

## **Wetheral Parish Council**

**Minutes of the Wetheral Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2020**

**In a virtual meeting room commencing at 7.30pm**

(This meeting was a virtual meeting and therefore did not take place at a physical location following guidelines set out in Section 78 of the Coronavirus Act 2020.)

### **PRESENT**

**Chairman – B Earp**

#### **Councillors**

**D. Poole**

**J. Dobson**

**C. Oliver**

**D Pattinson**

**G Round**

**S. Higgs**

**J. Searle**

**M. Higginbotham**

#### **Also present**

District Cllr Bowman & County Cllrs Marriner & Mallinson.

#### **52/20 Apologies for absence**

**Resolved** to accept and approve the apologies for absence from Parish Cllrs Hughes, Routledge, Evans & Somers, District Cllr Christian & County Cllr Graham.

#### **53/20 Minutes of the Meetings.**

(i) **Resolved** to authorise the Chairman to sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the Council Meeting of 9<sup>th</sup> September 2020.

(ii) **Resolved** to authorise the Chairman to sign as a correct record the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting of 28<sup>th</sup> September 2020.

(iii) **Resolved** to authorise the Chairman to sign as a correct record the minutes of the Rights of Way meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> September 2020. (deferred from the last meeting)

(i) Elm Garth, Wetheral ward members reported on their recommendations regarding the expression of interest and it was **Resolved** to submit an expression of interest.

(ii) **Resolved** to remove 3 Ash trees and cut back a Willow trees, Washbeck/Lambley Bank Scotby.

#### **54/20 Declarations of Interest**

(i) Cllr Bowman & Cllr Higgs declared an interest in items relating to Carlisle City Council

#### **55/20 Request for dispensation**

None made.

#### **56/20 Public Participation**

a. Residents –

No residents were present

b. Police.- No report was available

c. Councillor Reports

~Cllr Bowman stated that the City Council have had an invitation to form a Unitary Authority in Cumbria.

~Cllr Mallinson confirmed the timescales for the removal of the local government tier, Outline-9.11.20, full submission-9.12.20 with a consultation, March 2021. The elections due to be held 2021 will be suspended until May 2022, which shall be for the Unitary Authority.

~Cllr Higgs; SWATCH group work continue to support the housebound residents. (Update, the group has decided to suspend operations 20.10.20)

Wetheral PCC are proposing a request to extend the Wetheral Conservation area to include sacred spaces- from St Cuthbert's Well to St Constantine's Cells.

Wetheral litter pick and bulb planting scheduled for the 24/25<sup>th</sup> October.

Cycling and Infrastructure project, an opportunity to make comment on cycle and walkways.

14.10.2020

Gladman planning application, Scotby, will be considered at the November Development Control meeting.

~Cllr Marriner; confirmed that the Cycling Strategy will now include the East of Carlisle as the Government is providing funding for Cycle ways and Infrastructure.

### **57/20 Project updates**

(i) *Scotby pavilion.*

Noted;

Site meeting held Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2020, building on schedule. Roof is now on, financial in line with projections. Some additional groundworks and wind posts were required, funded from the main contractors contingency fund.

### **58/20-Clerks Report**

(i) **Resolved** to receive the Clerks report.

### **59/20. Section 106 & Funding**

(i) Members received an update following a successful meeting with Cllrs Earp & Higgs, Luke Leathers (Carlisle City Council) & the Clerk. Communication to improve between the City Council and Parish Councils regarding the s106 funds. It was also suggested that the Planning Committee consider potential projects for s106 monies at the Planning Application stage of housing developments.

(ii) **Resolved** to receive suggested projects for the s106 funds from application 15/0866 following a meeting of WPFA . **Resolved** to put on hold the suggestions other than the car park (iii) and to undertake a Community Survey in Wetheral, requesting the views of residents (NB to also undertake in Scotby – App 17/0995 & Cumwhinton App-18/1140). To be distributed early November, returned by January 8<sup>th</sup> 2021.

(iii) Noted the City Council have authorised the tarmacking of the car park at Wetheral Playing Fields.

(iv) NGN contribution to the Parish Council to undertake the installation work on the Park Rd, Scotby Rd Green @£1250 and £5000 rent, **Resolved** to allocate to the Pavilion project.

### **60/20Consultations**

#### **a. Planning Application considered**

(i) App 19/0216 Cascade steps, Corby Castle, Great Corby  
Structural works part retrospective. Amended detail.

**Resolved** – No Observations, members support Historic England's recommendation to substantially remodel the structure, also supported by the Georgian Group.

### **61/20 Bank Reconciliation**

(i) **Resolved** to receive and note the bank balances to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2020

Deposit Account        £120,775.45

Current Account        £31,334.99

Cumberland BS        £67,822.82

Total in the bank        £220,244.35( inc. outstanding banking and payments)

### **62/20 Payment of Accounts**

(i) **Resolved** to authorise payment of the accounts listed in the schedule of cheques dated 14th October 2020 (VIN151-180) Totalling £29,077.38 (valuation 3 Pavilion, approved)

### **63/20 External Audit**

(i) **Resolved** to receive the Notice of Conclusion of Audit 2019-20 from the External Auditor PKF Littlejohn LLP, no matters arising.

(ii) Noted all Statutory documents have been uploaded to the Councils website as per the Local Government Transparency Code. (2014)

## **64/20 Village Matters**

(i) Complaints regarding car parking on Saturday mornings for the junior soccer school in Wetheral. **Resolved** for the Chairman to write to the Wetheral Playing Fields Committee stating the Council's concern and request they resolve the parking issues.

(ii) Request from The Queen Inn, Great Corby use of the village green for the serving of food and drinks and the erection of a structure/Tepee. **Resolved** to refuse permission for the long-term commercial use and erection of any structure on Great Corby Village green under Village Green legislation and the precedent it will set for the other Parish Village greens.

## **65/20 External Representation**

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

(i) Hartley Trust meeting- deferred to the next meeting.

(ii) Cumwhinton Village Hall AGM.- The meeting was cancelled due to COVID restrictions.

(i) CPCA AGM- Minutes previously circulated including a presentation from Chris Hardman, Carlisle City Council on the Government's White paper- proposed changes to Planning Policy. **Resolved**, Clerk to contact Mr Hardman to arrange for a presentation to the Planning Committee or a seminar with other Parish Councils.

(ii) CALC AGM- Minutes to be circulated. To note the CALC subscription is to increase.

## **66/20 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) Request from Scotby DCC to hold a remembrance service on Scotby Village Green. **Resolved** to approve.

(ii) Notification of Internal Audit fees to increase from April 2021.

## **Councillor Matters**

Residents still concerned about the planning application for the Quarry at Faugh.

Resident of Broadwath has cleared the Mill Race of debris, this has exposed the original walls and the sluices are flowing. Hopefully preventing further flooding.

Bulbs have been planted in Broadwath

Suggestion to extend the 30mph speed limit along Plains Road due to housing development.

Turnmire, replacement swings in place, holding a Halloween Scarecrow Trail, maps on sale from the village shop.

Speed gun has been returned to Cllr Round without the battery and charger – request to include a sum in the budget for replacements.

Request for yellow lines outside Great Corby Primary School due to parking issues.

