

Wetheral Parish Council
Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday,
12th September 2018 at 7.30pm in the Wetheral Village Community Hall
PRESENT

Chairman – D Hughes

Councillors

B. Earp	J. Searle	G. Round	S. Higgs
M Higginbotham	I Evans	J.Melrose-Woodman	J. Routledge
C. Oliver			

Also, Present District Councillor Parsons, County Cllr Marriner (part).
Rev. Graeme Skinner
PCSO Tom Haworth (part)

55/18 Apologies for absence

- (i) Resolved** to accept and approve the apologies for absence from Parish Cllrs Dodd, Bainbridge, Poole & Pattinson and County Cllrs Graham & Mallinson.

56/18 Interim Vice Chairman

Resolved to appoint Cllr Stephen Higgs as the interim Vice Chairman until Cllr Dodd returns to the Council.

57/18 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 8th August 2018.

- (i) Resolved** to authorise the Chairman to sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the Council meeting held on 8th August 2018.

58/18 Declarations of Interest

- (i) Cllr. Earp & Cllr. Higgs declared an interest in items relating to Carlisle City Council.
(ii) Cllr Higgs declared an interest in item 11(ii).

59/18 Public Participation

a. Residents

Rev Graeme Skinner was introduced to members as the new Reverend for Wetheral and Holme Eden, his role is also to link the churches in the area, Methodist and Cotehill/Scotby churches. All were invited to the Harvest Gathering on Sunday 7th October @ 4.00pm- A Farmers Story. PCSO Tom Haworth is our liaison with the Police covering Wetheral Parish and outlying area. He will be arranging Police desks in the local villages to allow residents to speak to a Police officer directly in the near future.

Issues in Wetheral this summer included fires on the river bank, youths and litter on the village green. Members thanked him and his colleagues for dealing with the youths.

Issues raised with the PCSO – concerns regarding the issues with the traffic lights B6263; potential accident when they fail. Speeding in the villages.

E mail address to be circulated to Councillors and dates of the police desk to be confirmed.

b. Councillor Reports

~ Cllr Parsons had requested a loan from the City Council to Down-a-gate to enable the building to be completed. The City Council have refused. Cllr Parsons has been in contact with Rory Stewart MP who has been helpful.

~Cllr Marriner, the work on the B6263 should be commencing in the next couple of months. The delay has been caused by UU not agreeing to the proposal.

Two TDU's are available from the Council to target areas of speeding (cable to monitor the speed and weight of vehicles using the road)

It was raised the Peter Gate had been closed without notification and this has caused many resident complaints. Cllr Marriner to investigate.

60/18 Resolved to change the order of business, Standing Order 10 (vi)

61/18 Neighbourhood Planning

- (i) Noted the receipt of the update on Neighbourhood planning; meeting arranged for 19th September 2018 at 7.00pm in the Club House, with Hellen Aitken (Action for Communities in Cumbria)
- (ii) Noted the receipt of the Youth worker proposal, requesting the Parish Council to support with the funding of a paid Youth Worker for the Parish. **Resolved** to defer consideration until further details are available. Cllr Higgs to meet with students at William Howard School for ideas- "led by the youth"
- (iii) Noted the receipt of a summary of road closures with in the Parish. Members discussed the inconvenience of the closures and requested that the County Council liaise with the utility companies for a co-ordinated approach to the closures.

62/18 Minutes of Committee Meetings & Working Groups

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

(i) **Planning Committee** meeting held on 28th August 2018.

(ii) **Planning Applications considered;**

a. **App 18/0780** Corby Bridge Inn, Great Corby

Alterations to existing ground floor window to form new external door.

Resolved No Observations

b. **App 18/0742** Land to the west of Longlands Head, The Stripes, Cumwhinton

Erection of 2 dwellings (outline)

Resolved Objection - Members are seriously concerned regarding the site's proximity to the old gypsum works underground which is known to have caused subsidence in properties in the area.

In addition, the access from the development is on to a narrow lane restricting movement from the site.

