

Wetheral Parish Council
Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday,
8th January 2020 at 7.30pm in the Wetheral Village Community Hall
PRESENT

Chairman – B. Earp

Councillors

G. Round	D. Poole	M. Somers	J. Searle	J. Dobson
I. Evans	D. Hughes	M. Higginbotham	J. Routledge	S. Higgs

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

113/19 Councillor Resignation

(i) Resolved to receive the resignation of Cllr Lyman with immediate effect.

(ii) The resignation creates a vacancy for the Warwick on Eden & Aglionby ward; the statutory notice will be posted and if a bye election is not required the vacancy shall be filled by co-option.

114/19 Apologies for absence

(i) Resolved to accept and approve the apologies for absence from Parish Cllrs Oliver, Pattinson & County Cllrs Mallinson & Graham.

115/19 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 11th December 2019.

(i) Resolved to authorise the Chairman to sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the Council Meeting of 11th December 2019 with an amendment to add Cllr Dobson as an attendee.

116/19 Requests for Dispensation

None were requested.

117/19 Declarations of Interest

- (i)** Cllrs Higgs, Bowman & Christian declared an interest in items relating to Carlisle City Council.
- (ii)** Cllr Routledge declared an interest in Part B, item 4.
- (iii)** Cllr Dobson declared an interest in item 6(v), planning application 19/0984.
- (iv)** Cllr Earp declared an interest in item 6(iv), planning application 19/0971.

118/19 Public Participation

a. Residents –

No residents were present.

b .Police report to be circulated.

c.Councillor Reports

~ Cllr Marriner; Cycling Infrastructure meeting has been postponed to January, TBC.

North of England additional funding may be available, he will make a request that the A69 de-trunking is a priority.

Borderlands recent meeting; hopeful that there will be funding for the City of Carlisle.

~ Cllr Bowman; noted there is a rough sleeper in the Parish, working with the City Council to give assistance.

Busy November & December with events; Fire show, Christmas light switch on with East 17, School visits, Thanksgiving with the High Sheriff, Choirs and Carol Services, Veteran's lunch at the Castle.

Issues in the City with Shop watch, due to Carlisle being targeted by thieves.

Introduction of drug driving tests.

~ Cllr Christian; Central Plaza has been demolished and Tesco & other shops will be open Thursday 9th January 2020. The footway has re-opened. A developer is now required to purchase and develop the site once it has been transferred from the Crown to the City Council.

~ Cllr Higgs; Festival of Lights, joint project with Carlisle City Council and Cumbria County Council, 12th – 15th February 2020.

119/19 Planning Applications considered;

(i) **App 19/0929** Land to the south of Broomhouse, Broomfallen Rd, Scotby
Variation to condition 2.

Resolved – No Observations

(ii) **App 19/0908** St Leonards Church, Warwick on Eden
Provision of new car parking area in retained churchyard

Resolved – No Observations

(iii) **App 19/0961** Wragmire Bank Farm, Cocklakes, Cumwhinton
Mixed use of land for agriculture and the rearing of game birds and associated works including the erection of 15no. shelters and netted pens; 2no. habitat/containment enclosures; laying of access tracks.

Resolved – No Observations

(iv) **App 19/0971** Land adj Coach House, Allenwood
Residential development (Outline)

Resolved – Observation; members request that consideration should be given to undertake soil test as there is potential contamination from the Paper Mill which was based on the site until the early 1900's. Otherwise members have no objection to the proposed development.

(v) **App 19/0984** Willowdene, 14 Broadwath Holdings, Heads Nook
Conversion of attic store in outbuilding to provide studio for domestic use.

Resolved – No Observations (Cllr Dobson was not present)

(vi) **App 19/0034/TPO** 3 Geltsdale Gardens, Plains road, Wetheral
Removal of lower branches from Lime tree.

Resolved – No Observations

(vii) **App 19/0493** Land adjacent to 44 Scotby Road, Scotby
It was noted that the site visit documents had not been received from Carlisle City Council planning department, however Cllr Higgs & Cllr Earp attended.

120/19 Bank Reconciliation

(I) **Resolved** to receive the balance at the bank dated 31st December 2019.

Current Account	£19,404.96
Deposit Account	£119,482.52
Cumberland BS	£66,854.17
Total in the bank	£205,741.65
Allocated funds	£ 80,674.00

Available funds £125,067.65

(ii) Noted receipt of £118.00 small scale grant from Cllr Bowman for repairs to Scotby play equipment.

(iii) Noted receipt of the insurance claim for the replacement interpretation panel for the riverbank, Wetheral.
(The new panel has been delivered; fitting will be arranged shortly)

121/19 Payment of Accounts.

- (i) **Resolved** to authorise payment of the accounts listed in the schedule of cheques dated 8th January 2020 VIN 199-216 totalling £7586.24.

122/19 Neighbourhood Planning

Cllr Higgs reported that the Housing needs statement has been received. It was also reported that there are difficulties with the size of the Parish and differing settlements raising concerns that a plan would not be supported by everyone.

The current pressures of development in Cumwhinton, Scotby & Wetheral will be in situ by the time the plan is produced therefore too late to have an effect.

(i) Resolved to request volunteers come forward to assist with the Neighbourhood Plan via social media/ website/ next door. Cllr Higgs to provide the statement.

(ii) Resolved to include Neighbourhood Planning as an agenda item at the next meeting to consider its continuation.

123/19 VE Day 8th May 2020

(i) Cllr Higgs to report at the next meeting following a joint meeting with Carlisle City Council & Cumbria County Council to consider events.

(ii) Members were keen to be involved in the VE day 75, suggestions; afternoon tea for veterans, memorial benches. (Clerk to circulate the SSAFA Armed Forces Charity plans for the events)

124/19 External Representation

No external representation of Councillors since the last meeting.

125/19 Schedule of Correspondence, Notices and Publications

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

(i) Cotehill Sports Group; a recent survey in the village produced the following for development on the sports fields; cycle track around (bark), picnic benches & new goal posts.

(ii) Cotehill Village Hall, request for funding of replacement emergency lights due to lightning strike. £186.00, Cllr Christian has offered to pay this from his small scales budget.

(iii) 19/0031/TPO 2 The Old Tannery, Scotby
Removal of 4-6 limbs from the crown of Poplar tree.

Resolved – No Observations

Meeting Closed at 8.30pm followed by Part B