Wetheral Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday, 8th February 2017 at 7.30pm in the Club House, Wetheral

PRESENT

Chairman – M. Higginbotham

Councillors

B. Earp C. Dodd D. Hughes I. Evans (part)
J. Melrose-Woodman D Pattinson L. Graham P. Bainbridge

J. Searle D. Poole S. Higgs

Also present; County Cllr. N. Marriner and District Cllr. Parsons.

135/16 Apologies for absence

Resolved to receive and accept apologies from Cllrs Round & Nemeth, County Cllrs Mallinson & W. Graham.

136/16 Minutes of the Meeting of the Council, 11th January 2017

Resolved to authorise the Chairman to sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 11th January 2017.

137/16 Request for Dispensation

None were requested

138/16 Declarations of Interest

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

139/16Public Participation

a. Residents

No residents were present.

- b. Councillor Reports-
 - ~Cllr Earp reported that the Conservation and Heritage Officer is reviewing the conservation areas in Scotby. **Resolved** to ask the Officer to make a short presentation prior to the AGM of the Parish Council and to hold the meeting in Scotby to allow local residents affected to attend.
 - ~ Cllr Marriner; still waiting for the feasibility report from Shona Johnston (Dept. of Transport)
 - ~ B6263 should be completed by May 2017.
 - ~ Resident concern; the access and exit to Scotby Rd, from the A69 is both confusing and dangerous. Cllr Marriner stressed that this road is operated by Road link not the County Council; Clerk to liaise with Road link and Cllr Marriner on this matter.
 - ~ Damage to the verges/tarmac edge of the road through Wetheral Pasture to Eden Brows, nothing will be done to repair this until the construction work has ceased at Eden Brows. Cllr Parsons; an ongoing issue in the Beeches, Gt Corby with the street lighting. Noted that the S106 had been invoiced to the developer of King George Court, Warwick Bridge for £5000 towards outdoor play for the Down-a-Gate Centre.

140/16 Co-option of Councillor

(i) Resolved to co-opt Ivor Evans as the ward Councillor for the Great Corby Ward.

Cllr Evans was asked to join members of the council and the declaration of acceptance of office was signed.

(ii) **Resolved** to appoint Cllr Dodd as mentor for Cllr Evans.

141/16 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) **Rights of Way Committee** held on Tuesday 17th January 2017 Concerns regarding representation from the other wards as only 3 Cllrs were present.
- (ii) Cemetery Committee meeting held on 31st January 2017 Specifically:

New Ground's man- Mick Frost is working alongside Steve Bamber and us settling well.

The woodland cemetery will be marked out in April and the fees will be reviewed prior to the May meeting.

No burials will be offered at weekends and bank holidays.

Cllr Earp reported that the City Council are no longer charging for burials of persons under the age of 17 years and it's likely that they will be asking the Parish Councils to do the same.

- (iii) Emergency Planning working group held on 30th January 2017
- (iv) Planning Committee held on 6th February 2017.
 - a. Planning Application considered;

App 17/00053 63 Scotby road, Scotby

Erection of garage

Resolved No Observations

142/16 Bank Reconciliation

(i) **Resolved** to receive and note the bank balances to 31st January 2017

HSBC Current Account closed
Cumberland BS £ 6,000.00
Barclays Bank Current £99,007.84
Barclays Premium £7,456.56

Balance at the bank £112,764.23 (inc outstanding banking & payments)

(i)Noted the receipt of Carlisle City Council grants form Cllrs Earp & Higgs of £1275.00

143/16 Payment of Accounts

(i)**Resolved** to authorise payment of the accounts listed in the schedule of cheques dated 8th February 2017, VIN 196-220 £10,362.23.

144/16 Warwick on Eden Play Area

- (i) Resolved to approve entering into a lease agreement with Mr J Carr, for the Warwick on Eden Play area for a period of 20 years; subject to legal advice.
- (ii) Ward members to liaise with the Clerk to set up a management committee and to contact the Queen Inn requesting their involvement.

145/16 Financial Matters to Consider

- i) **Resolved** to receive the Financial Review and forecast to date; showing a year end out turn of £65,000.
- ii) Internal Auditors report and consider the recommendations made therein; Clerk to e-mail the report.
- iii) Resolved to defer consideration of the grant application from Holy Trinity Church, Wetheral for flood defense measures and suggest that they contact Cumbria Community Foundation.
- iv) <u>Resolved</u> to grant an easement to McKnight & Son at the Strand, Aglionby for the installation of a new electrical supply. Clerk to instruct the Council's solicitor to proceed with the arrangement and request that a legal agreement is made to include the on-going maintenance of the Strand, Aglionby.
- (v) **Resolved** to approve the Club House & Playing Fields Lease, Wetheral in principal incorporating the amendments recommend by Cllr Pattinson.

146/12 External Representation

Resolved to receive reports from Parish Council representatives on outside bodies.

~ Cllr Melrose- Woodman attended a meeting of the Wetheral Village Hall, minutes to be circulated.

Cllr L Graham offered his assistance with the CCTV system.

Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer Sue Tarrant

~ Cllr Earp attended a meeting of the Tyne Valley Community Rail Partnership, minutes to be circulated.

147/16 Schedule of Correspondence, Notices and Publications

Resolved to receive and note the schedule of correspondence, notices and publications received since the last meeting and not on the agenda.

- (i) Church Commissioners; consultation for and against the proposed union of parishes; The Parish of Wetheral with Warwick.
- (ii) CALC Pre- Election Guidance.

147/16 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.
- Complaints regarding parking on the pavement in Warwick on Eden from the Queens and when there are meetings held close by.
- Light still out in Gt Corby
- Cumwhinton; drop kerb and manhole damaged.
- Junction 42, sign to include Cumwhinton
- Signs on the road from Scotby to Cumwhinton the 30mph sign position
- Speeding in Cumwhinton
- Additional street light required in Warwick on Eden
- Glebe- damaged sandstone pavement
- Cllr Round has not been contacted regarding the speed gun training
- Concern with the volume of traffic on School rd, Cumwhinton.

Date of next meeting of the Council – March 8th 2017.