

NORHAM NEWSROUND

SEPTEMBER 2016

Public Conveniences : 3 soap dispensers will be obtained.

Maintenance of Footpaths : It was agreed that Fisher's Walk will not be strimmed or sprayed by the council's contractor. Accordingly he would instead be asked to deal with the 'new' public path between South Lane and Castle Bank, and round the new stone planter.

Seat Location Plan : JB has drawn up a list (containing 17 seats and benches). Generally they are in reasonable condition.

Pantomime Funds : A contribution of £100 will be made.

Clerk's Salary : From 1st May it will be £8.717 per hour, and from 1st May 2017 £8.873 per hour

Payments and Receipts since last meeting

£50 to Great North Air Ambulance; £100 to Norham Newsround;
£150 to Norham Church Council for Graveyard maintenance;
£200 to Norham Village Hall Committee; £50 to CAN; £20 to CAB;
£120.09 to NALC; £361.55 to Came & Co (insurance premium).
£200 to Sheila Penman (WC Cleaning), £53.04 to T Simpson
(Noticeboard repair), £159.60 to PlaySafety Ltd (Play areas annual inspection) and £4402.43 to Unipart (electronic speed sign)

A donation of £200 has been received toward upkeep of the riverbank.

Planning Application decisions Since the last meeting applications have been granted in relation to 28 West Street, 21 Castle Street, and 21 West Street, Norham.

State of Roads and Pavements The road surface between Galagate and Ubbanford was deteriorating, and there were also two potholes at the top of Castle Bank which would be reported.

Any Other Business The pedestrian gate into the Jubilee Field has been stolen. A replacement will be costed. The overgrown hedge behind Ubbanford, which belonged to Birchill, and which had been the subject of a number of complaints, will be cut back shortly. The condition of Cow Holme has improved but there was still a problem with drainage. There may be an old drain down the side of the road, where the village's old septic tank used to drain into the river. GS will investigate further. Part of the riverbank just upstream from the sewage work fortifications is eroding very badly. There is a tree about to fall into the river. GS will discuss the matter with D Watkin, and the Tweed Riverbank Forum to see what assistance can be given. JHG reported that the Running Club would now hold the Castle Bank Challenge on 1st September. JB confirmed that the Norham Bike Festival would take place on September 11th. The village green was booked. There would be some disruption in the village due to the number of bikes expected.

Next Meeting Monday 26th September at 7.30pm in Norham Village Hall.

NB This is very much a summary. A full version of these Minutes is available at www.norham.org and on the village noticeboard.

Forthcoming Events.

Thursday 1st September : **W.I.Meeting**; 2pm in the Village Hall.

Sunday 4th : **Choral Evensong**; 6pm in St Cuthbert's Church; see below.

Wednesday 7th : **Carpet Bowls** restarts; 2-4pm in Horncliffe Memorial Hall.

Thursday 8th : **Parish Walk** Meet on the Green at 9.30am.

Sunday 11th : **Norham Bike Fest** from 9.30am.

Monday 12th : **M.U. Meeting** 2pm; St Cuthbert's Church; see below

Wednesday 14th : **Scottish Country Dancing** restarts; 7.30pm;

Norham Village Hall

23rd, 24th, 25th ; **Mozart-on-Tweed Concerts**; see adverts for details.

Saturday 24th : **Village Hall Coffee Morning / Fair**; 10.30am; Village Hall.

Monday 26th : **Parish Council Meeting**; 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Thursday 29th : **Drop-in-4-Coffee** in church 10.30-12 noon.

SINCERE CONDOLENCES to the family and friends of Jimmy Baxter, who died on 3rd July;

Susie Hoare, who died on 4th August.

WELCOME On Sunday 3rd July we welcomed Lianna May Rymill to St Cuthbert's Church on the occasion of her baptism.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE At the September meeting(1st) Suzzie Seui will talk about Crafts. All welcome.

MOTHERS' UNION The meeting on Monday 12th. September will now be in Norham Church at 2pm. Canon Pat Johnson will be giving a talk on " How the MU works ".All are welcome.

