

**Wetheral Parish Council**  
**Minutes of the Rights of Way Committee held on Tuesday,**  
**21<sup>st</sup> July 2015 at 7.30 p.m. at Wetheral Village Community Hall**

**Present:** Cllr. M Murray, Cllr. M Higginbotham, Cllr Nelson, Cllr Holmes.

**ROW/15/01 Appointment of Chairman:** **Resolved** to appoint Cllr Murray as Chairman.

**ROW 15/02 Apologies** – Cllr Bainbridge, Cllr Yates, Cllr Strickland, there was no representative for Aglionby, Warwick on Eden, Cotehill & Cumwhinton.

**ROW 15/03 - Declarations of Interest** – None

**ROW/15/04 Minutes** – **Resolved** to approve the minutes of the meeting held 21<sup>st</sup> April 2015 and the Chairman signed the minutes as a correct record.

**ROW 15/05 General issues from the Villages**  
**Wetheral**

**(i) Maypole Renovation** – Clerk advised unsuccessful grant funding requests had been sent to :- CWMET, Great Corby Castle, CPCA, English Heritage  
Secured funding:-  
Cumbria CC Community Grants -£1000, Cllr. Marriner £500, Cllr Higgs £250, Cllr Earp £250.  
Wetheral Parish Council - £1,000. Shortfall £750.

Wetheral Community Association has submitted a grant application to Cumbria Community Foundation on behalf of the village. A local resident has agreed to fund raise on our behalf to help raise funds towards the project. **Resolved** to approve an article produced by Cllr Murray, to appear in the forthcoming parish magazine, asking for residents support with this project

Cllr Higginbotham questioned why the Maypole had not been removed as requested at the previous meeting. Clerk advised that she had spoken with the recommended company who advised that the monument although requiring work, would remain stable over the summer months but would require removal prior to winter. Clerk to request booking work to commence in October if possible.

**(ii) St Cuthbert's Well area** -Clerk met with Probation Service who have agreed to undertake the work of clearing the area and repairing/removing the damaged bench. A spare bench has been taken from storage for them to repair and replace if possible.

**(iii) Path clearance** –**Resolved** to recommend to Full Council that groundsman undertakes this work -Station Path, Plains Rd Railway Bridge. Noted that the Turnmire to Greenacres path was the responsibility of the land owner, Cllr Murray to speak with a local resident to see if they could help with clearance.

**(iv) Wetheral Village Green** – Uneven surface reported. Clerk to meet with Cllr Murray to inspect.

**(v) Methodist Chapel Seat** - Clerk has requested a quote from handyman.

**vi) Noticeboards** – Cllr Murray requested notices be placed on boards requesting “no staple guns to be used” “Small notices only please to save space”.

**vii) Parking on pavements-** Cllr Murray, in response to complaints received, has spoken with Brampton Police who have agreed to forward a notice which the office can copy and issue as and when necessary.

**Scotby**

**i) Notice/Interpretation board** – Cllr. Hughes suggested the area around the new notice board be cleared and paved, removing the chain fence to allow easier access to the rear of the board. **Resolved** to recommend the proposal to Full Council. Clerk to obtain quotes for work

ii) **Notice board Rookery Green** – Members discussed removal but wished to retain the board and request Scotby members maintain and clear the board when necessary.

iii) **Scotby Village Hall Access** – Weeds, **Resolved** to recommend to Full Council groundsman to be asked to clear area.

#### **Great Corby**

i) **Telephone box removal** Clerk to request BT to remove from the village green. Cllr Holmes to list work required to tidy the Top Green once this has been done.

ii) **Great Corby Common** – The Legal Dept at Carlisle City Council has advised that the fence is to be removed, we await the date.

#### **Cotehill**

i) **Damaged Interpretation Panel - Brackenbank** – Clerk advised; the stand and panel has been repaired and re-sited by local handyman although the panel itself would require replacement. The incident has been reported to the police, once a crime number has been issued an insurance claim would be made.

