

HETHERSGILL PARISH COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of a Meeting held on Tuesday 15th November 2022 at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall, Hethersgill

Present Cllr A Sisson (Chairman); Cllrs S Barrett, J Bryant, F Heaton, M Irving, A Oswin, L Summerfield (see item 115/22) and C Williams.

In Attendance The Clerk, S Kyle.

ACTION

113/22 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr A Gash. Apologies were also noted from County/City Cllr J Mallinson and City Cllr T Pickstone.

114/22 Request for Dispensations and Declarations of Interest

Dispensations were granted for all Cllrs in respect of precept setting. No further requests for dispensations were received and no declarations of interest were made.

115/22 Co-option of New Councillor

Resolved to co-opt Linda Summerfield to the Parish Council with immediate effect. Cllr Summerfield completed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office. Introductions were made by all.

116/22 Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held on 27th September 2022

Resolved that the Chairman be authorised to sign the minutes of the last Parish Council meeting as a true record. Thanks were recorded to Cllr Williams for chairing the meeting.

117/22 Public Participation

No members of the public were present.

118/22 Administrative Matters

118.1 Broadband

An update regarding 5G provision in the area was given, and discussion was held regarding rural service providers available in the locality. An update is to be provided for the Gill regarding a B4RN update and the potential use of a 4G mast within the home.

JB

118.2 Parish Survey

Cllr Irving noted that it had been determined that a further survey might be better supported in the new year. A copy of the previous survey will be circulated to all members for review. She also reported that a projector and equipment had been bought to enable film nights to commence.

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118.3 First Aid Course

Resolved to host two first aid courses for the community, to be delivered by Appleby First Responders. Dates to be confirmed then+ advertised in The Gill and on Facebook. Refreshments are to be provided.

SK

Signed (Chairman).....
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118.4 Jubilee Tree Plaque

Measurements and potential ideas for a suitable design have been sent to Cumbria County Council. The draft design will be circulated when available. Thanks were recorded to Cllrs Gash and Williams for their work in tidying up the tree area.

119/22 Highways Matters**119.1 Updates**

No updates were available, and no new matters were reported, although Cllr Barrett noted he had self-reported several potholes.

119.2 Balsam Bashers

A draft of the proposed sign was circulated for comment. The final design to include the Parish Council logo also. It is hoped further volunteers will come forward for the 2023 bashing season and thanks were recorded for the volunteers who have undertaken the work this year.

119.3 Woodland Management Plan for Henrys Hill and Baxton Gill

It was noted that proposals for the above had been obtained; no representations were made on them.

120/22 Finance Matters**120.1 Clerk's Salary**

Resolved to agree an increase in the Clerk's salary, in line with NJC terms and conditions, backdated to 1 April 2022.

120.2 Payments

Resolved to approve payments as follows:

- Sarah Kyle, November salary, £412.56
- HMRC, November PAYE, £103.20
- Sarah Kyle, December salary, £255.96
- HMRC, December PAYE, £63.80
- W & E Carruthers, grass cutting, £480.00
- Equiphase, website hosting, £66.00
- ICO, data protection, £35.00
- A Gash, reimbursements, £50.90

120.3 Receipts

Resolved to note the receipt of £155.15 for the Balsam Bashers work from Hallburn Windfarm grant fund.

120.4 Budget and Precept

A proposed budget for 2023/24 had been circulated alongside the agenda and was considered by members.

Resolved to maintain the precept at £7,000.

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120.5 Bank Account

It was noted that the Clerk had attempted to open the new bank account with Unity Bank as agreed, however the bank had not accepted her passport nor driving licence as valid forms of ID and the application cannot therefore be progressed.

Resolved to update the bank mandate with HSBC, to include Cllrs Sisson, Williams, Oswin and Bryant as signatories.

SK

120.6 Donation Request

Resolved to donate £200 to the Great North Air Ambulance and £1,000 to Hethersgill Social Committee. The Social Committee to submit claims for the funds as and when required before or after events.

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121/22 Planning Matters

22/0638 Henrys Hill, Kirklington, Carlisle, CA6 6EA - Change of Use of Barn to Provide 1no. Dwelling

Resolved to note that permission has been granted.

22/0654 Appleby House, Kirklington, Carlisle, CA6 6BE - Erection of Agricultural Building for The Storage of Silage

Resolved to note that permission has been granted.

21/0783 Yew House, Sikeside, Kirklington, Carlisle, CA6 6DR - Erection of Storage Shed (Retrospective)

Resolved to note that permission has been granted.

122/22 Councillor Matters

Cllr Heaton reported problems on a public right of way at Ullermire, upon which a gate had been requested to be removed by the Footpaths Officer. Cllr Heaton was thanked for bringing the matter to the attention of the Parish Council however he was advised that the matter was one between the landowner and Cumbria County Council.

Cllr Bryant informed members that a designated email account for each Cllrs Parish Council emails may be available free of charge; this is to be set up if available.

JB

Cllr Bryant enquired whether the Parish Hall would consider the installation of a wi-fi connection; the matter to be referred to the Parish Hall committee for their consideration.

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Cllr Oswin offered the use of a green space for a community garden; the matter is to be taken forward at the January meeting.

SK

Cllr Sisson reported a Christmas Fair is to be held on 20th November; a cookery demonstration on 6th December and Cllr Irving noted a willow weaving class on 26th November. Cllr Sisson also reminded Cllrs that parish packs continue to be available for new residents.

123/22 Date of Next Meeting

Resolved that the next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Tuesday 17th January 2023 in Hethersgill Parish Hall at 7.30pm. There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.52pm.

Signed (Chairman).....
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