



## Coxhoe Parish Council

Meeting: **Extraordinary Meeting**

Date & Time: Tuesday 19 November 2020 6.00pm

Venue: via Zoom

Councillors present:

S Dunn (Chair); D Brown (part of the meeting); N Brown; A Hedley; W Lavelle; K Lowes; K Simpson (Vice Chair).

Also present: County Councillor M McKeon; J Harvey Durham County Council; M Ogilvie Durham Police; R Dickens Durham Police; C Llewelyn, Parish Clerk and A Searle Admin Officer.

Four members of the public were present.

### **800 Zoom meeting information and Parish Council Public Participation Policy**

The Chair reminded all present of the Parish Council's Public Participation Policy and gave some guidelines for remote meetings.

### **801 To note apologies**

Apologies were given from Councillors I Armstrong; J Slater and C Thirlaway, and from M Frost and G Jackson from Durham County Council. It was **Resolved** the apologies were noted.

### **802 Declarations of interest in items on the agenda**

No interests were declared.

### **803 Public Participation**

Cllr Dunn advised the member of the public would be able to have their say.

### **804 Consideration of CCTV provision in Coxhoe**

Councillor Dunn had circulated a report.

a) To receive information and ask questions of the County Council's Telecare and CCTV Manager and representatives of the Police.

J Harvey the County Council's Telecare and CCTV Manager provided information and guidance on the operational requirements of installation and monitoring of CCTV. This is a complex area with legal and regulatory frameworks which must be followed by those who can access the information collected by the cameras. It requires policies and security to ensure only those who are supposed to, can access contents and a data controller is required. M Ogilvie representative from Durham Police advised CCTV is valuable but does not always give clear evidence to prosecute and from a police perspective Coxhoe does have anti-social behaviour issues but in comparison to some other villages is on a lot smaller scale.

The following were **Resolved**:

(1) To note the report provided.

(2) To note the receipt of information and responses from the County Council's Telecare Control and CCTV Manager and representatives of the Police.

b) To consider the provision of CCTV in Coxhoe.

Costs and potential issues such as technical implications to link up with Durham County Council's control room at Chilton were discussed. The benefits of having the CCTV for the community and businesses in Coxhoe and other options for security were discussed regarding lighting of pathways, as justification needs to be sought before any installation of CCTV could be considered.

The following were **Resolved**:

(1) To agree to investigate the benefits and implications including full costings of the provision of CCTV in Coxhoe.

(2) To look at other options of security around the village.

(3) To agree delegation to the Clerk, with the Chair and Vice Chair to continue investigation.

The meeting ended at 7.45pm.