

Holme East Waver Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council Held in the Parish Hall, Newton Arlosh on Thursday 13th July 2017 at 7.30pm.

Present: Vice Chairman Bell
Councillors: Logan, Roper and Stockdale.
County Councillor: Markley.
Public attendance: None
Clerk: M Abbs

1.1 Apologies for absence and declarations of interest.

Cllrs Hodgson and Wallace had sent the clerk apologies for absence and the reasons were accepted as fair reasons. Borough Cllr Hedworth and PCSO Nichol had also sent apologies.

REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

The clerk to report any requests received since the previous meeting for dispensations to speak and/or vote on any matter where a member has a disclosable pecuniary interest.

An on-going dispensation is in force with regard to the Precept.
No additional dispensation requests were received.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive declarations by elected and co-opted members of interests in respect of items on this agenda.

Cllr Bell declared an interest with regard to item 8.3.1

Members are reminded that, in accordance with the revised Code of Conduct, they are required to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests or other registrable interests which have not already been declared in the Council's Register of Interests. (It is a criminal offence not to declare a disclosable pecuniary interest either in the Register or at the meeting.)

Members may, however, also decide, in the interests of clarity and transparency, to declare at this point in the meeting, any such disclosable pecuniary interests which they have already declared in the Register, as well as any other registrable or other interests.

If a Member requires advice on any item involving a possible declaration of interest which could affect his/her ability to speak and/or vote, he/she is advised to contact the clerk at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting.

2 Minutes

2.1 To approve the draft minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held on 11th May 2017. (previously circulated)

3 Report on action taken...

3.1 ...by members of the Council

Cllr Logan reported that four bags of rubbish near Wylie Cottage had been reported to Allerdale BC.

3.2 ...by the clerk

The clerk advised that relevant items would be mentioned later in the meeting.

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3.3 Public participation. (at the chairman's discretion)

The Chairman invited Cllr Markley to give his report at this point.

The County Council had had its first meeting following the election and the formation of the administration. He outlined his responsibilities within it. Significant Highways spending on maintenance and repair will occur in the forthcoming year which could result in some local disruption. He was not aware of any major local issues but re-iterated his willingness to assist with any matters that might arise.

Cllr Markley was thanked for his report then left the meeting.

4 Correspondence

To review correspondence received and take any appropriate action.

4.1 AON – confirmation of Insurance Renewal.

The clerk advised that a somewhat delayed confirmation had been received. – **noted.**

4.2 Connecting Cumbria Broadband update.

Cllr Logan reported that he believed that power had now been taken to the new Broadband box but he was not aware of any further developments. The clerk said he would make enquiries. – **noted.**

4.3 Seafarers UK – Merchant Navy Day information.

The clerk provided details which were **noted without action.**

4.4 Citizens Advice Allerdale – request for support.

The clerk provided details which were **noted without action.**

4.5 NALC – reform of data protection legislation.

The clerk provided details which he felt had little impact on the Council. These were **noted without action.**

4.6 Smaller Authorities Audit Appointments – audit fees.

The clerk provided details which were **noted.**

4.7 Chief Constable Cumbria Constabulary – Engagement with Parish Councils.

The clerk provided details which were **noted.**

4.8 Local Government Boundary Commission – final recommendations for 2019 elections.

The clerk provided details which were **noted without action.**

4.9 ACTion – Household Emergency Planning leaflets.

The clerk handed out the sample leaflets he had received which were **noted without action.**

5 New business

5.1 Playground – report on developments since last meeting and current situation.

Cllrs discussed the condition of the Playground and considered it to be in a satisfactory condition with no urgent matters requiring attention. It was **noted** that the grass was being cut more regularly this year.

5.2 Newton Arlosh Traffic Survey.

There had been no further developments and it was **agreed** that the item could be removed from future agendas.

