

Wetheral Parish Council
Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday,
14th November 2018 at 7.30pm in the Wetheral Village Community Hall
PRESENT

Chairman – D Hughes

Councillors

B. Earp

I. Evans

C. Oliver

G. Round

J. Routledge

D. Poole

S. Higgs

J. Melrose-Woodman

J. Searle

M. Higginbotham

Also, Present Mr. Docherty, Great Corby resident.

84/18 Apologies for absence

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

85/18 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 10th October 2018.

- (i)** **Resolved** to authorise the Chairman to sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the Council meeting held on 10th October 2018.

86/18 Declarations of Interest

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

87/18 Public Participation

- a. **Residents-** Mr Docherty, as an ex Serviceman made a request to members for a memorial bench for the Great Corby Village green, "Poppies in steel" to remember those who have served in the armed forces. Members informed Mr Docherty that they had planned to have a bench on the village green at Great Corby and that there was a possibility that this could be changed from a timber one to steel. Clerk to follow up.
- b. Police report –circulated.
- c. **Councillor Reports**
 - ~ Cllr Higgs, the Wetheral litter pick went well with 12 bags of rubbish collected, he reminded members that the litter picking kit was available from the Civic Centre should any other ward members wish to undertake a litter pick in their ward.
 - ~ Complaints received from residents using the footway near the Doctors surgery; on a number of occasions large farm vehicles have mounted the kerb to avoid other large vehicles approaching, this causes a danger to pedestrians. Police to be informed.
 - ~ Update following Rev G Skinners proposal for a Youth worker, arrangements have been made for an employment framework to support a Youth worker and there is a planned meeting at William Howard School. A Children & Family worker has been appointed to work with Primary age children.
 - ~ Cllr Earp, issues with car parking on Park Road now resolved with Police assistance.
 - ~ Flooding on Broomfallen Road, Scotby within the last 24 hours causing issues.

88/18 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 5th November 2018.

(ii) Min PL/18/50 street naming – a further request has been made by the applicant to retain the proposed name of “Mulberry Mews” land adjacent to Croft Villa, Wetheral. The definition of mews is Urban or “within the curtilage of a Manor house stables”. This naming “Mulberry Mews” does not fulfil this category and should, therefore, not be used. Members withhold their observations to have “Mulberry Drive” or an alternative of “Mulberry Lane”.

(iii) **Planning Applications considered;**

a, 18/0888 The Police House, 116 Scotby rd, Scotby

Installation of decking to rear and access stair to garden level

Resolved – No Observations

b. 18/0986 Land adjacent to Garth Cottage, Wetheral Pasture

Change of use, part field to increase gardens associated with 17/0969 & 18/0555

Resolved – No Observations

c. 18/1006 Land between Wetheral Methodist Church and Redcroft, Wetheral

Resolved – Observations; reiterating comments made planning app. 16/0628, members wish to see an access road to the proposed properties which would allow one entrance and exit to the site. Four individual access roads would cause a similar problem experienced at Alders Edge, Scotby, making access along the road difficult. The traffic problem is exacerbated with new access created at Croft Villa, on the opposite side of the road.

Members have serious concerns regarding the onsite sewage treatment plant; at other locations, it has been shown that these works can fail and if that happens the natural route for the contaminated effluent will be directly onto the allotment site and to the ditch flowing to the Pow Maughan. The plans do not include a robust contingency to prevent this.

(iv) **Finance & Grants** meeting held on 6th November 2018.

a. Specifically – Precept request for 2019-20 min F&G 18/18- **Resolved** for Clerk to confirm the actual cost of the Band D property based on a new Precept of £148,000 by consulting the City Council Finance team.

b. **Resolved** to defer consideration of the Precept until the next meeting of the full council.

(v) **Cemetery Meeting** held on 16th October 2018

a. Specifically the increase in maintenance/repair costs and the introduction of a winter programme for the Groundsman.

(vi) **Rights of Way** meeting held on 16th October 2018.

a. Min ROW 18/14 a(iii), replacing the current field hedge with a new Laurel hedge. It was questioned whether this should be a decision for the WPFA. **Resolved** to approve the planting of a new laurel hedge and this matter should not be referred to the WPFA as this would be un-necessary bureaucracy; the Parish Council as land owner has the right to make this decision.

89/18 Bank Reconciliation

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

Current Account	£19,851.60	
Deposit Account	£94,478.70	
Cumberland BS	£66,106.30	
Total in the bank	£186,590.28	(inc outstanding payments and receipts)
Allocated funds	£82,000.00	<u>Available funds £104,590.28</u>

90/18 Payment of Accounts.

- (i) **Resolved** to authorise payment of the accounts listed in the schedule of cheques dated 14th November 2018 VIN 176 – 209 totalling £15,748.83

91/18 Consultations & Notifications

Noted the receipt of the following;

- (i) Eden District Council -Adoption Statement of the Local Plan 2014-2032.
(ii) Working together – Cumbria County Council (presentation e-mailed)

92/18 Neighbourhood Planning

An update was given from Cllr Higgs following the last meeting of the committee.

~ There is a requirement for a housing needs survey, it was noted the original cost could be up to £25,000 another company has been contacted for a quotation; its essential that the exact questions are asked in the survey to validate the outcome. The cost may be £10-15,000. Grants are available of £9000 therefore it may require financial support from the Parish Council.

93/18 External Representation

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

- (i) Cllr Higginbotham attended the CALC AGM, the new fees structure was agreed.
(ii) Cllr Higgs attended the Wetheral Village Hall meeting, very positive meeting. They plan to install PV cells on the roof and new canopy shortly.
(iii) Cllr Earp attended an interesting presentation “Cycling in the Netherlands” – Carlisle City Council are reviewing the provision of new cycle ways around the city.
(iv) Cllr Searle – meeting of the WPFA, Petanque court has been marked out, scale plans to be drawn to include the proposed cricket nets.
(v) Cllr Evans attended the Tyne Valley Rail Partnership, Wetheral station to have a ticket machine, hopefully a service to Gilsland next summer. Also, an initiative- Driver Kev visiting primary schools informing pupils of the danger of playing on railway lines and crossings.

94/18 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) Mr Ingham, parking issues in Wetheral Village & request for cycle racks.- Parking issues noted, Clerk to review the proposed location for the cycle racks and report back.(Station and village green)
(ii) Mr Morris, Scotby, letters and petition against the Gladman Land housing development.

95/18 Ward Reports

Resolved to receive the ward reports.

Specifically – Cumwhinton & Cotehill, special recognition from the Police to the Councils Speed Watch Group.

Date of next meeting of the Council December 12th 2018, venue to be confirmed.

