

CORNFORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of Cornforth Parish Council held at Cornforth
Community Centre on Tuesday 13th August 2002 at 7.00 p.m.

Present: Councillor Mr. W. R. Wilson Chairman

Councillors: Mrs. H. P. Drew, Mr. K. Howard, Mr. B. Kennedy, Mrs. I. M. Kennedy, Mr. L. Ord,
Mr. H. A. Robson, Mrs. S. Traynor, Mrs. P. M. Walker, Ms. C. Warbis and Mrs. A.
Woodhall.

Representatives of The Cornforth Partnership: Mr. A. Hodgson, Chairman and Mr. R. Sunman
Project Co-ordinator.

Apologies: Councillors: Mr. A. Denholm, Dr. S. C. Drew, Mrs. A. Howard and Mr. A. Mould.

CORNFORTH CONSERVATION AREA STUDY - DRAFT

Mr. Bill Katakay, Design and Conservation Officer, Sedgefield Borough Council was in attendance at the meeting and presented to Members of the Parish Council and representatives of The Cornforth Partnership the draft Cornforth Conservation Area Study. Mr. Katakay then answered questions and discussed at length issues raised by the representatives present.

RESOLVED: That the study be welcomed as a basis for progressing issues affecting the Conservation Area and the following comments be made on the initial draft:-

- 1 The problem of car parking on the village green should be examined in the report.
- 2 Traffic calming measures should be considered at the southern entrance to the conservation area.
- 3 Measures to prevent encroachment of the village green should be suggested in the report as alternatives to the existing concrete bollards.
- 4 The "green footpath" to the rear of Glebe Villas was formerly public footpath No. 8 Cornforth Parish. This public footpath was formally diverted through Holy Trinity Churchyard in 1985. It would not be appropriate or practical to provide access to the village green at this point as the land is now developed for housing purposes.
- 5 External funding sources to be fully explored to contribute to the cost of implementing proposals contained in the report.
- 6 The grass verges at the northern access to the conservation area (section from Bridge Road to Village Green) encroach into the road limiting access to virtually single track at times. Reference could be made in the report to this problem and a permanent solution advocated.
- 7 With reference to the introduction of additional trees into the conservation it is considered that this should be restricted to native species, strictly limited in number and only undertaken following consultation with neighbouring residents.



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