



	<p>MC queried whether the PC should get involved. AH advised that the pub was located in a residential area and residents were unhappy with the noise, light and smell pollution and so it was right the PC, as representatives of the residents, should be concerned about the issues being caused. MS suggested a log be kept of all incidents to assist NCC with any enforcement required. The PC and residents wished it to be noted that they were very happy that the pub had re-opened and was doing well and wished it every success but hoped that the new Tenant would be mindful and respectful of the local community and neighbouring residents and that the issues can be resolved amicably between residents and Tenant. It was noted that Planning Enforcement, Licensing and Environmental Health are all aware of the complaints and issues regarding use of the pub car park and surrounding disruption to residents and are investigating. It was left for residents to make their own position known to NCC at this stage. MS also advised a local resident had requested via GC for residents parking on Lesbury Main Street as parking was now becoming a problem. MS advised NCC Highways had investigated and as there are currently no restrictions in place NCC were unable to enforce the location. NCC also no longer implements 'residents only' type restrictions i.e. permit holders only, as part of its permit parking policy. Only 'shared use' schemes are considered, so visitors to the area are still able to park for at least a time limited period. As a result, NCC would not be looking to introduce or amend any parking restrictions at this time on Lesbury Main Street. The PC noted this information and would not take the matter forward at this time unless a substantial majority of residents came forward strongly in favour when the request could be revisited. MS to ask GC to advise the resident accordingly. MS did confirm that the 20mph zone through Lesbury Village was to be implemented as part of the 2024/25 LTP at the request of the PC.</p> <p><b>c) Parish Newsletter:</b> JH advised Rosalind was stepping down as Editor and thanks were extended to Rosalind for the excellent newsletters she had written. Lesley Moss has expressed an interest to step in and take over as Editor. JH to meet with Lesley to go through the processes and detail.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>MS/GC</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>JH</b></p>
8.	<p><b>County Councillors Gordon Castle and Martin Swinbank – NCC Update</b>  <b>Steppey Lane Footbridge:</b> MS advised Paul Jones, Director of Environment &amp; Transport confirmed the start of construction would be September 2024.  <b>North N’land Local Area Committee:</b> MS flagged this meeting was due to be held on 28/3/24 at 6pm at Lindisfarne, Alnwick.  <b>Closure of Alnwick Banks:</b> MS advised that Cash Access UK were to create a banking hub in Alnwick following news of the latest closures of the remaining banks in Alnwick. Exact location to be confirmed. Halifax, Lloyds and Barclays to be represented and each bank will be represented in the hub 1 day a week. More details to follow. JuH flagged that the Community Shop had applied to have a cash machine but had been rejected as there are cash facilities at Longhoughton and Alnmouth. JuH advised the shop would not be progressing with a Post Office facility due to lack of space and also cost (circa £17k). JH advised it was also cost prohibitive to offer a parcel service it will sell stamps.  <b>AONB Dark Skies:</b> MS distributed a leaflet about dark skies and advised that AONB/National Park can visit the parish to talk about dark skies opportunities. JH to take a leaflet to investigate a talk opportunity in Lesbury Village Hall.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>MS</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>JH</b></p>
9.	<p><b>Planning:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 24/ 00703/VARYCO – Variation of conditions 3 (materials); 6 (cycle parking);</li> </ul>	

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	7 (construction method statement); 11 (landscaping) on approved application 20/01630/FUL Hazel Cottage, Steppey Lane, NE66 3PU – no objections	
10.	<p><b>Correspondence Received</b></p> <p>a) Alnmouth &amp; Lesbury Cricket Club – Patio Project Update – The Club had advised that there was a £2,500 shortfall with the grant from ECB but that the Club were to fund the shortfall from other sources. ET had confirmed on behalf of the PC that the PC would be happy to continue to provide a £1,500 grant on the understanding that the Club are successful funding from other sources the shortfall to cover the whole cost of the patio project.</p> <p>b) NCC Thriving Together March 2024 - noted</p> <p>c) NALC – ENews March 2024 - noted</p> <p>d) Beadnell PC – Double Tax for 2nd Homes – the petition had been circulated for PC to complete to request NCC ensures any extra monies is kept within the communities that are most affected by 2<sup>nd</sup> homes.</p> <p>e) Martin Swinbank – Proposed Alnwick Banks Closure - see item 8 above.</p> <p>f) Cynthia Harmieson – Unemptied Waste Bins, Curly Lane – ET confirmed this had been reported to NCC and promptly emptied.</p> <p>g) Rebecca Noble – Lamping at Lesbury/Snares – MS/AH had assisted with this complaint and N’land Estate’s gamekeeping team have confirmed there are no snares used next to any residential properties. Further pest control activities may take place after harvest, and local residents can have their names added to a WhatsApp group to be given advance notice. N’land Estates have also confirmed any pest or predator control carried out by the Estate complies with legal requirements and best practice.</p> <p>h) Hospice Care – Grant Thank You - noted</p> <p>i) Bailiffgate Museum – Grant Request – it was proposed to award a grant of £100 DK proposed, AH 2<sup>nd</sup> and all agreed.</p> <p>j) NCC North N’land Local Area Committee - 28/3/24, 6pm, Alnwick - noted.</p>	<b>ALL</b>
11.	<p><b>Parish Financial Matters</b></p> <p>a) Zurich (Parish Council Annual Insurance) - £721.61 - agreed</p> <p>b) N’land Estates (Annual Rent Car Park, Lesbury Post Office) - £25 - agreed</p> <p>c) Clerk (Feb Wages) - £418.03 - agreed</p> <p>d) HMRC (Feb PAYE) - £97.00 - agreed</p> <p>e) Lesbury In Bloom (Plants) - £81.00 - agreed</p> <p>f) Annual Grant - St Mary’s Church - £500 – agreed</p> <p>It was agreed before Lloyds Bank in Alnwick closes, the PC changes to online banking. JH/DK and PT as bank signatories to progress. PT flagged she would step down as signatory so a new 3<sup>rd</sup> signatory is required.</p>	<b>JH</b>
12.	<p><b>Pond Field Play Area</b></p> <p>MC confirmed the Playdale Engineer was due to inspect the Pond Field Play Area and make recommendations. The cost of this would be £150 + VAT, which had been previously agreed by the PC. ET confirmed the VAT could be reclaimed. A VAT invoice would be required made out to Lesbury Parish Council. MC to investigate if payment by cheque was acceptable.</p>	<b>AM/MC</b>
13.	<p><b>Any Other Matters for Discussion</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MS advised 4 mayoral candidates for the NE Mayoral Elections would be in attendance at a meeting on 3/4/24 at 7.30pm at St James Church, Alnwick</li> <li>• JuH confirmed the Community Shop had organised for NCC to move the rubbish bin from outside the Post Office to next to the grit bin by the Post Office Car Park. ET advised NCC had been in touch to advise the dog bin</li> </ul>	

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	located there would now be removed as it was broken and the litter bin could now be used for both litter/dog waste instead. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• JuH advised the Community Shoop had held it's AGM on 20/3/24. The minutes would be publicly available soon but the shop was going well and had made a small surplus. The PC thanked everyone involved for their hard work and efforts in re-instating this important facility for the community.</li><li>• AH reported the water leak outside Lealands Garden had now been fixed.</li></ul>	
14.	<b>NEXT MEETING:</b> 7.30pm – Tuesday 23 April 2024 – Lesbury Village Hall	<b>ALL</b>

The meeting concluded at 8.36pm.

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