

**Wetheral Parish Council**  
**Minutes of the Rights of Way Committee held on Tuesday,**  
**17<sup>th</sup> January 2017 at 9.30a.m. at Wetheral Village Community Hall**

**Present:** Cllr. B Earp, Chairman,  
Cllr. R Nemeth, Cllr J Melrose Woodman

**ROW/16/20 - Apologies** – None received, there was no representative for Aglionby, Warwick on Eden or Cumwhinton/Cotehill wards.

**ROW/16/21 Declarations of Interest** – None

**ROW 16/22 Minutes of the meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2016 – Resolved** - Members authorised the Chairman to sign the minutes as a correct record.

**ROW 16/23 – Noticeboards in Parish**

- i) Cllr Melrose Woodman requested new header for village green noticeboard
- ii) Scotby Rookery Green – – **Resolved** -board to be retained and paving slabs placed under for easier access. Cllr Earp to maintain and check headers required.
- iii) Scotby Village Green noticeboard to remain in existing position
- iv) Gt Corby Noticeboard at Methodist Chapel, may require maintenance, Cllr Nemeth to check and report back to next meeting.
- v) Durranhill – **Resolved** Clerk to request permission to place board at bus stop or near play area. Funding confirmed from Cllr Higgs budget.

**ROW 16/24**

**Members raised issues relating to their wards:-**

- a. Wetheral** – (i) Flight of fancy – Members to re-assess in the Spring following any winter storms, prior to the next meeting.
- ii) Wetheral Ferry Landing – Members discussed the need for bollards on Ferry Hill. **Resolved** -Clerk to contact County Council to request their consideration, forwarding photographs of previous accident (April 2014)
- iii) Whitegates overgrown hedge obstructing footway, Clerk to write to owners quoting the Act.

**b. Scotby –**

- i) Directional Sign – Hartley Trust Playing Fields – **Resolved** Clerk to request permission to place sign, Cllrs Earp and Hughes confirmed location. Sign to be similar to Wetheral. Church sign (double sided)
- ii) New Pavilion and parking – Clerk in discussion with land owner update and grant funding is required.
- iii) Tesco Bus Shelter clean & renovate £280 – **Resolved** Clerk to arrange maintenance.
- iv) Directional sign on Cow Lonning Footpath- Reported by Clerk still requires erecting.
- v) Complaint received regarding horse manure & mud on walkways – letter be sent to local landowner- Dan Wannop, High Acres, Scotby.

**c. Great Corby –**

- i) Improvement work for the village green now the telephone kiosk has been removed. Clerk has obtained price for job. (work to commence Spring 2017)
- ii) Damaged verges Allenwood – Heads Nook – Clerk reported to Highways 6.10.16. Cllr

Nemeth reported further damage which was reported to Highways who agreed to ask Area Steward to investigate. – **Resolved** Still require tidying clerk to chase.

iii) Gt. Corby Play area – a) Gateway remains muddy, Clerk has arranged for grass-crete to be installed.

b) Roundabout surface remains slippery – **Resolved** Clerk to contact a play surface specialist for an appropriate cleaner.

iv) Gt Corby Old School sign – Cllr Nemeth reported old sign requires renovation. Photographs to be obtained prior to next meeting

#### **d. Aglionby / Warwick on Eden**

The Strand to be maintained by McKnight & Son, local builder.

#### **e. Cumwhinton –**

i) Interpretation panel siting – to be erected as soon as telephone box removed

ii) Cocklakes – Direction sign to village – Members considered a request to move sign to new road and renovate. – **Resolved** Cllr Earp and Cllr Higginbotham to provide further information and speak with local farmer re removal to required location.

#### **f. Cotehill –**

i) Playing field – quotes yet to be obtained by Clerk for improvements. – **Resolved** New Gate to be provided. Cllr Higgs to provide funding from his budget.

ii) Clerk has applied to list the field as “Fields in Trust WW1 Centenary field”, awaiting confirmation.

iii) Relocation of WW1 memorial plaques from Cotehill Old School to Churchyard — **Resolved** Clerk to enquire re progress of the faculty from the church and arrange for plaques to be removed and stored. Clerk to request if Village Hall or Church can store plaques to allow cleaning to take place prior to relocation in new positions.

iv) Dog Fouling Children’s Play area – – **Resolved** – Clerk has reported to Dog Warden, who has recommended signage be placed at area. Clerk to request funding towards signage from Cllr Higgs small scale fund.

#### **g. Warwick Bridge –**

A new noticeboard at the bus shelter (Corby Hill) This will be a joint board with Hayton Parish Council, provided by Colas in lieu of lighting work completed in 2015/16, this will be delivered to the Council office shortly. Clerk has requested Hayton parish help toward erection costs.

#### **ROW16/25 Footpath Reports -**

- i) **Path 138038** – Directional sign leaning (Near Animal Refuge) **Resolved** Clerk to report.

#### **ROW 16/26 Interpretation Panels**

(i) Warwick Bridge – Consider wording for board to be placed at Downagate (£1600 allocated in budget) – **Resolved** Cllr Nemeth to work on wording for new board in conjunction with clerk. Additional information has been provided by the local history group.

#### **ROW 16/27. Fingerpost restoration**

Clerk submitted Grant application to Community Grant Scheme for Wetheral Methodist Chapel (Quote £890) Awaiting re-consideration at next Community Grants meeting due to be held in February.

Other post requiring renovation Wetheral Pasture Quote received £710.

#### **ROW 16/28 Environment & Amenities Committee –**

Members to consider a change of name and revision of Terms of Reference of this committee, to better reflect the purpose of the committee. Members to consider and if decided name to be changed at the Annual Meeting in May when new committees formed.

**ROW 16/29. Clerk Report** To note;

- i) Scotby PF entrance & potholes Washbeck lane - Tarmac completed Nov 2016.
- ii) Grant Application submitted to Comm. Grant Scheme for Wetheral Pasture Fingerpost renovation
  - Delayed to enable committee to gather more information, no reply received
- iii) Crown lifting the willow on Gt Corby village green, consent granted - work completed.
- iv) The Strand and verges over grown, - Clerk met with the developer who has agreed to work with the parish council to keep the area of land behind Rosegate tidy. Additional funding may be required to help with the clearing of this area.
- v) Aglionby Notice board – Old board removed, new board moved from Warwick on Eden to replace
- vi) Warwick on Eden – New Noticeboard & Interpretation panel erected to replace previous board.
- vii) Clerk has submitted application form to Field in Trust to register Cotehill Playing Field as a “Field in Perpetuity” under scheme for Centenary Fields commemorating lives lost in WW1.
- viii) Warwick on Eden – Grit bin replaced.
- ix) Washbeck – verges cleared, and tarmac completed
- x) Scotby Village Hall – access road & sleepers- weed killing, to be paid by Cllr Earp, small scale budget.
- xi) Cow Lonning - Direction post – Reported by Clerk

**ROW 16/30 Items for next agenda**

- i) Clerk to request Open Spaces “Access for Dogs” on public footpaths information

**ROW 16/31 Future meeting dates** to be considered at this meeting – Suggested date Tue 25<sup>th</sup> April 2017

(NB Cllr Earp unable to make this date, **new date suggested Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 7.30pm**)