min 230 (Min 210) - Fishnets- Parish Councillor Mr B Scott advised the meeting that Carpet bowls have been going for 2 weeks, on the 1st night there were 7 people and 6 on the 2nd night. The grant is to cover the hire of the Hall which

will be £15 per week for 10 weeks. Parish Councillor Mr B Scott also asked for agreement to purchase a 2nd set of bowls for £50 this was agreed.

Min 231- Financial Statement

Bank Balance	£ 6758.38	
Including	£ 744.00	Donations for Fountain
	£ 500.00	Victorian Lamp
	£ 23.54	Interest
	£ 1219.60	Village on Line
	£ 58.00	Christmas Lights
	£ 340.00	Fishnets
	£ 30.00	Website adverts
	£ 3890.32	Parish Council Balance
Halifax Account	£1120.58	

Min 232 – Accounts for Payment-

a) Mrs E I Hunter	£ 100.00	Clerk's Salary
b) Northumbria Water	£ 27.32	Water Rates
c) M Douglas	£ 100.00	Grass Cutting
d) B T	£ 112.44	Phone Bill
e) N Power	£ 129.76	Electric Account
f) I Cutter	£ 139.50	Printer
g) Northumberland Estates	£ 40.00	Rent
h) B Scott	£ 50.00	2 nd Set of bowls

Min 233- Planning Applications- *No Observations*

07/B/0092- Full Planning Application- Proposed racehorse gallop on land west of the Chatton Road & South Hazelrigg – South Hazelrigg Farm
Chatton Alnwick NE66 5RZ

Min 234- Planning Approvals-

07/B/1043- Full Planning Application- Erect single storey extension- 8 Mill Hill Chatton NE66 5PR

07/B/1075- Full Planning Application- Erection of covered ride- South Hazelrigg Steading Chatton Alnwick

Min 235- Correspondence:

- **Community Action Northumberland-** Newsletter
- **Northumbria Water-** Water Rates £27.32
- **Local Council Clerks-** Invite to regional Conference 13/3
- **CLG-** Consultation on Orders & Regulations relating to the Conduct of Local Authority Members in England
- **Arriva-** Bus timetable

- **N power-** Electric Account £290.62
- **BT** – Phone Bill £112.44
- **N Power-** Revised Bill £129.76
- **BBC-** Letter Re- Northern Rock
- **Community Action Northumberland-** Request for Donation
- **Audit Commission-** appointment of external auditor
- **CPRE-** Newsletter
- **Ian Cutter-** Invoice for new printer £139.50
- **Northumberland Estates-** Letter Re proposed lease of Chatton Football/Cricket Pitch
- **GONE-** CD on Regional Spatial Strategy comments by 2/4
- **Northumbria health Care-** Cheque £390.00 for bowling RE Fishnets
- **BBC-** Agenda Tripartite 6/3
- **BBC-** Planning Mins 5/2
- **Northumberland VCS Consortium-** Invite to conference at Choppington 17/3
- **Community Action Northumberland-** Newsletter
- **GONE-** CD North East Regional Spatial Strategy comments by 2/4
- **Northumberland & Newcastle Society-** Letter re Membership
- **Kate Bagenal- Lowe-** letter Re a Community Development officer, *Members agreed that the Clerk write thanking for the observations*
- **Northumberland Estates-** Invoice for Rent £40.00
- **BBC-** Housing newsletter
- **Northumberland Estates-** Reply to invite to Meeting
- **BBC-** E-mail reply Re drainage *Members raised concerns that it took 3 days to attend.*

ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

Min 236 (Min 221)- Fountain- Parish Councillor Mrs A Cutter advised the meeting that the cross was now back in place and that Mr Rumble was to re-do the bowl FOC

Min 237- Village Plan- The meeting agreed that the Clerk invite Northumberland Estates to a special meeting to discuss the proposed village plan. The Clerk to check out what role the Parish Council can take in developing the village plan.

Min 238- Recreational Group- Parish Councillor Mr B Scott advised the meeting that there had been another meeting and the Minutes are to follow, they are to pursue the 80% Discretionary Rate Relief application for sports clubs, Parish Councillor Mrs M Nesbit suggested they apply to Awards for All for grants. The Clerk was asked to contact the Insurers re: - the inclusion of the pavilion.

Min 239- Sodium Lighting- This item was deferred to the next meeting as Parish Councillor Mr. Ord was not in attendance.

Parish Councillor Alison Cutter declared a personal & prejudicial Interest on the school and left the meeting.

Min 240 (Min222)- Closure of Chatton 1st School- Parish Councillor Mr B Scott advised the meeting that this was to be discussed at the Executive Meeting on 10th March at County Hall, the recommendation is for closure where the statutory notice will be issued and there will be a 6 week period for comments or objections. Parish Councillor Mrs M Nesbit asked if there were feelings about the building, the Chairman replied none yet. Members also wondered what notice the Church have to give Northumberland Estates to relinquish the lease.

Date of next meeting: 8th May 2008 at 7.30 p.m.