Members request a site visit of the Development Control Committee.

c. **App 18/0771** 84 Greenacres, Wetheral

Erection of single storey rear and side extension (revised application)

Resolved No Observations

d. **App 18/0799** Land north of Thornedge, Station Road, Cumwhinton

(revised application)

Resolved No Observations

63/18 Bank Reconciliation

(I) **Resolved** to receive the bank reconciliation dated 31st August 2018

Current Account £12,988.24

Deposit Account £122,488.62

Cumberland BS £66,106.30

Total in the bank £201,442.54 (inc. outstanding payments and receipts)

64/18 Payment of Accounts.

- (i) **Resolved** to authorise payment of the accounts listed in the schedule of cheques dated 12th September 2018 VIN 129-151 totalling £11,256.08.
- (ii) **Resolved** to release the £5000 allocated for the re-building of Down-a-Gate Community Centre earlier than planned.

65/18 External Audit

Resolved to receive the Notice of Conclusion of Audit received from the External Auditor PKF Littlejohn LLP; noting the issue arising;

- (i) The RFO's signature was dated after the approval of section 2. The RFO's signature should be before the approval of section 2 as per the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015.
- (ii) Noted all Statutory documents have been uploaded to the Councils website as per the Local Government Transparency Code 2014.

66/18 Consultations & Notifications

- (i) Consultation of proposed changes to the Carlisle City Council Electoral Review.- **Resolved** to support the proposed boundary changes and reduction in District Councillors from 52 to 39.
- (ii) Noted - Church Commissioners; disposal scheme, St Leonards Church.
- (iii) A request from WPFA to install a CCTV system in the Clubhouse, Wetheral; **Resolved** to approve the installation of a CCTV system in principal subject to the submission of approved Policies/GDPR compliance procedures.
- (iv) Noted - Holme Eden War memorial – awarded listed building status.
- (v) Council email – Carlisle City Council are withdrawing the licence for the Parish Council email with effect from 30th September 2018. The Council will lose IT support, security and the platform. Cost of £27.40, this include Office 365, IT support and backup on the Cloud. Set up is a one-off fee of £37.50
Resolved to request an extension to allow adequate preparation; e-mail archiving, migrating contacts, updating external systems accessed using the Councils email. Cllr Earp & Higgs to raise as an issue with the District Council; no consultation and limited notice.

67/18 Outstanding Agreements with 3rd Parties

- (i) **Resolved** to defer consideration of the proposed Club house lease, as Cllr Pattinson was not available to attend the meeting.

68/18 External Representation

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

- (i) Hartley Trust meeting of 11th September 2018- postponed
- (ii) Wetheral Village Hall, Cllr Higgs- minutes to be circulated.
- (iii) Turnmire Play Area Committee – Cllr Oliver, new committee members required. £3000 available to buy new equipment from the s106, Skelton Court.

69/18 Schedule of Correspondence, Notices and Publications

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

- (i) J Holland, Warwick on Eden Hall- Highlights tour advertising/ funding in the rural areas compared to the community centres in the urban areas. Clerk to raise the issue through the CPCA Executive committee.
- (ii) Request for an additional litter bin on Wetheral village green or re-locate an existing one, Cllr Higgs to follow up.

70/18 Ward Reports

Resolved to include ward reports on the agenda for future meetings to replace Councillor matters for a trial period of 3 months. The proposal is that ward members collectively to write a short report to be issued with the agenda. To include what's going on in the wards, issues, resident queries, speed watch, road closures etc. To be submitted to the Clerk 10 days prior to the meeting.

Cllr Matters raised-

Cumwhinton Village hall now available for Parish meetings

Damage to the post & chains on washbeck green, Scotby

Durranhill notice board?

Issues with contractors at Great Corby School, possible chemical spillage.

Cumwhinton--pot holes up the back lane are getting very deep,

--street light 359 seems to be stuck on during the day.

—theres a couple of the paths need scraped as they are getting very narrow for pushchairs- wheelchairs especially outside Bengairn.

also the grass cutting - is this being topped all the time instead of being collected, as it looks very scruffy.

— there was an crash in the village last night due to speeding? from what I've been told.

plus side the ditch has been cleaned with very little,damage /mess

Date of next meeting of the Council October 10th 2018 ,