#### **Aglionby**

i) **Easement** – Clerk advised the council has been offered £50 towards a bus shelter in lieu of easement request on the green. **Resolved** to recommend to the Full Council the acceptance of this offer.

#### **Cumwhinton**

i) **Play area update** – Clerk advised a planning application has been submitted to the local authority. Cllr Higginbotham advised the meeting 2 objections to the application had been received and would be considered when the planning application was discussed.

**ROW 15/06 Bulb Planting ; Resolved** to recommend to Full Council 2 sacks of daffodils be purchased. One sack Wetheral for use around the new community centre. The other sack to be shared with the other villages wishing to plant in their areas the suggested list as follows :-

i) Wetheral Community Centre - Wetheral Playschool children would be interested in planting around the new community centre/Playing fields.

Ashgate Lane Cemetery

ii) Great Corby – Roadside of Playing Field (NH Requested)

iii) Cotehill – Clerk to contact H Kennedy – Yes required

v) Cumwhinton – none required

vi) Aglionby – Clerk to speak with Cllr Yates- none required

vii) Warwick on Eden – Clerk to speak with village councillors

viii) Scotby – Clerk to speak with Cllr Hughes

#### **ROW 15/07 Footpath Reports -**

i) **Wetheral Riverbank** – National Trust have completed work to their land. Clerk has requested a quote for a waymarker sign to be placed at junction with caves path; **Resolved** to recommend to Full Council.

ii) **Giant Hogweed** found to be growing adjacent to UU building – Clerk reported to County Council Footpath Officer, Environment Agency and land owner (Church Comm.), no reply received to date, Clerk still pursuing. The office has been advised this is the land owner's responsibility.

iii) **Cumwhinton** – Dog Lonning - Clerk has requested the removal of 3 separate loads of fly tipping in this area. The tree over the path has now been removed. Fly tipping at Miry Lonning has been reported, Cllr Higginbotham to check if this has been removed.

#### **ROW 15/08 Interpretation Panels**

(i) Cotehill – Delivered 14<sup>th</sup> July 2015, Clerk has requested quote for erection.

(ii) Cumwhinton – Cllr Bainbridge to submit information required to October Meeting. Clerk to seek grant funding.

(iii) Warwick on Eden – Clerk to speak with village Councillors.

iv) Wetheral Riverbank – Clerk advised this was installed July 2015.

#### **ROW 15/09 Clerks Report – items noted**

i) Warwick on Eden Noticeboard – damaged – Repaired April 2015

ii) Tree survey – Northern Tree Services commenced survey

- iii) Land Registry –all property registered to new address, the Ashgate Lane Cemetery and Great Corby Green have been registered.( £60.00 fee)
- v) Cumwhinton – Top village notice board – has been removed and will be repaired.
  - War Memorial Gate – Contractor repairing.
  - Footpath 138059 – Tree blocking access – now cleared.
  - overgrown path – now cleared.
- vi) Turnmire Common – Confirmation received approval for the play equipment installed post 2007.

**ROW 15/10 Correspondence - Noted**

- i) **National Trust – Email received 5.5.15**
- ii) **CWMET – Reply to Grant App Received 6.5.15**
- iii) **Corby Castle “**
- iv) **Email – Robin Smith** (Wetheral Station Adopter) Response from Network Rail it is hoped that the clearing work and cleaning the plaque will be done in the near future, dates to be confirmed.
- v) **K Poole Carlisle CC** – Cumbria Cc – Street Lighting in rural areas (Email sent to all 28.5.15)
- vi) **Request for footpath in Cumwhinton** – Path to link existing footpath from triangle by bus shelter with entrance to new housing at Quentin Gardens, to avoid pedestrians having to cross dangerous road. **Resolved** – Clerk to write to County Councillor advising of concerns and requesting a suitable path be considered.

**Future meeting date 20<sup>th</sup> October 2015**

Signed

Date