

Minutes of ordinary meeting of Kielder Parish Council Unit 5 Rivermead Kielder NE48 1HX 19/06/2023 @ 7pm.Present: Cllr. R Graham (Chair), Cllr S Ballantine, Cllr D Morrison, Cllr S Drew, Cllr Helen Crocker

Gillian Liddle- Parish Clerk

Meeting opened 19:00 pm

2023.01 Apologies for absence None received

2023.02 Co-Option Vacancies None

2023.03 Disclosure of interest- None

2024.04 Minutes of previous meeting 15/05/2022 to be reviewed and agreed- proposed as true record Cllr Ballantine and seconded by Cllr Drew.

2023.05 Clerks report-

1. Rivermead Units – Solicitor Gibson and sons have reviewed the case and confirmed Advance Northumberland are legally within their tenancy agreement able to withdraw from the tenancy on 23/11/2023, terms of the tenancy must be meet and repairs to the building carried out and the units returned to the KPC in the condition they were let. Lee Farrier Head of Commercial & Workspace has visited the site and agreed to carry out works Correspondence has continued between Lee and the parish council regarding the handover and Lee has requested evidence and certification of Building control sign off which KPC are looking into.

As stated, the terms of use of Rivermead units must remain the same until December 2027. Discussion around current EPC rating needs clarifying

**Note unit 2 now let

Discussed requesting financial statements/information (as stated in the lease) about the units to aid us in decision making GL to contact Advance Northumberland regarding this.

Discussion re units including Solicitors invoice there was no instruction for solicitors currently ongoing to remain on the agenda until resolved

2. **Boiler house** transfer from NCC to Forestry England discussion occurred re the functions of the boiler house and Cllr D Morrison wanted to receive further information from Forestry England re what boiler would be put into the boiler house ie the specification, what fuel would be used, when and how would the fuel be delivered. Queries would be forwarded to Alex MacLennan of forestry England for clarification.

- 3. **Allocation of Garages** Letter and phone call to Mr and Mrs Gregg re the termination of tenancy of Garages nu 1 & 2 at Butteryhaugh, Mr Gregg agreed to remove all items from said Garages by the end of May and would pay the remittance owing, Items are still in Nu 2 and no remittance has been made to the KPC.
 - Ongoing Cllr D Morrison to contact Mr Gregg and clarify exit from lease
- 4. **Highways** On going speed restrictions and signage, weed pathways and reduce speed restrictions **ongoing** to discuss and agree 3 priorities for highways submission in September

2023.05 Planning applications- None received

2023.06 Reports-general from Councillors No reports

2023.07 Correspondence to Kielder Parish Council- Received Play safe report

2023.08 Finance reports-

Clerk salary-£219- £203 salary and £16 mileage proposed by Cllr S Ballantine & seconded by Cllr S Drew

Invoices -

Stan Drew - Handyman £144

Chris Mowatt -Grass cutting £264.00

Bank Balance

Treasurers account £11,0022.31

Business Bank £6,341.13

2023.08 A.O. B

Cllr. R Graham brought to the attention of the parish council Karen Bright from NCC had contacted him re renewing the school roof and if whilst this happened in the summer break cars and vans could park in the school car park this was agreed by all and resolved.

Cllr S Ballantine discussed the forthcoming event for the 5th of November fireworks and the dates the event should take place considering surrounding villages events suggested date was Friday 4th or November as to not coincide with Falstone resolved Cllr S Ballantine to contact Sophie Blackburn re Falstone Bonfire and firework display clash bring dates to the next meeting to discuss and agree event details.

2023.09 Public participation

Public participation occurred during the agenda items added to this TG raised the issue of the grass not being cut as regularly as it should be, GL to raise this with; Chris Mowatt.

2023.10 Date and time of next meeting - 7pm 10/07/2023

Meeting closed 7.45 pm