5.3 Possible consideration of BDO Audit documents and examination of any matters arising.

The clerk confirmed that the Audit documents had been sent off and received by the Audit Company by the required date and that no communication had taken place with them since. The required documents had been posted on the local notice board and website. – **noted.**

5.4 Notice board – current situation and purchase decision.

Cllrs Stockdale and Bell confirmed that the possible re-location of the board and desired specification had been discussed with the Parish Hall Committee. Following discussion Cllrs selected a board from a previous quote and Cllr Bell would obtain final approval of it from the Chairman of the Parish Hall Committee. It was **agreed** that up to £600, excluding VAT, could be spent on the purchase.

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6 Finance

6.1 Information

6.1.1 **To approve accounts** to 31st May 2017 – **approved.**

6.1.2 **To approve accounts** to 30th June 2017 (available at meeting). – **approved.**

6.1.3 HMRC VAT repayment **£246.70** – noted.

6.2 To approve the following payments

6.2.1- Clerk: salary **£317.50** – **approved.**

6.2.2 – Clerk: expenses: phone and broadband £13.25, postage etc. £8.49, mileage 32 miles at 36p /mile £11.52 Total **£33.26** – **approved.**

6.2.3 – Chairman’s Allowance **£30.00** – **approved.**

6.2.4 - Colvilles Grounds Maintenance (£33.45 VAT) **£200.67**– **approved.**

Invoices for later cuts may be brought to the meeting.

The clerk confirmed that all received invoices had been included on the agenda.

6.2.5 Allerdale BC: Play area inspection (£56.00 + ££11.20 VAT) **£67.20**– **approved.**

6.2.6 Bowness on Solway PC – Share of consumables **£23.66** – **approved.**

7 Highways

7.1 Highways steward

Cllr Logan had no additional items to report.

7.2 Report from clerk on outstanding matters.

The clerk confirmed that the need for maintenance to the fingerposts had been reported but he had heard nothing further to date. **-noted.**

8 Planning.

8.1 Applications on which Allerdale BC decision is awaited.

8.1.1 – 2/2015/0470 Outline application for the erection of 10 dwellings etc. West Farm, Newton Arlosh. (Mr J Atkinson)

8.1.2 – 2/2017/0154 Conversion of barn to create 2 bed annex, Church House Farm, Newton Arlosh (Mr R Masters)

The above were **noted.**

8.2 Applications decided by Allerdale BC.

8.2.1 – 2/2017/0154 Conversion of barn to create 2 bed annex, Church House Farm, Newton Arlosh (Mr R Masters) – permission granted. The clerk apologised for the previous erroneous inclusion of this item **noted.**

8.3 Applications dealt with under standing order

8.3.1 – 2/2017/0315 Proposed replacement slurry tower to replace existing dilapidated slurry tower, Newewater Farm, Kirkbride. (Mr R Bell).

The clerk confirmed that Cllr Bell had declared an interest and took no part in the decision making process which had resulted in a view of ‘no objections’ being sent to the Authority. – **noted.**

8.3.2 – 2/2017/0304 Erection of slurry store, Moss Side House, Newton Arlosh. (Mr D Reed)

A view of ‘no objections’ had been sent to the Authority. – **noted.**

8.4 Applications to be considered at this meeting.

None – **noted.**

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9.1 Documents received for comment

None – **noted**.

9.2 Documents received for information (available on request to clerk)

9.2.1 CALC Circulars.

9.2.2 ACT Gazette Issue 27 Summer 2017.

All the above were **noted**.

10.1 Any information brought by members of the Council

No additional items were raised.

10.2 Any information brought by Borough Councillor. – absent.

10.3 Any information brought by County Councillor

The report had been given earlier.

10.4 Any information from the clerk too late for the agenda.

No items were mentioned.

10.5 Police report

The clerk gave the report which advised that there were no offences to report since the last meeting.

11 Meeting dates.

11.1 Date of next meeting.

14th September 2017 at 7.30 p.m. in Newton Arlosh Parish Hall.

11.2 Future date:

9th November 2017 at 7.30p.m. in Newton Arlosh Parish Hall.

The dates were noted and the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.50p.m.