

Wetheral Parish Council
Minutes of the Rights of Way Committee held on Wednesday,
21st January 2015 at 7.30 p.m. at Wetheral Village Community Hall

Present: Cllr. J Holland (Chair), Cllr. M Murray, Cllr. M Higginbotham, Cllr Nelson, Cllr Bainbridge.

ROW 14/22 Apologies – Cllr Holmes, Cllr Round

ROW 14/23 - Declarations of Interest – Cllr. Holland declared an interest in item relating to Tree Survey (Item 9(ii))

ROW/14/24 Minutes – **Resolved** to approve the minutes of the meeting held 24th September 2014, these were signed as a correct record.

ROW/ 14/25 Consider Revised Policy for Terms of use of :-

i) The Playing Fields and Village green, Members considered document highlighting points requiring attention. **Resolved** ; Chairman to meet with Clerk to formulate final document for approval by Full Council

ii) **Resolved** to recommend to full council the conditions of hire of Parish equipment;

Marquee – Members discussed requirements, which would be reviewed in one year.

i) £200 returnable deposit to be paid, to be refunded if returned in acceptable condition

ii) To be lent out to community groups/organisations from parish villages only, the marquee shall not be available for commercial hire.

iii) Proposed fee to be paid for checking in and checking out, payable to person arranging marquee loan. Suggested fee £10 check out £20 check in.

iv) The marquee must be returned dry, or additional fee to be paid (£20 per hour additional fee)

Generator & other Equipment – No payment necessary. Terms & Condition forms to be completed.

ROW/ 14/26 General issues from the Villages

i) Wetheral – damage to the village green by unknown persons – **Resolved** Clerk to request contractor to repair.

ii) Scotby – Sheil lonning gate sign – **Resolved**- No further action at this time

- Roof of the bus shelter on Scotby Road requires repair **Resolved**- Clerk to obtain quotes for repair, request funding from District/County Council funding, to cover cost.

iii) Great Corby - street lighting request – **Resolved** -Clerk to discuss requirements with Lighting Engineer to ascertain installation costs (NB £105 annual maintenance charge per lamp post would still be payable) Request for funding from “Safer Ways to School” & District/County Councillor.

- Removal of the telephone box on the village green- Clerk still pursuing.

(iv) Warwick on Eden- street light. – **Resolved** – recommend to Full Council a sub committee be formed, with a representative from each village to formulate a Lighting Policy for parish.

ROW/ 14/27 Footpath Reports -

Resolved – Clerk advised paths are due to be surveyed in the parish this year. Chairman requested members to inspect paths in their village areas and report any issues found. Clerk advised 2 volunteers had agreed to walk the Great Corby area, a list of walks and maps were to be provided to each.

ROW/ 14/28 Interpretation Panels

(i) Cotehill – **Resolved** - Clerk to send copies of previous panels to village reps.; Cllrs Higginbotham, Round and Bainbridge to meet to discuss wording and design of panel and return with a design, to be considered at the Full Council meeting on 11th February 2015.

(ii) Cumwhinton – **Resolved** to be commenced once Cotehill board design completed

(iii) Warwick on Eden - **Resolved** to be commenced once Cotehill board design completed. Cllr Holland provided wording to be included.

(iv) Installation date for the River bank panel - Members approved completed panel all agreed installation to take place as soon as possible. **Resolved** recommend to Full Council local press be invited to an opening ceremony once all the panels are completed.

ROW/ 14/29 Common Land-

(i) Registration of Ferry Landing **Resolved** Clerk to register land, members agreed area on map provided

- (ii) Turnmire Common CL175 – Clerk awaiting Section 38 Application
- (iii) Cumbria CC notified the Council of the transitional period for the amendment of the Registers of Common Land and Village Greens – Members considered list provided. **Resolved** - Clerk seeking further documentation

ROW/ 14/30 Clerk Report - Noted

- i) Seat at Warwick on Eden Play area – Now in position
- ii) Tree survey – Clerk contacted suggested companies, no reply received from Treewise Solutions, Northern Tree Services have agreed to survey for £500 (the same price as 2010 survey), a written quotation is still required. Clerk to contact Treewise to ascertain the cost for follow up survey once the initial survey was completed.
- iii) Parish property- the list of parish property requires updating Clerk to undertake updating..
- iv) Gt Corby Common – Clerk contacted City Council to enquire about progress 14.1.15
- v) Gt Corby Allotment Request – Clerk referred to Warwick Mill/Gt Corby School (plot land adj)

ROW/ 14/31 The committee resolved to suspended standing orders 10 a. (xi) – standing order 3 (v) to allow meeting to exceed 2hours.

ROW/ 14/32 Correspondence – Noted

- i) Reply received from Highways re Sign at Wetheral Railway Station (emailed to all 27.11.14)
- ii) Request from Wetheral village resident to create a footpath from Wetheral to Warwick Bridge – Clerk advised copy of letter sent to Highways (Cumbria CC)

ROW/ 14/33 Additional Issues - Highlighted by members for consideration at future meeting

- i) Bus shelter at Wetheral - Clerk reported Magnus Homes have agreed to alter the seat as requested.
- ii) Cllr Murray advised Robin Smith local rep for Wetheral Railway Station hopes that the level of service from Wetheral will improve Community Rail, Dept for Transport are looking at extra stops in the future and would keep us informed. The new station sign has been erected, and access gate repaired.
- iii) Cllr Nelson past on a list provided by Cllr Earp provided a list of litter bins in the villages of Wetheral and Scotby, although not all of these are owned by the parish council.
- iv) St. Leonards Church - Cllr Holland advised it was likely this church will close, with dwindling numbers attending it was proving unsustainable to remain open. Cllr Holland highlighted the architectural interest of the building, and hoped it would remain accessible to the public should the church close in the future.
- v) Cycle ways – Cllr Holland advised she was attending a meeting where cycle routes to the city were to be discussed. Members agreed improvements were required to the provision, agreeing that a pavement/cycleway between Wetheral and Scotby would be a welcome addition. It had been suggested that the 106 agreement from Scotby homes could be used to pay for this, but members felt the funding was required to provide more affordable homes and extra care bungalows for elderly as a priority.
- vi) Speed limits in Parish – Members voiced their concerns re speeding on local roads in the parish. Members would like to see 40mph within the parish at the following locations:-
 - a) Wetheral – Scotby road
 - b) B6263 from J 42 to Warwick Bridge
 - c) Cumwhinton – Carleton
 - d) Cumwhinton - Cotehill

Date of next meetings Tuesday 21st April 2015, 21st July 2015.

Signed

Date