

Holme East Waver Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council Held in the Parish Hall, Newton Arlosh on Thursday 14th March 2019 at 7.30pm.

Present: Chairman V Hodgson

Councillors: Bell, Howe, Graham, Roper and Stockdale.

Borough Councillor: A Hedworth

County Councillor: Absent

Public attendance: None

Clerk: M Abbs

1.1 Apologies for absence and declarations of interest.

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.

No requests were made.

An on-going dispensation is in force with regard to the Precept.

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 meeting of the Parish Council held on Thursday 10th January 2019 – **approved and signed.**

3 Report on action taken...

3.1 ...by members of the Council

No matters were reported at this point.

3.2 ...by the clerk

The clerk advised that relevant matters would be reported later in the agenda.

3.3 **Public participation.** (At the chairman's discretion)

Cllr Hedworth informed Cllrs that the possible new stadium in Workington was proving to be extremely controversial.

He was thanked by the Chairman and he then left the meeting.

4 Correspondence

To review correspondence received and take any appropriate action.

4.1 Wigton Baths newsletter and request for support.

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

4.2 Allerdale BC – Letter concerning the Council Tax Base.

The clerk advised Cllrs of the information provided which was **noted.**

4.3 Allerdale Local Plan (Part 2) – Confirmation of submission to the Secretary of State for Public Examination.

The clerk advised Cllrs of the information provided which was **noted.**

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4.4 Pension Regulator - Declaration copy.

The clerk confirmed that the required declaration had been made to the regulator. - **noted.**

5 New business

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

Installation of new seats. Investigation of Astroturf.

Consideration of the Inspection Report if received in time.

The clerk advised that the Inspection Report had not been received yet.

Cllr Graham advised that, assisted by Mr Stockdale, weeds had been attended to alongside fence repairs. The hedge had been cut. Cllr Hodgson had installed the new seats for the swings. Cllrs expressed their gratitude. It was considered necessary to treat some of the wood in the playground and the purchase of materials **was authorised.**

Cllr Hodgson had obtained two quotations for the installation of Astroturf. These were discussed and considered to be beyond the financial resources of the Council, especially taking into account the relatively small number of parishioners that would benefit. The use of rubber chippings was ruled out. The clerk outlined the outcome of enquiries he had made into grant funding.

Alternatives were then discussed and Councillors **agreed** to measures to remedy the poor drainage and then provide a surface coating of wood chip. The Chairman said he would obtain some quotations to tackle the poor drainage and then provide a surface coating of wood chip.

5.2 Parish Council Auditor.

The clerk advised that he had been in touch with the Internal Auditor to arrange a date for the audit. Clerks had been informed by CALC that the External Auditor would be making contact at the end of March. – **noted.**

5.3 Arrangements for the Annual Parish Meeting.

Cllrs **confirmed** the previous unchanged arrangements for the meeting. The clerk would arrange for the meeting to be publicised in the Parish Magazine.

5.4 Election arrangements.

The clerk had given nomination packs to existing Cllrs and reminded them of the information/assistance that was available from the Democratic Services Department at Allerdale BC, and additionally, in the e-mails he had forwarded to them.

The clerk had no spare nomination packs and Cllrs were reminded to direct any prospective new Cllrs to Allerdale BC, who were responsible for the smooth running of the Election. -**noted.**

6 Finance

6.1 Information

6.1.1 To approve accounts to 31st January and possibly 28th February (available at the meeting) – **approved.**

6.2 To approve the following payments

6.2.1 Clerk: salary **£323.84 – approved.**

6.2.2 – Clerk: expenses: phone and broadband £25.48, postage etc. £27.41, mileage 44 miles at 36p /mile £15.84

Total **£68.73 – approved.**

6.2.3 Allerdale BC fee for playground inspection £56.00 + £11.20 VAT = **£67.20 – approved.**

6.2.4 Information Commissioner: by direct debit **£40.00 – approved.**

6.2.5 Chairman's Expenses (second payment) **£30.00 – approved.**

6.2.6 Wicksteed Leisure Ltd - playground equipment £156.41 + £31.68 VAT **£190.09 – approved.**

6.2.7 Bowness on Solway PC – share of consumables **£23.98 – approved.**

7 Highways

7.1 Highways Steward

Cllrs expressed concern about the deteriorating condition of the road near Ellercar and the clerk was asked to bring the matter to the attention of the Highways Authority again. Cllr Graham expressed his willingness to be a contact for the Authority, if necessary.

8 Planning.

8.1 Applications on which Allerdale BC decision is awaited.

8.1.1 – 2/2018/0322 Amendments - Outline application for the erection of 5 dwellings including access and layout, Dovedale, Newton Arlosh (Mr S Parry). – **noted.**

8.2 Applications decided by Allerdale BC and Cumbria CC.

None – **noted.**

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8.3 Applications dealt with under standing order

8.3.1 – RMA/2019/0001 Reserved Matters application following approval 2/2018/0156 for appearance landscaping layout and scale. Part Field 7800 Newton Arlosh. (Mr K Foster) – comment made on highways reversing traffic issue. The clerk had notified the Authority that there were no objections but pointed out the apparent need for cars to reverse onto the main road should approval be granted. – **noted**.

8.4 Applications to be considered at this meeting.

None – **noted**.

9.1 Documents received for comment.

None – **noted**.

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

9.2.1 CALC Circulars for February and March.

9.2.2 CALC – Allerdale Borough Council forthcoming three tier meeting.

9.2.3 HAGS – Playground Information.

9.2.4 A1 Arborist Information.

The above were **noted**.

10.1 Any information brought by members of the Council

Cllr Howe raised the current situation concerning the possible turning off of nearby land drainage pumps. Cllr Hodgson was able to provide details on the current situation.

10.2 Any information brought by Borough Councillor.

The report had been given earlier.

10.3 Any information brought by County Councillor.

Absent.

10.4 Any information from the clerk.

No matters were raised.

10.5 Police report

The clerk gave the report.

11 Meeting dates.

11.1 Date of next meeting Annual Parish Meeting followed by Parish Council Meeting on **Thursday 16th May 2019 at 7.00p.m in Newton Arlosh Village Hall**

11.2 Future date: **Thursday 18th July 2019 at 7.30p.m. in Newton Arlosh Village Hall**

The dates were noted and the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.15p.m.