

**HETHERSGILL PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of a Meeting of Hethersgill Parish Council held on 16th January 2018 in the Parish Hall,  
Hethersgill**

**Present** Cllrs H Kay (Chair), S Barrett, N Elliott, A Gash, F Heaton, A Oswin, A Sisson and C Williams.

**In Attendance** One member of the public (entered during item 805.3).

**ACTION**

**800/18 Apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr G Houston and City Cllr D Shepherd.

**801/18 Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 21st November 2017**

**Resolved** that the Chairman be authorised to sign the minutes of the last Parish Council meeting as a true record.

**802/18 Request for Dispensations**

No requests were received.

**803/18 Declarations of Interest**

No declarations were made.

**804/18 Public Participation**

No members of public were present during the item.

**805/18 Administrative Matters**

**805.1 Broadband**

Cllrs were reminded that a digital inclusion workshop will take place on Tuesday 6 February at Crosby on Eden Parish Hall and all are welcome to attend. Cllr Barrett confirmed that the previously mentioned mast on the main Longtown - Brampton road was a microwave broadband mast, although its coverage was unknown.

**805.2 Hallburn Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund**

Cllr Williams noted that the deadline for applications for funding is 14 February with decisions expected prior to the next Parish Council meeting. Local groups, including the Parish Hall, are encouraged to apply.

**805.3 Website**

It was noted that the website is now fully operational. It is hoped that more community involvement will be achieved over time.

*One member of the public entered the meeting.*

**805.4 Defibrillator**

Problems with both the defibrillator battery and cabinet door have occurred over the festive period. A new battery and pads have been purchased and the cabinet door is now working again successfully but concerns were expressed that the door may fail again during an emergency.

**805.5 Young People Services Provision**

Cllr Barrett noted attendance at a meeting to discuss the above. Issues with securing funding were discussed however no action is necessary by the Council at this time. Cllr Oswin noted that a youth outreach worker is employed by Brampton and Beyond Community Trust and she will keep Cllrs updated as to the work being undertaken in rural areas.

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**805.6 Buckingham Palace Garden Party**

**Resolved** not to submit any nominations for the above.

**805.7 Police and Crime Council Tax 2018/19**

**Resolved** to support the proposed increase in council tax to provide extra police officers but write to the Police and Crime Commissioner urging that better provision is made in the rural areas.

**SK**

**805.8 General Data Protection Regulations**

It was noted that the above regulations are due to come into effect from May 2018 and that it has been highlighted that the Clerk will unlikely be able to act as the necessary Data Protection Officer, requiring the role to be outsourced. Further information was being sought however early indications are that the cost is likely to be around £360 per year for this. The matter will be fully discussed at the March meeting although Cllrs agreed that the Clerk should take any necessary steps prior to this.

**805.9 Transparency Funding**

**Resolved** that the Clerk be authorised to submit a further application to the above for website maintenance.

**SK**

**806/18 Planning Matters**

**17/0920 Land opposite Rigghead Cottage, Hethersgill, Carlisle, CA6 6HH - Extension To Agricultural Livestock Building (Revised Application)**

**Noted** that permission has been granted.

**807/18 Highways Matters**

**807.1 Updates**

It was agreed by Cllrs that the general state of the roads in and around the parish are in an extremely poor state, with poor road surfaces, mud on the roads, potholes and damaged verges. The Clerk did send a letter of complaint regarding the recent pylon works although no action appears to have been taken.

It was agreed that the Clerk will report issues on the U1086 (Horsegills) and U1081 (Riggfoot to Sandy Lonning) as well as the U1082/U1085 (Kirkclinton Park to Kirkclinton Church). A severe pothole adjacent to Stoneflatts was also mentioned. Residents and Cllrs are urged to also report to the Highways authority individually.

**SK**

**Cllr Sisson** noted the speedy delivery of grit heaps prior to the recent icy weather.

**808/18 Finance Matters**

**808.1 Summary of Accounts to End December 2017**

**Resolved** that the summary of accounts for the period ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017 be noted, having been circulated alongside the agenda.

The balance at bank at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017 was £3,259.42 (£300 outstanding payment included although it was agreed that this payment, to the previous website company, is unlikely to be claimed).

**808.2 Payments**

**Resolved** to authorise two councillors to sign to authorise payments as detailed in the schedule dated 16th January 2018, namely:

- Sarah Kyle, Salary January, £202.81
- Sarah Kyle, Salary February, £202.81

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HMRC, PAYE Jan/Feb, £101.40  
 Right Print, The Gill printing, £96.00  
 Sarah Kyle, Reimbursements, £112.00  
 YPO, Stationery, £31.48  
 Stanwix Rural Parish Council, VAT Training Course Donation, £30.00  
 Physio Control, Defibrillator supplies, £96.70  
 YPO, Stationery, £1.85  
 K & FM Johnson, £126.00

**808.3 Receipts**

**Resolved** to note the receipt of £600 from Grantscape (website grant).

**809/18 Councillor Matters**

**Cllr Heaton** noted concerns regarding the emptying of the recycling bins at the Parish Hall. He was urged to telephone the required number should a situation arise in which the bins are full. Cllr Elliott is to confirm who the two black waste bins at the rear of the Hall are owned and used by. An article will also be placed in the next Gill to deter fly-tipping in the area.

**SK**

**810/18 Schedule of Correspondence, notices and publications**

A schedule of notices and publications received since the last meeting and not otherwise on the agenda were received and noted.

**811/18 Date of Next Meeting**

**Resolved** that the next meeting of the Parish Council be held on 20th March 2018 at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall, Hethersgill.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 20.23.

Signed (Chairman).....  
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