

Wetheral Parish Council
Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday,
8th July 2015 at 7.30pm in the Club House, Wetheral

PRESENT

Chairman – M. Higginbotham

Councillors

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| B. Earp | I. Yates | M. Murray |
| S. Higgs | M. Nelson | D. Poole |
| P. Bainbridge | D. Hughes | M. Strickland |
| G. Round | C. Dodd. | D. Pattinson |

Also present; County Cllrs N Marriner, 6 residents of the Parish.(part)
Mrs. R Nemeth (co-option candidate- Great Corby)

42/15 Apologies for absence

Resolved to receive and accept apologies from Cllr Holmes, County Cllrs J Mallinson, Graham & District Cllr Parsons.

43/15 Minutes of the Council Meetings

- (i) **Resolved** to authorise the Chairman to sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 10th June 2015.
- (ii) **Resolved** to authorise the Chairman to sign, as a correct record, the minutes of a special meeting of Wednesday 1st July 2015.

44/15 Request for Dispensation

None were requested

45/15 Declarations of Interest

Cllr. Earp declared an interest in items relating to Carlisle City Council.

46/15 Public Participation

a. Residents

Residents of Wetheral village addressed the Council raising issues relating to Skelton House;

~ The contractor is continuing to build a 4th floor with lift housing and stairs to it. (Permission of 3 floors is granted)

~ Sky lights installed and terraces without permission.

~ Car parking spaces – allocated 24, this will not be adequate. The concerns are that the cars will spill onto the road as over flow parking. This road is already busy and congested.

~ Letters sent to the district council regarding this matter have not been responded to.

~The enforcement officer was contacted in April and still has yet to visit the site to take action.

~ The residents asked whether they are wasting their time and effort objecting to the developer's actions if nothing will be done by the District Council.

i) Resolved that in accordance to Standing Order 10.a. vi to change the order of business to consider Agenda item 13 (i) ;

(ii) Resolved to arrange meeting with the District Councils Chief Executive to express the views of the residents and the Parish Councillors in relation to development at Skelton House, Wetheral.

b. Councillor reports

~ Cllr Marriner informed the members that the signage at the Brampton road-about and M6 Junction 44 would be replaced to direct traffic along the A689 rather than the A69.

~ There will be traffic lights on the A69 which will cause problems over the next few weeks, even more so as there are traffic lights on the A689.

~ A feasibility study will be undertaken on ways to improve the route from Hexham to the M6 shortly.

47/15 Co-option of Councillor

(i) **Resolved** to co-opt Rebecca Nemeth as councillor for the Great Corby Ward, the declaration of acceptance of office was signed and Cllr Nemeth was invited to join the meeting.

(ii) **Resolved** to appoint Cllr Poole as mentor for Cllr Strickland.

(iii) **Resolved** to appoint Cllr Holmes as mentor for Cllr Nemeth.

48/15 Club House

Members received an update following a meeting of the Wetheral Playing Fields Association held on Tuesday 30th June 2015.

49/15. Minutes of Committee Meetings & Working Groups

Resolved to receive the minutes of the following Committee meetings/ working groups and to accept any recommendations contained therein;

(i) **Planning Committee** meeting held on Monday 29th June 2015.

a. Planning Applications Considered;

1. App 15/0583 Queen Arms Inn, Warwick on Eden

Erection of single storey extension to provide new lounge/toilets and beer store.

Resolved – No Observations.

2. App 15/0609 Hollygarth 10 The Orchard, Great Corby

Change in roof detail, previously approved 11/0852.

Resolved – No Observations.

(ii) **Community Assets working group** meeting held on Wednesday 24th June 2015.

Resolved to remove a number of assets recommended by the working group as they would have other mechanisms to give them greater protection. A revised list of proposed assets to be circulated to members, if there are further comments, these should be sent to the Clerk by 20th July 2015.

(iii) **Special Meeting of the Full Council** – To consider the payment for the replacement vinyl and removal of existing in the shower areas. Minute 41/15b. **Resolved** to obtain exact cost for the flooring; on receipt Cllr Pattinson to arrange a meeting with the architect and Mr Williamson (QS) to discuss the options for payment.

50/15 Bank Reconciliation

Resolved to receive and approve the bank reconciliation 30th June 2015 of;

Current Account £ 26,112.17

Deposit Account £ 124,820.12

Gratuity Account £ 3,174.04

Cumberland BS £ 1000.00

Balance at the bank £ 156,147.16

(ii) To note receipt of £50,000 s106 from the Steading development, Scotby.

(iii) Notification received of payment in July of the Concurrent grant of £11,222.00.

51/15 Payment of Accounts

Resolved to authorise payment of the accounts listed in the schedule of cheques dated 8th July 2015

VIN(69-90) Totalling £7,359.89

52/15 Village Playgrounds- Noted

(i) Scotby – Multi use games area installation commences 13th July 2015 followed by the multi activity unit with the remaining equipment in the 2nd phase which will be late summer. All funds for the play area are from external sources, not the Parish Council.

(ii) Great Corby – The funds are in place and once planning permission is granted the installation can proceed. Hopefully mid-summer.

(iii) Cumwhinton – notification from the previous land owner has not been received as yet. This will cause further delays. It is likely that the installation will be early autumn, subject to planning consent.

Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer Sue Tarrant

08.07.15

(iv) No smoking in village playgrounds- **Resolved** to approve in principle to have “no smoking” in fenced village playgrounds.

Councillor Representatives on playground committees to make contact with the relevant member informing the playground committee of the Councils request.

53/15 External Representation

Resolved to receive reports from Parish Council representatives on outside bodies

(i) Cllr Hughes -Hartley Trust AGM- Noted that the donation towards the play area has increased to £5000.00.

(ii) Cllr Pattinson -Thomas Graham Trust AGM

(iii)Cllr Higginbotham- CPCA Meeting 18-06.15, Clerk to circulate.

(iv) Cllr Earp – TVRUG meeting, report circulated at the meeting.

(v) Cllr Murray- Community Grants Panel, £1000 was awarded to the repair of the Maypole, Wetheral village green.

54/15 Schedule of Correspondence, Notices and Publications

Schedule of correspondence, notices and publications received since the last meeting and not on the agenda.

(i) Noted - Carlisle & District Local Plan 2015-30, confirmation of submission to the Secretary of State.

(iii) Noted- Smith Gore invitation to a public exhibition event – land to the west of Steele’s Bank, Wetheral. Members to attend, the consensus is that housing for the elderly is required primarily bungalows. Clerk to make a request the County Council to change the name of the road, it is very confusing as residents refer to the entrance to the village from Warwick Bridge as Steele’s Bank not the exit.

(iv) Fly a flag for Commonwealth 14th March 2016 – Clerk to cost a flag pole and report back to the Council.

55/15 Councillor Matters*

An opportunity for Councillors to raise issues, not on this agenda, on behalf of residents in their wards.

- ***N.B. No decisions can be taken on these matters but the Clerk may make investigations and / or they may be placed on the agenda of a future Council or committee meeting.***
- Bus Shelters – A69
- Footpath requested from Quentin Gardens, Cumwhinton to the village green
- Removal of the Parish Council notice from the building at Down-a-Gate.
- Village hall verge; bollards?

Date of next meeting of the Council – 12th August 2015