DROP-IN-4-COFFEE will start again in September but will in future be on the last Thursday of the month rather than on Wednesdays.

CARPET BOWLS Would you like to play? Horncliffe Carpet Bowling Club are looking for new members. We meet every Wednesday afternoon during the winter months, 2—4pm in Horncliffe Memorial Hall. Experience not necessary; we will happily teach you. Meetings commence on 7th September, after the summer break. If you are interested come along on that afternoon, or for more information telephone 01289 382956.

Brenda Sadler

NORHAM & LADYKIRK ANGLING ASSOCIATION Mark Straughan, one of our club members, has come third in the Scottish River Championship. This gives him a place in the Scottish Team Competition (Scotland, England, Ireland, Wales) in 2017. A tremendous achievement, and everyone in the club gives him their congratulations. We have never had an 'International' club member before.
Jim Cameron (secretary)

THANKS Sylvia Chapman would like to say a big thank-you to all friends in the Village for cards and flowers received on the sudden and very sad loss of John. Also for the donations of £330 to the British Heart Foundation. All much appreciated. Thank you.
Sylvia

CHORAL EVENSONG Sunday 4th September at 6pm - A Service of Choral Evensong to celebrate the Translation of St Cuthbert (whose body was brought by monks from Holy Island to Norham, on the way to its final resting place at Durham). The music in the Service will be led by the choir of St Cuthbert's Church and will include a setting of the Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis by Charles Villiers Stanford and an anthem by Bob Chilcott. The organist will be Julian Bonia.

NORHAM BIKE FEST Norham's second Bike Fest will take place on Sunday 11th September from 9.30am. It seeks to promote Norham as a cycle friendly village. Five competitions for cyclists of all ages and abilities: Team Time Trial, Individual Time Trial and King of the Castle for competitive cyclists; Scooter Run for children; non-competitive Family Cycle through the beautiful Ladykirk estates for all family members. Registration on the day in the Hall or go to Norham Bike Fest Facebook for alternative means of registration.

Lots of other activities on the Green and in the Hall (inc. refreshments) Volunteers are needed to help with marshalling, recording etc. Please help if you can—it's essential for safety and for a successful day.

If you'd like to help please leave your name and contact information through the letterboxes of Jim Blythe (6 Castle St. or 382442) or Sheila Johnson (28 West St. or 382480).

ITEMS FOR OCTOBER NEWSROUND

Any contributions should be given to Josephine Harris (382363) before Thursday 22nd September.

MOZART-ON-TWEED FESTIVAL

Friday 23rd, Saturday 24th and Sunday 25th September

FIVE CONCERTS IN THREE DAYS

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www.andantechamberchoir.webs.com

telephone reservations *Geoffrey Emerson* on 01 573 420 279

Tickets also available at the door

Norham Parish Council

25th July 2016

Joint Neighbourhood Planning in Norham and Islandshire : It is likely that questionnaires will be produced in due course to elicit information/preferences/suggestions from the general public, in relation to planning considerations. Expect 2+ years to produce a plan.
Leaflets for Walks around Norham : Jim Blythe will coordinate distribution of the 5000 leaflets outwith the village.

Electronic speed sign : The post has been erected and the sign itself should be erected and commissioned very shortly.

Chemical Spraying in Fisher's Walk : After a complaint from Rob Kelsey GS had established that the chemical spraying had been carried out by the contractor responsible for maintenance of the footpaths, as the amount of dog dirt on the path made strimming an unacceptable option. The options will be discussed with the vicar.

Local Transport Plan Priorities 2017-2018

Reinstatement of hard shoulders where badly broken up, from Norham Castle to West Mains – part of the national cycle route;

Reinstatement of hard shoulders on both sides of the road, from Morris Hall Farm to Norham Station Road End;

Resurfacing of access road from Norham Village Hall to the shop.

Resurfacing of the lane from West Street to St Cuthbert's Square.