

Wetheral Parish Council
Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday,
9th October 2019 at 7.30pm in the Wetheral Village Community Hall
PRESENT

Chairman – B. Earp

Councillors

G. Round

C. Oliver

J. Searle

D. Poole

I. Evans

D. Hughes

M. Higginbotham

J. Routledge

Also, present; District Cllr M Bowman & County Cllr Nick Marriner.

Prior to the meeting members held a one-minute silence in memory of the late Chris Dodd (ex-Chairman of the Parish Council) and Barry Colville (Councils grass contractor).

73/19 Apologies for absence

- (i) **Resolved** to accept and approve the apologies for absence from Parish Cllrs Pattinson, Somers, & Higgs. District Cllr Christian &. County Cllrs Mallinson & Graham.

74/19 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 11th September 2019.

- (i) **Resolved** to authorise the Chairman to sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the Council Meeting of 11th September 2019.

75/19 Requests for Dispensation

None were requested.

76/19 Declarations of Interest

- (i) Cllr Bowman declared an interest in items relating to Carlisle City Council.
(ii) Cllr Evans declared an interest in item 14 as a Governor of Great Corby School.

77/19 Public Participation

- a. Residents – No residents were present.
b. Police report to be circulated.
c. Councillor Reports

Cllr Marriner – Continuing to press for cycle routes, east of the city.

Cllr Bowman- Informed members that the Victoria Viaduct had been closed due to the Central Plaza building further deteriorating, it is due to be inspected in preparation for demolition.

78/19 Co-option of Councillor for the Warwick on Eden & Aglionby Ward

- (i) **Resolved** to co-opt Tony Lyman as the Ward Councillor for the Warwick on Eden & Aglionby Ward.
(ii) Cllr Lyman signed the declaration of acceptance of office and was invited to join the meeting.
(iii) **Resolved** to appoint Cllr Poole as mentor for Cllr Lyman.

79/19 Minutes of Committee Meetings & Working Groups

a. **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 1st October.

(ii) **Planning application to consider;**

App19 /0765 Land opposite Wetheral Shields Farm, Wetheral

Removal of condition to allow the premises to be used as a commercial livery.

Resolved – No Observations

80/19 Bank Reconciliation

(i) **Resolved** to receive the balance at the bank dated 30th September 2019 (unable to reconcile due to limited access to the Council bank accounts)

Current Account £20,765.51

Deposit Account £166,685.99

Cumberland BS £66,854.17

Total in the bank £254,305.67

Allocated funds brought forward £81,384 .00

Available funds £172,921.67 (inc capital expenditure 19/20)

(ii) Noted the insurance claim has been submitted for a replacement lectern and interpretation panel on Wetheral Riverbank.

(iii) Section 106 payments due to the Parish Council; Wetheral £92,393, £10,259 & £66,000.

Members discussed options and it was agreed that the whole parish needs facilities however these s106 were very specific to Wetheral village. **Resolved** to defer further consideration until the Finance & Grants meeting. (19.11.19)

81/19 Payment of Accounts.

(i) **Resolved** to authorise payment of the accounts listed in the schedule of cheques dated 9th October 2019 VIN 123-141 totalling £23,305.50 (e-mailed).

(ii) Noted with thanks the following grants;

a. Cllr Bowman, £145 towards the Scotby Car park signs.

b. Cllr Bowman, £300 towards the Lychgate, Wetheral survey.

c. Cllr Bowman, £250 towards the Strand landscape project.

d. Cllr Higgs, £600 to level and flag the area around the boules court, Wetheral.

e. Cllr Bowman & Cllr Higgs, £400 for Down-a-Gate new equipment for Mother and toddler.

f. Cllr Christian, £145 replacement light for the Lych gate, Wetheral

82/19. Financial Regulation

(i) **Resolved** to approve and adopt the revised Financial Regulations updated by NALC July 2019 and adapted to Wetheral Parish Council.

83/19 Scotby Village – Northern Gas networks

Noted H&H have been appointed as the Councils agent to deal with the request from NGN to site a governor on Parish land, Park Rd/Scotby Rd. A revised location has been suggested, against the wall of the railway bridge and a footpath diversion.

84/19 Project Update

(i) Scotby pavilion project; Prestart meeting arranged for 11th October with the timber frame & substructure contractor. Project will be in stages, timber frame followed by internal fittings & fixtures. Due to the loss of

two substantial s106 payments, the potential shortfall is £76,000. Several grants have been identified and applications will be made.

(ii) The Strand Landscape project; Grant funding of £2250 confirmed, the initial ground works will commence shortly, other funding is required for the 5-year project.

(iii) Lych gate, Wetheral, the condition survey has been carried out and the roof requires replacing, there were concerns regarding the armoured cabling, this has been inspected and found only the light requires replacing.

85/19 External Representation

Noted to receive reports from Parish Council representatives on outside bodies

~ Cllr Higginbotham; attended the AGM of Carlisle Parish Council Association, minutes and slides to be circulated.

~ Cllr Round attended the AGM of the WPFA and it was noted that Cllr Higginbotham was elected Chairman.

~ Cllr Oliver informed members that the Turnmire Common committee has received grants to enable the installation of a play train, trampoline & climbing frame. (Full details to be circulated to members)

~ Cllr Oliver attended a conference Cumbria Action for Sustainability, members discussed how the Parish Council could be involved. (i) **Resolved** to create a working group led by Cllr Oliver to identify measures that the Parish Council could introduce. Further details to be circulated.

86/19 Schedule of Correspondence, Notices and Publications

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

- (i) Request to place a memorial bench in the Cemetery by resident of Great Corby. **Resolved** to permit the installation of a bench in the Woodland cemetery.
- (ii) Request to use the village green, June 28th 2020. (Refugee Action group) **Resolved** to allow the event on the village green.
- (iii) Enquiry from Great Corby School, defibrillators in Parish primary schools.

Date of next meeting of the Council November 13th 2019, *In Wetheral Village Community Hall*