

Minutes of a meeting of Carham Parish Council, held in Carham Church on Tuesday, 10th Jan. 2012... at 6.30 p.m

511. Present. Councillors R.Brydon (in the chair), A.Cater, Mrs L.Cater, H.Thomas, Mrs J.Thomas, D. Critchlow, B.Woodcock and W.Potts(clerk) . Also 1 member of the public.

512. Apologies. John Hills

513. Declarations of Interest. None

514. Minutes of the meeting of Tues. 15th Nov., 2011, were approved, and signed .

515. Matters Arising. The B6350 had not been closed, as the repairs had been scheduled to be done on the same day as the General One Day Strike at the end of November. A new time was to be notified.

David Critchlow intimated that he had enquired of Rev.Hughes about putting a mirror on his fence. He was still to receive a reply.

516. Planning applications. Wind turbine at Wark Common . No further news was available about this turbine. The Planning Officer was away until 5th March , so no decision is likely to be made before that date.

An application for two Wind Turbines has been received from Mr.R.Lathangie of East Moneylaws Farm. These are of a smaller size than Wark Common, being 24.6 metres to the hub. It was still decided to put in an objection to them on the grounds of damaging the tourist trade, and in particular being visible from the Flodden Monument, especially as the 500th anniversary is due to take place in 2013

517.. Village Hall - Four new trustees have now been appointed by the Charities Commission. A few details have to be sorted out with the Commission and then the sale of the Hall can go ahead.

518. Precept for 2012. After some discussion it was decided to apply for £1200. for 2012. This would cover any extra expense with the play park.

519. Cornhill School. A letter with the notice of closure had been received. As the school had now only 4 pupils it was agreed that this was sad but inevitable.

520. Parish Council Website. Alan Cater enquired whether we wanted the web site to continue as there had not been many hits. Everyone was for keeping it going, and to try and feed more information to Alan. The subject of advertising was discussed, and it was decided that this should be encouraged.

521. Correspondence. A letter of thanks from the CAB for the donation given to them
A letter from Northumberland Local Development Framework. An update on Core Strategy. A letter giving the date of a meeting of Northumberland link .
A letter of advice and guidance on Northumberland Snow Squads.

522. A.O.B. The subject of rats on the waste ground in the middle of Wark was raised
Also Hogweed in the summer. The Clerk to report this. to the authorities..

523 Date of Next Meeting Tuesday 13th March. 2012 . 6.30p.m in the Church.