

**Minutes of a meeting of Carham Parish Council**, held in Carham Church on Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> May, 2011.. at 6.30 p.m

**466. Present.** Councillors R.Brydon (in the chair), A.Cater, Mrs L.Morris, H.Thomas , Mrs J.Thomas, and W.Potts(clerk)

**467. Apologies.** Brian Woodcock, John Hills and NCC Councillor A.Murray.

**468. Declarations of Interest.** None.

**469.. Minutes** of the meeting of Tues. 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2011, were approved, and signed .

**470. Matters Arising.** PAYE - Clerk informed the meeting that he had registered with HM Customs & Excise, but did not expect to have to pay any PAYE

**471. Wark Village Hall.** - An Email had been received from Euan Aitchison regarding the sale of the hall. An offer of £40,000 has been received. It was unanimously decided to accept this offer. Clerk to contact Aitchison , accepting the offer, and find out more details.

A form for Bank details was also filled in - for new signatures on cheques and change of address for correspondence.

**472. Meeting with NCC officials.** – A meeting had taken place with NCC, regarding taking over of services. They stated that the only thing that we would be responsible for would be the kids play area in Wark Village. This would be transferred to us in April 2012. They would still be responsible for all grass cutting and litter bin emptying. Other matters brought up with them were – Hogweed needing sprayed near play area. – Footpath signposting on path which comes to a dead end in Wark – Snow and ice treatment of roads and paths with salt . Carham Council to request grit and salt supplies at end of July – Highway erosion by river tweed at West Learmouth Road End – Road safety in Wark Village. Possible one way system was talked about.

**473. Accounts to 31/3/2011.** A copy of the accounts for the year were produced , discussed, agreed and signed.

**474. Carham Parish Website.** Alan Cater discussed the new format, which was very pleasing. He stressed the importance of keeping it up to date and asked if members could inform him of any news in and around the parish. He stated that it would cost a minimum of £25 per year to keep it registered. It was proposed that he be given a cheque to cover his costs to date.

**475. Road Repairs.** – It was noted that the C29 road between East Moneylaws to Moneylaws covert was to be resurfaced during the summer. A total of 1891 meters.

**476. Correspondence** A letter from the Glendale Gateway trust was asking how many houses were empty on a long term basis in our parish. It was thought that there were none. Only short term ones.

**477. A.O.B.** Following the meeting of the Glendale Group of Parish Councils (GGPC) last week, the matter of whether or not to continue was discussed. Our opinion was that it would be a shame to see it finish. We were prepared to pay our share of cost to keep it going. A suggestion was ,for each parish to take it in turn to host a quarterly meeting and Chairing the meeting and taking the minutes, and paying any incidental costs for that night. Decisions would be taken at the next GGPC meeting in Sept.

**478. Next meeting** was arranged for Tues 27<sup>th</sup> Sept. 2011 at 6.30 p.m in the Church.