Wetheral Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday, 9th August 2017 at 7.30pm in the Club House, Wetheral

PRESENT

Chairman - C. Dodd

Councillors

B. Earp J. Melrose - Woodman I. Evans M. Higginbotham D. Hughes

J. Searle R. Nemeth

G. Round D. Pattinson D. Poole S. Higgs

Also present; County Cllrs J Mallinson & District Cllr Parsons.

48/17 Apologies for absence

<u>Resolved</u> to receive and accept apologies from Cllrs. L. Graham, Routledge & Bainbridge & County Cllr W. Graham & Marriner.

49/17 Minutes of the Meeting held on Annual Meeting of the Council of 12th July 2017.

- a. **Resolved** to authorise the Chairman to sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 12th July 2017, subject to the correction of grammatical errors.
- b. **Resolved** to authorise the Chairman to sign, as a correct record, the part B minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 12th July 2017. Copies of the letter from the Crusaders and the Councils reply to be uploaded to the Councils website to accompany these minutes.

50/17 Request for Dispensation

None were requested

51/17 Declarations of Interest

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

52/17 Public Participation

a. Residents

No public were present.

b. Councillor Reports

Cllr Higgs, met with the dog warden to visit areas that had been identified as problematic, arrangements can be made for other areas to be visited. Contact information to be circulated.

53/17 Minutes of Committee Meetings & Working Groups

- a. **Resolved** to receive the minutes of the following Committee meetings/ working groups and to accept recommendations contained therein;
- (i) **Planning Committee** meeting held on 31st July 2017.
- (ii) Rights of Way Committee meeting held on 18th July 2017

Min ROW/47 – it was confirmed Cllr Dodd would take responsibility for the Gt Corby notice board and Cllr L. Graham for the Aglionby notice board.

54/17 Bank Balances

Resolved to receive the balance at the bank dated 31st July2017.

Current Account £11,143.60
Deposit Account £131,239.85
Cumberland BS £11,030.04
Total in the bank £152,634.78

55/17 Payment of Accounts

- (i) <u>Resolved</u> to authorise payment of the accounts listed in the schedule of cheques dated 9th August 2017 VIN95-111 £9355.87.
- (ii) Noted to include the Cumwhinton ditch clearing expenditure on the 5-year plan as it is scheduled annually.

56/17 Scotby Village Green

Noted, there is no legal right of access to home owners on Scotby village green unless they have a deed of easement with the Parish Council or served notice through the Land Registry, this is following the Councils registration of the land in 2010. This has arisen due to a property sale in The Steadings.

i) Resolved to authorise the Chairman and Vice Chairman to sign the Deed of Easement between the Parish Council and Mrs & Mrs Postlethwaite of Scotby Steadings.

57/17 Audit

- (i) Noted the External Auditor has requested further information regarding the Councils Accounting statement and that the statement has been re-stated. An additional charge of £30.00 has been made.
- (ii) **Resolved** to receive the Internal Auditors report of 8th August 2017 and accept all recommendations therein.
- (iii) Resolved for Cllr Poole to inspect and authorise the Councils accounts 1/4 rly.
- (iv) Members thanked the Clerk for ensuring compliance.

58/17 External Representation

- (i) Wetheral Playing Fields Association meeting of 8th August 2017
 - Reported that the Crusaders agreement has expired on the playing fields, however a grace period to 31st August was given. The WPFA have had no communication regarding this situation. It was apparent that there is an issue with information being cascaded to managers and parents. Phil Pattinson, Rep for the Crusaders will discuss this with Mr Birch & Reed. If no progress is made another meeting will be arranged inviting the Crusaders managers to explain the situation to them.
 - Councils members urge the WPFA to resolve the situation asap to ensure the continuation of the junior football at Wetheral.
- (ii) Cllr Round Wetheral Speed Watch, back in Cumwhinton; still issue, speeds of 49mph recorded. Additional volunteers will be trained shortly. (current 16). CPCA annual meeting has the Police Commissioner as guest speaker; Cllrs Round & Higginbotham to attend to obtain assurances that the speed watch continues under the "umbrella" of the Police.
 - A local resident has offered to make a donation to purchase speeds guns for the Parish, Clerk to progress.

59/17 Schedule of Correspondence, Notices and Publications

<u>Received</u> and noted the schedule of correspondence, notices and publications received since the last meeting and not on the agenda.

- (i) Mr. McKnights Proposal for the Strand Aglionby and request to agree the Heads of Terms for the easement over Council land. Resolved to agree the heads of Terms and approve the proposed improvement works to the Strand. Clerk to express the Councils thanks to Mr McKnight
- (ii) B2663 Repair work consultation.

Councillor Matters*

- ~Explosions on the riverbank, Police not interested, bottles and debris being thrown from the viaduct.
- ~Wetheral river bank graffiti on rock face, signs and trees. Saplings also damaged.
- ~ Speeding between Cumwhinton & Cotehill residents petitioning for a 30mph limit.

- ~ Wetheral; Methodist Chapel, school bus drop off. Parents parking in the bus bay making it quite dangerous.
- ~ Chain link fence at Lowther green Cumwhinton damaged
- ~ Next planning meeting will be considering 198 homes in Durranhill.
- ~ Issues with a water fall to the rear of Bowling Green Lodge, Wetheral causing a stream under the road to the area of eroded banking.
- ~Additional refuse bin required for Lambley Bank end of the playing field.
- ~Land near the Coach house, plastic being burnt between the hours of 12-10pm causing pollution.
- ~Gt Corby, drain cover not fitted properly leaving a dangerously large gap.