

**Minutes of a meeting of Carham Parish Council**, held in Carham Church on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2014.

**678.. Present.** Councillors R.Brydon (in the chair), Mrs A.Lauder Mrs A.Changleng, Mr B.Woodcock, Mr. S Thorkildsen, Mrs J.Thomas, Mr D. Critchlow and Mr W.Potts. Also in attendance were Mr Clive Hallam Baker and Mr Peter Straker-Smith.

**679. Apologies.** None.

**680. Declarations of Interest.** None

**681. Battle of Carham.** Mr Hallam Baker and Mr Straker Smith both spoke on the subject of the 1000<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the battle of Carham The main object at the moment is to see what support could be gathered, the idea is to see if we have a feasible project To that end there is to be a meeting in Cornhill Village Hall on 26<sup>th</sup> April, when Dr Alex Woolf, a noted historian, will speak on the subject. Carham Parish Council voiced their support for the project, and the clerk to write to Mr Hallam Baker showing their support.

**682. Minutes** of the meeting of 7<sup>th</sup> Jan. 2014 were approved, and signed .

**683. Matters Arising.** The subject of signs was brought up. Mrs J.Thomas said that she had had no more information from NCC.

**684 Planning applications.** (1) A planning application for alterations to the Police House at Pawston had been received. Clerk had pointed out to NCC that Pawston was not in Carham Parish. The reply had been that Pawston was in Kilham parish, but they had no Parish Council. so we had to deal with it.

(2) The result of the hearing on the Wark Common Turbine had resulted in the application being refused by 8 votes to 1.

The Parish Council Members would like to thank Ann Lauder most sincerely for all her hard work in writing letters to NCC which has helped to obtain this result.

**685. Roadside Mirror.** David Critchlow said that he is awaiting a response from Highways Dept. Decided to let him continue his dialogue with NCC, but if nothing satisfactory shows up by next meeting, then the PC will have to decide on what action to take. It is understood that because the mirror will be erected on private land there will be no need for planning permission.

**685. Financial Position.** Clerk stated that after the expected expenditure for the year of £650 there should be a balance of about £600 to carry forward . It was agreed to give a donation to Northumberland Air Ambulance of £50.

**686. AOB. (1)** Individual response forms for the revised Charter were handed round.

(2) Following the discussion about no parish council in Kilham Parish, it was felt that the Clerk should write to NCC pointing out that we would not shoulder any financial liability for Kilham Parish.

**687. Date of next meeting.** Tues. 13<sup>th</sup> May, 2014 in the Church at 6.30pm (AGM)