

Widdrington Station & Stobswood Parish Council



To all Parish Residents

Date 7/4/22

Dear Resident

You are summoned to attend the monthly meeting of the Parish Council to be held at 6.30 pm on Monday the 11th April 2022 at the Widdrington Community Centre, Grange Road, Widdrington Station. The meeting will be held in the Hall with the fire doors open to increase ventilation. The tables and seats will be set out to maintain Social Distancing as the meeting will be open to the public.

AGENDA

1. To receive apologies for absence
2. To receive declarations of interest
3. To receive questions and comments from members of the public (time limited to 20 minutes in total)
4. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 14th March 2022 for approval and adoption. (Attached)
5. Matters Arising on the Minutes.
 - Age Concern - Scams Awareness – Email sent to Age Concern to arrange a “Drop-in Session”. No response
 - Jubilee – 100 coins ordered as discussed in last meeting
6. Reports from Outside Bodies
 - None
7. Correspondence Received
 - a/ Support for Tree Planting – Applications requested for tree planting in Parish Councils on behalf of NCC & the Forestry Commission. Grant is called “Local Authority Treescapes Fund”
 - b/ Litter Bins & rubbish – Complaint from local resident about bins not being made available at the Level Crossing and the litter in and around Widdrington
 - c/ Northumberland Local Plan 2016 – 2036 Notice outline Councils spatial vision, strategic objective, policies for development
 - d/ St Georges Day Service – Invite by Castle Morpeth District Scouts – St James the Great Church 23/4/22
 - e/ Northumberland Frontline – Citizens Advice – Link services together to send/receive referrals. Register
 - f/ PKF Littlejohn – External Audit - Details of audit. Submission date 1/7/22
 - g/ Windfarm Grant application. – Martin Conway contacted about grant application and advised that next opening for grant submissions is May/June 2022
 - h/ Northumbria Connected – registered on 3/3/22. Confirmation email
 - i/ “Over 60’s Drop In” – Provision of a 1 day per week “Drop In” for Over 60’s at the Community Centre for a warm meal for 50p
 - Take away meal for struggling families – separate from Community Food Bank
 - J/ David Auld solicitors - Land Transfer – Plan Letter asking for confirmation to agree terms of proposed transfer
8. Planning Applications
 - Alteration to Attic Space – 25 Margaret Street – add 2 x dormers and 3 x veluxes.
9. Parish Council Events
 - Over 60’s Drop In – Warm Meal
10. Community Centre Web site
 - Minutes added to website
11. Finance
 - i) Parish Clerk’s financial statement – monthly update – Bank of Ireland Account Balance as at 31.03.2022 £51,631.92 not Reconciled, Bank Account statement for April 2022 awaited. 449,400.2
 - ii) Payments Approved by the Chair and Vice Chair of the Council since the last meeting in accordance with Covid 19 arrangements are attached.
 - iii) External Auditor application received for completion by July 1st 2022 and Internal Audit to be made available David Booth by end of April 2022
 - iv) Confirmation of NCC Precept for 2022/2023 To received by email on 6th April 2022