

HETHERSGILL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting held on Tuesday 19th November 2019 in the Parish Hall, Hethersgill at 7.30pm

Present Cllrs A Sisson (Chair), S Barrett, A Gash, F Heaton, M Irving, A Smith and C Williams.

In Attendance City Cllr D Shepherd. The Clerk, S Kyle.

ACTION

927/19 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received and accepted from A Oswin. City Cllr V Tarbitt and County/City Cllr J Mallinson also sent apologies.

928/19 Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held on 17th September 2019

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

929/19 Request for Dispensations

Requests for dispensations, in respect of the setting of the precept, were awarded to Cllrs A Sisson, S Barrett, M Irving, A Gash, F Heaton, A Smith and C Williams. All dispensations are applicable until the new council term begins in May 2023.

930/19 Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were made.

931/19 Public Participation

No members of the public were present. City Cllr Shepherd noted that the demolition of the Central Plaza building in Carlisle has commenced and costs for the required works were discussed. He also reported the appointment of a candidate for his party for the forthcoming general election.

932/19 Administrative Matters

923.1 Broadband

Works are expected to take place at the Kirklington exchange to upgrade the speeds provided there, which should have lead to a subsequent improvement for some residents in Hethersgill. Residents who may be interested in better speeds should therefore register with BT for updates on the provision of a fibre network. Works are also potentially scheduled to increase 4g speeds in the locality.

923.2 New Householder Pack

It was **resolved** that a meeting will take place on Tuesday 28th January for anyone interested in assisting with the pack. Those who committed to compiling a section at the last working group meeting are asked to bring the information along in January for collation. It was agreed that a new resident should be asked to comment on the draft, when produced, to advise of any areas of missing information. It was also noted that the cost of the production of a limited number of copies will be minimal and will not require grant assistance.

923.3 VE Day Commemorations 8th May 2020

A joint meeting had been held between representatives of the Council and the Social Committee to discuss plans for VE Day 8th May 2020. The outline plan was discussed and it was noted that another meeting will take place on 16th January to consider progress.

Resolved that expected costings be sent to Cllr Williams to enable the submission of a grant application for the event to the Hallburn Windfarm fund. Also agreed that the Clerk will approach the ward Cllrs for any financial assistance they are able to offer.

**CW AS
MI SK**

923.4 Collage

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An original piece of work by local author S Allen had been donated to the Parish Council. Thanks were offered to Cllr Smith for collection of the piece. The matter will be handed over to the Village Hall Management Committee to arrange display.

933/19 Planning Matters

19/0573 Hallfoot Farm Cottage, Kirklington, Carlisle, CA6 6DZ - Single Storey Extension to Provide 1no. en-suite Bedroom, Lounge, Utility & Study; Erection of Front Porch

Resolved to note that permission has been granted.

19/0646 R Copper Beeches, Sikeside, Kirklington, Carlisle, CA6 6DR - Replacement Windows and Doors (LBC)

Resolved to note that permission has been granted.

19/0582 Castanea, Kirklington, Carlisle, CA6 6DX - Change of Use from Agricultural Field to Domestic Curtilage

Resolved to note that the Clerk responded under delegated powers with "no representation" and that permission has been subsequently granted.

19/0782 Lodge Hill, Hethersgill, Carlisle, CA6 6HW - Erection of Agricultural Building for Cattle

Resolved to note that the Clerk responded under delegated powers with "no representation".

934/19 Highways Matters

It was noted that the road from the Scare to the Glebe/Three Horseshoes, although outside of the parish, was dangerously covered in mud. This had been reported directly to the police and Cllrs were encouraged to continue to do so when necessary. It was noted that the road towards Sykehead remains in a poor state.

935/19 Finance Matters

935.1 Statement of Accounts to 31st October 2019

Resolved to receive and note the statement of accounts to date which had been circulated alongside the agenda. Cllr Gash signed the reconciliation following the meeting.

The balance at bank at 31 October was £9,151.91.

935.2 Payments

Resolved to approve authorise two councillors to sign to approve payments as follows:

- Sarah Kyle, November salary, £223.08
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- HRMC, PAYE Nov/Dec, £111.60
- Sarah Kyle, Reimbursements, £83.92
- W & E Carruthers, Grass Cutting, Sand Hole, £210.00

It was noted that the previously signed bank mandate required continued amendments and identification checks before being approved.

935.3 Donation Requests

Resolved to donate £200 towards the Great North Air Ambulance (LGA 1972 s137). The payment to be made using BACS and was added to the payment schedule.

935.4 Budget and Precept 2020/21

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A report had been circulated alongside the agenda containing forecasted income and expenditure levels for the remainder of 2019/20; the proposed budget for 2020/21 and the estimated levels of reserves to be held on 1st April 2021.

Resolved: To accept the proposed budget and maintain the precept at £7,000 for the Council year 2020/21.

936/19 Councillor Matters

Cllr Irving requested consideration be given to optimising use of the website. It was agreed she would speak to the website designer and bring along proposals and costings to the January meeting. **MI**

Cllr Irving also noted the training undertaken by herself and Cllr Smith and circulated information from the evening.

Any Cllrs with information for the Gill are to ensure it is forwarded to the Clerk before Wednesday 27th November. **SB MI**

937/19 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.

938/19 Date of Next Meeting

Resolved that the next meeting of the Parish Council be held on Tuesday 21st January 2020 in the Parish Hall, Hethersgill at 7.30pm. As noted, a working group for the VE Day commemorations will take place prior to this on 16th January 2020.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.21pm.

Signed (Chairman).....
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