

**HETHERSGILL PARISH COUNCIL**

**Draft Minutes of a Meeting held on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2021 at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall, Hethersgill**

**Present** Cllr A Sisson (Chair), Cllrs S Barrett, A Gash, M Irving, A Oswin, and C Williams.

**In Attendance** County Cllr J Mallinson and the Clerk, S Kyle.

**ACTION**

**048/21 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs F Heaton, for personal reasons, and A Smith. The Council recorded its sympathy to Cllr Smith following his recent bereavement. Apologies were also received from City Cllr D Shepherd.

**049/21 Request for Dispensations and Declarations of Interest**

No declarations of interest were made and no new request for dispensations were made. (Previous dispensations for the setting of the precept being valid until the end of the Council term).

**050/21 Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2021**

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

**051/21 Public Participation**

No members of the public were present. County Cllr J Mallinson welcomed any questions.

**052/21 Administrative Matters**

**052.1 Broadband**

Cllr Gash reported ongoing problems in obtaining broadband for his own property, which is believed to be a repeated problem in various pockets of the parish.

**052.2 Parish Survey**

A proposal was made to host a public meeting to launch the survey and create a working group, with spring being agreed as the optimum time to host it. Members of the Hall Committee, PCC, and Social Committees to be invited. It was also agreed that the evening could also be used as a launch for the Householder booklet.

**Resolved** that a timeline and framework be created prior to the January meeting. Also resolved that the Householder booklet be revived; a copy to be circulated for updated information to be included.

**MI  
SK**

**052.3 Queen's Platinum Jubilee Beacons 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2022**

It was noted that a venue for the lighting of a temporary beacon had been arranged.

**Resolved** to contact the Social Committee to enquire whether they wish to resurrect the VE Day celebration plans for during this commemoration weekend.

**MI**

**052.4 Bolton Fell Moss Guided Walk 13/11/21**

Cllrs Barrett and Oswin had attended the above walk around the Moss, noting it was interesting and useful. Public access is not yet available due to drainage and safety issues, although it is hoped to be opened by the end of next year. It was also noted that

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a project linking with the memories of local residents was underway with community involvement requested.

**Resolved** that a report on the walk will be included in the next Gill.

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### 5.5 Borderlands and Carlisle City Update

It was noted the above Teams event on 18th November at 7pm will be attended by Cllrs Irving and Williams. A report will be provided at the next meeting, if appropriate.

### 5.6 Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plans Follow-up Public Consultation (LCWIP)

The above consultation had been previously shared by email. It was noted that it did not directly affect the Parish however, Cllrs are able to comment individually or can submit responses to the Clerk for collation if desired, the deadline for response being 26 November.

## 053/21 Highways Matters

### 053.1 Updates

No new matters to report were provided; it was noted that the repairs to Sandy Lonning had been substantial and well carried out.

### 052.2 Himalayan Balsam

It was reported that works to submit a grant application to the Hallburn Wind Farm grant fund were underway for equipment such as Hi-Viz vests and gloves. Signage to inform and educate regarding the Balsam is also planned, with Hall Committee consent being required depending on location. It was noted that any works taking place will need to be on public land or on a public footpath as works on private land will not be funded. The topic will be highlighted at the public meeting (minute 052.2 refers).

**Resolved** that an application for equipment will be submitted, with the Parish Council to consider funding any deficit. Also resolved that the Clerk will give access details of the YPO account to Cllr Williams.

CW  
AG  
SK

### 052.3 Grounds Maintenance

Arrangements for the 2023 grass cutting contract at Sandholes and the crossroads was considered.

**Resolved** to confirm with the current contractor how many cuts are required and obtain a quotation for consideration in January.

SK

## 054/21 Finance Matters

### 054.1 Payments

**Resolved** to approve payments, including retrospective payments, as follows:

- Sarah Kyle, October Salary, £229.32
- Sarah Kyle, November Salary, £229.52
- HMRC, October PAYE, £57.40
- HMRC, November PAYE, £57.20
- Equiphase, domain renewal, £17.00
- Equiphase, hosting renewal, £66.00
- ICO, Data Protection, £35.00
- W & E Carruthers, grounds maintenance, £535.00

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**054.2 Bank Reconciliation and Budget Update**

A budget summary, with expenditure to date against budget, was circulated alongside the agenda and was noted. The balance at bank on 31 October 2021 was £12,556.79.

**054.3 Precept and Budget 2022/23**

A report had been circulated alongside the agenda containing forecasted remaining income and expenditure levels for 2021/22; the proposed budget for 2022/23 and the estimated levels of financial reserves to be held on the 1st April 2023.

**Resolved:** To accept the proposed budget for 2022/23 and to set the precept at £7,000.

**055/21 Planning Matters**

**21/0903 Low Dubwath, Kirklington, Carlisle, CA6 6EF** - Facade Alterations and External Works Including New Raised Terrace Area with Ramp Access Together with Bike Parking

**Resolved** to note that the Clerk responded under delegated powers with no representations.

**21/0813 Grain Head, Hethersgill, Carlisle, CA6 6HD** - Roofing Over of Existing Muck Midden

**Resolved** to note that permission has been granted.

**21/0965 East Prior Rigg, Kirklington, Carlisle, CA8 6EB** - Erection of Single Storey Rear Extension to Provide Living Room

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

**21/0992 Barn Adjacent Hall Hills Farm, Hethersgill, Carlisle, CA6 6HW** - Conversion of And Extension to Barn to Provide 1no. Dwelling House (Revised Application)

**Resolved** to note that the Clerk responded under delegated powers with no representations.

**056/21 Councillor Matters**

**Cllr Irving** noted that an enquiry had been received to ask that the Parish Facebook page share an advertisement for a business based within the parish. Although it was agreed by all that the delivery service being offered by the business was useful to many residents, it was agreed that the platform is not for the sharing of private enterprise and could not be undertaken. An offer to include the business in the Householder Pack and suggest a small paid advertisement in the next Gill, will be made.

**057/21 Date of Next Meeting**

**Resolved** that the next meeting of the Parish Council will be held in Hethersgill Parish Hall on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30pm. The meeting will only take place subject to a review of the business to transact, COVID regulations, hall accessibility and member availability at that time.

There being no further business the Chairwoman closed the meeting at 8.30pm.

Signed (Chairman).....  
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