

Cotherstone Parish Council – Action Log updated 1 October 2019

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September 2018	New noticeboard at east of village	Exploration of installing new noticeboard next to telephone kiosk	<p>9/9/19 James Bennett, Clean & Green Manager advised that land is owned by Northstar Housing.</p> <p>11/9/19 Agreed at PC meeting that Clerk write to Northstar Housing seeking permission to install noticeboard on site of telephone kiosk once it is removed.</p> <p>23/9/19 Clerk emailed North Star Housing seeking permission.</p>			
November 2018	Tree inspections	Query raised over liability for tree safety and inspection regime	<p>Tree risk assessment and recommendations on agenda for discussion 11 September.</p> <p>28/9/19 Clerk emailed request for (1) 5-year cycle of inspections for Very High (x2) and High risk trees (x7), and (2) detailed Autumn inspection of Very High risk trees (x2) near Hagg House. Companies invited to quote: All About Trees, Denra Consulting, Olivers Tree Services and C M Tree Care Ltd.</p>			
-	Teesdale Way footpath	Broken down 5-10yd length of fence exposing 60ft drop to river, opposite The Mill on FP76, close to the 'Tomb'	29/7 Email from MM – damaged railing, and one showing signs of rot, will be replaced and some of the steps just north of this will be dug out where soil slips down onto one side of them. On trees against bridge piers – information passed to Bridges section for inspection and noted that the branch on the Balder footbridge has become loose/been shifted. On fencing up at Mill Top – as it's some 8m from the footpath it's not considered high risk, but if feasible, will try to get a new post in to get the original fence back up when doing work on the other railings.			
March 2019	Cemetery	Anomalies between Exclusive Rights of Burial Grants and Cemetery Plan	Clerk to attempt to resolve			
-	Lifebelt at The Hagg	Lifebelt, casing and signage all in need of maintenance/replacement	<p>8/7 Clerk emailed (Barrie Alderson) asking for documentary evidence of the transfer of responsibility</p> <p>29/7 Clerk spoke with Barrie Alderson who suggested writing to Joel Coad (DCC Health and Safety). Email sent repeating previous request.</p> <p>31/7 Email from Kevin Lough (DCC Occupational Health and Safety Manager) with copy of letter sent 24/2/17 to landowner at Shrewbury address.</p> <p>1/8 Clerk emailed Dr Robertson asking if this information sheds any light on the issue; then forwarded the letter; then received copy of email from Dr Robertson to DCC asking if they will honour the 2017 offer of free inspection and upgrade.</p>			

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			28/9/19 Clerk emailed Kevin Lough, with images of the equipment showing that it's freestanding on land owned by the PC, and requesting clarity on responsibility given that Teesdale District Council's responsibilities for maintenance and upgrading surely to DCC in 2009.			
June 2019	Danger outside Cotherstone School	Congestion/parking/risk, particularly caused by traffic approaching from Lartington direction	16/6 Clerk emailed Lee Mowbray requesting that yellow zig-zag lines be refreshed and extended slight towards the Moor Road 10/7 Clerk chased Lee Mowbray 1/8 Ditto. 11/9/19 Ditto.			
June 2019	Dog waste bins	New dog bin requests	16/6 Clerk submitted request for bins at three points where Tees Railway Walk crosses roads – B6277 near Birkett Close, the Moor Road and Briscoe Lane. Case 124972791. 16/6 Clerk emailed resident advising of above action and drawing attention to the PC's efforts with 'pick up your dog's poo' posters 8/8 Clerk chases James Bennett, Manager of Clean & Green team by email. 9/9/19 James Bennett advised that new bin will be installed 'this week'.			
June 2019	B6277 Road surface	Condition is very poor and deteriorating	16/6 Clerk submitted resurfacing request Case 124974482. 17/6 Clerk received call from Charlotte Wilkinson, DCC Highways – resurfacing right through the village has been identified as needed and designers are working on the scheme now. Hopefully will be carried out within this financial year.			
July 2019	Hagg Scar footpath	Request to permanently close because of dangerous condition	11/7 Clerk emailed Mike Murden (DCC) requesting immediate and permanent closure of the footpath due to the very dangerous, inaccessible condition. Also removal of fingerpost. 11/9/19 Clerk spoke with Mike Murden who promised to look into this.			
September 2019	Street lighting	Light at lamppost #7 (Ashbourne House) permanently off	12/9/19 Clerk reported. Case ref. 143245872. 16/9/19 Email received – now resolved and case closed.			
September 2019	Footpath obstruction	FP101 parallel to Moor Road	14/9/19 Clerk reported. Case ref. 143648834.			
September 2019	Footpath obstruction	FP71 between Railway Path and the village	14/9/19 Clerk reported. Case ref. 143649146.			