

Minutes of a meeting of Carham Parish Council, held in Carham Church on Tuesday, 13th March 2012... at 6.30 p.m

524.. Present. Councillors H.Thomas (in the chair) , Mrs J.Thomas, D. Critchlow, B.Woodcock , J.Hills and W.Potts(clerk) . Also 1 member of the public. Also in attendance County Councillor Anthony Murray.

525. Apologies. R. Brydon, A. Cater and Mrs L.Cater

526. Declarations of Interest. None

527. Minutes of the meeting of Tues. 10th Jan. 2012, were approved, and signed .

528. Matters Arising. A pest officer had visited the waste ground site in Wark, but had found no sign of rats, just rabbits.

529.. Planning applications. (i) Wind turbine at Wark Common . This had been given approval at an NCC planning meeting at Alnwick. The voting was 3 for, 2 against and 3 abstentions. Agreed to write and question the need for a red light on the turbine.

(2) Two Wind Turbines at East Moneylaws. This application has been in for some time , but no further details are available yet. An objection has been lodged.

(3) Conversion of building at Kaim House. The plans were viewed of the conversion into a 3 bedroom house. It was agreed that these be approved.

530. NCC Planning re protected trees. A letter from NCC was read out which stated that Parish Councils would have more say in any planning applications relating to Protected Trees.

531. NCC North Area joint meeting. It was noted that the next meeting would be held at Belford on Thurs 15th March..

532. Transfer of Litter Bins. Notice has been given that we will be responsible for the upkeep and maintenance of the litter bins, but not the emptying of. them.

533. Letter from Glendale Gateway Trust. This was basically asking for our opinion on the replacement of a rep. on their board, as now the Glendale Group of Parish Councils was no longer in existence. Clerk to write to Tom Johnson.

534. Financial Statement. The year end figures were in draft and showed we would have a carry over to next year of approx. £537.. It was agreed to send £25 to Air Ambulance Northumberland.

535. A.O.B. Councillor Murray said that he had raised the problem of the B6350 road at West Learmouth junction with the close proximity to the river. The authorities were considering what best to do. He also brought up the subject of ambulances in Berwick. It had been proposed to cut the service from 2, to 1 ambulance. However, after a stormy meeting in Berwick the status quo might be retained.

The subject of the car park cleanliness at Wark was raised. Agreed to write to the authorities and get some action.

536. Date of Next Meeting Tuesday 15th May. 2012 . 6.30p.m in the Church. followed by the Annual Meeting.

