

Holme East Waver Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council Held in the Parish Hall, Newton Arlosh on Thursday 8th September 2016 at 7.30pm.

Present: Vice Chairman Bell (Chair)
Councillors: Logan, Roper and Stockdale.
Borough Cllr Hedworth.
Clerk: M Abbs
There was no public attendance.

1.1 Apologies for absence and declarations of interest.

The clerk advised that apologies had been received from Cllr Wallace and PCSO Peter Nichol.

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 made.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

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 meeting of the Parish Council held on 14th July 2016. (previously circulated) – **approved and signed.**

3 Report on action taken...

3.1 ...by members of the Council

No matters were reported.

3.2 ...by the clerk

The clerk confirmed that all legal requirements of the Transparency Code had been met including the publication of the required notices.

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

Cllr Hedworth advised Cllrs of the ongoing work he was aware of concerning Broadband. He offered to assist the Council in any way he could.

4 Correspondence

To review correspondence received and take any appropriate action.

4.1 Broadband update.

Details were given by the clerk of a meeting arranged by Mrs Hayman MP with a Director of British Telecom to which a Council representative had been invited. Cllr Logan advised that he would attend. – **noted**.

4.2 Footway Lighting - Current situation.

Cllrs discussed the latest communications from Allerdale BC and a local resident concerning the latest light in the village.

It was **agreed** that the clerk should advise both it feels that it is unable to take any further action.

The Council had always considered the light to be a replacement and does not wish to see it made part time, or turn the light off permanently.

The Councillors feel that the light significantly improves the safety of the area for pedestrians and traffic.

4.3 Transparency Code (via CALC) – General briefing note and questionnaire.

Website update.

The clerk confirmed that he had been in contact with the website designer and hoped to have significant news to report at the next meeting. He **was instructed and authorised** again to take this matter forward with Cllr Bell.

4.4 Pension Regulator – Automatic enrolment declaration.

The clerk confirmed that the required statutory declaration had now been made and a copy delivered to the Chairman for inspection. – **noted**.

4.5 Wigton Aspatria Hound Trailing Committee – donation receipt for playground.

See item 6.1.5.

The Cllrs once again recorded their gratitude and the clerk confirmed that a letter of thanks had been sent. – **noted**.

5 New business

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

Including progress on repairs/improvements. And arrangement of inspection.

The playground was being inspected weekly and there were no urgent matters requiring attention. The inspection report was being circulated and the clerk was authorised to arrange the next annual inspection when approached by Allerdale BC.

The Council was still awaiting some assurances/clarification from Mr Holyoak before it was willing to accept his estimate for repairs. The clerk said he would raise the concerns again with the Chairman.

5.2 Newton Arlosh Traffic Survey.

The clerk advised that regrettably he had no news to report from the County Council concerning the long awaited survey.

5.3 Speeding vehicles in the Parish.

The clerk advised that he had been in contact with the Police with regard to the perceived speeding problem. Cllrs **agreed** and re-affirmed that they considered speeding vehicles to be a real problem in the village. They would welcome the temporary installation of a device by the Police to ascertain if there was a significant problem. Possible locations were discussed and the clerk instructed to liaise with the Police.

Cllr Hedworth left the meeting.

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5.4 Grass cutting specification for 2017.

Review of the current specification and tender procedure.

The existing specification was examined and discussed. It was **agreed** that no changes were necessary along with the contractors to be approached and invited to submit tenders. The clerk would consult Cllrs as to the suitability of other applicants if the Council was approached by other contractors wishing to submit tenders for the work.

5.5 Community Access Defibrillators.

The clerk had no further news to report following the public meeting with the North West Ambulance Service. The Community Group was believed to be progressing this matter now. – **noted**.

6 Finance

6.1 Information

6.1.1 **To approve accounts** to 31st July 2016 – **approved**.

6.1.2 **To approve accounts** to 30th August 2016 (available at meeting). – **approved**.

6.1.3 **To note and approve** -Allerdale BC – receipt of second Precept payment £3250 + £24.92 CTRS grant = **£3274.92**

Anticipated amount shown.

The clerk advised that no notification of payment had been received from the authority up to that point. He would monitor the situation closely and keep Cllrs updated.

6.1.4 **The acceptance and approval** of the BDO Audit Annual return and certificate.

The return and certificate were examined carefully and **accepted and approved**.

6.1.5 **To note and approve** the Wigton Aspatria Hound Trailing Committee donation **£100 – noted**.

See item 4.5

6.2 To approve the following payments

6.2.1- Clerk: salary **£300.30 – approved**.

6.2.2 - Expenses: stationary + postage etc. £22.49, tel £4, broadband £10.66 = £37.15, car mileage 24 miles at 36p/mile = £8.64 Total **£45.79 – approved**.

6.2.3 - Colvilles Grounds Maintenance (£ 55.74+ £11.15 VAT) **£66.89 – approved**.

Invoices for later cuts may be brought to the meeting.

6.2.4 – CALC – Transparency Code web documents upload **£15.00 – approved**.

7 Highways

7.1 Highways steward

No additional issues were raised.

7.2 Update on any developments concerning the road at the West End of the village.

Cllrs were not aware of the need for any further work.

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). – **noted**.

8.2 Applications decided by Allerdale BC.

None – noted.

8.3 Applications dealt with under standing order.

None – noted.

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8.4 Applications to be considered at this meeting.

None – **noted.**

9.1 Documents received for comment

9.1.1 North West Coastal Access Team – Gretna to Allonby consultation
Handled by Standing Order as consultation date was 19th September.

9.1.2 Allerdale Borough Council - Draft Housing Strategy 2016-2021.
Handled by Standing order as consultation date was 24 August.

The clerk confirmed that no responses had been submitted. – **noted.**

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

9.2.1 CALC Circulars.

9.2.2 Marmax products catalogue.

9.2.3 HAGS product information.

9.2.4 Printerbase product information.

All the above were **noted.**

10.1 Any information brought by members of the Council

No further information was given.

10.2 Any information brought by Borough Councillor.

Cllr Hedworth had given his report earlier.

10.3 Any information brought by County Councillor

Absent.

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

No further information was given.

10.5 Police report

The clerk gave the Police report.

11 Meeting dates.

11.1 Date of next meeting.

10th November 2016 at 7.30 p.m. in Newton Arlosh Village Hall.

11.2 Future date:

12th January 2017 at 7.30p.m. in Newton Arlosh Village Hall.

The dates were noted.

The Vice Chairman closed the meeting at 9.05p.m.