

Alnwick Town Team

Minutes of the meeting of Alnwick Town Team held at 5pm on Tuesday 21st June 2017 at The Cottage, Alnwick Garden.

Present: Cllr. Alan Symmonds (Chairman), Cllr. Gordon Castle, David Lovie (DL) (Civic Society), Dave Campbell (DC) (Northumberland County Council), Bill Batey (ATC)

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Tim Kirton (ATC), Philip Angier (PA), (Local Living), Mark Brassell (MB) (Alnwick Garden), Carlo Biagioni (CB) (Chamber of Trade), Elizabeth Jones (EJ) (Alnwick in Bloom).

2. Minutes of the last meeting held on Tuesday 30th May 2017

The minutes were approved as a true and correct record.

3. Matters Arising

No matters arising not covered by the agenda.

4. Updates

A leaflet listing the year's events at The Alnwick Garden had been produced and copies were circulated to all present. There is a Twitter feed about this, for which Robson Green had done the voiceover at the end and all TT members were asked to share this and "like" it if they felt able.

b) County Council:

Updates:

- No feedback as yet on the future role of the Town Champion.
- The Alnwick Playhouse proposal is still on the cards and has not been dismissed and discussions are ongoing in a positive manner.
- Lindisfarne School and sports hall: Discussions are ongoing with site users.
- In response to a question from PA, DC said he thinks Active Northumberland has responsibility for Alnwick Tourist Information Centre. GC advised that Alnwick Northumberland's management structure will be under review by the new NCC Administration.

Local Area Councils: The first meeting of the North Northumberland Local Area Council will be in Northumberland Hall on 29th June 2017. All are encouraged to attend.

(d) Local Living

In PA's absence a reminder was given for the Taste of the North Festival on 24th and 25th June.

(e) Town Council:

BB reported:

- **CCTV:** Planning and Listed Building approvals had been received and installation was expected to start imminently.
- **Fingerposts and Lectern Maps:** The fingerposts works are progressing. Repainting of five columns in progress, two new columns to be ordered. The new lectern map to be provided on Bondgate Within outside Your Move, which is to be ordered with the fingerposts.
- **Willowburn Industrial Estate:** The NCC Planning Committee met on June 6th and Philip Angier from Local Living, James McLean (trader), Gordon Castle and Cllr. George Mavin spoke against the application. The committee decided to defer the application for a site visit on 3rd July. The application will then be considered again by NCC Planning Committee on July 4th.
- **Neighbourhood Plan:** The referendum took place on Thursday June 15th 2017. 80.1% of residents voted in favour of the Plan, with an overall turnout 21.6%. The Plan will be finally “made” after going through the County Council’s internal procedures (Local Area Committee, Scrutiny Committee and final approval at Cabinet on the 27th July.)

7. Any Other Business

DL advised that funding had been secured from HLF for the “Alnwick’s Heritage Heroes” publication.

8. Date and Time of Next Meeting and future meetings

Wednesday 19th July 2017 at 5.30pm at The Board Room, Alnwick Garden.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 6.05pm.