

**MEETING OF GRINDALE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE CHURCH ROOM
GRINDALE ON MONDAY 29TH JUNE 2015 AT 7.30PM**

PRESENT: Cllrs D W Atkinson, R A Atkinson, H Bingley, R Fletcher, G Kirk
and J Taylor

APOLOGIES: An apology for absence was received from Cllr R Jackson

MINUTES: The minutes of the meeting held on the 11th November 2014 were read and all agreed that they be signed as a true record.

MATTERS ARISING: None

PLANNING APPLICATION: Application No 15/01548/PLF Argham Fields Free Range Egg Unit, Bartindale Road – Erection of a free range egg unit with associated feed bins and hardstanding. Having reviewed the plans and following some discussion it was unanimously agreed that the Planning Authority be advised that the Parish Council did not wish to make any recommendation regarding this application, but that they be asked to note that there is a concern with the continuing expansion of this site and what this might lead to, e.g. an additional wind turbine, increased traffic on local roads etc.

REVISED STANDING ORDERS: Councillors considered in detail the document “Model Standing Orders for Smaller Parish Councils”, compiled by the Northumberland Association of Local Councils, which had been circulated at the Annual General Meeting. Following some minor amendments to this document to take account of local practice, R Atkinson proposed, seconded by R Fletcher and all agreed, that the amended document be adopted as the Standing Orders for Grindale Parish Council with immediate effect.

TERRAPINS IN THE MERE: A concern had been raised at the Annual Parish Meeting with regard to terrapins living in the mere and the risks these posed to the natural life of the mere. It was generally agreed that, as these are not naturally found in British ponds, it would be preferable for them to be removed, but how this might be done and who could advise or help was not known. It was agreed that the Clerk try contacting the ERYC’s Environmental Health department for advice.

A.O.B. None.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared closed at 8.25 pm.

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Chairman