

Waverton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall on Thursday 30th November 2017 at 7.30pm.

Present

Councillors G.Girvan (Chairman), J Dixon, T Huntington, L.Graham ,W Paterson. Also present Clerk A.M.Paterson

052/17 Chairman's opening remarks.

The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting.

053/17 Apologies for absence

H.Routledge S.Peile, District Cllr A Hedworth and PCSO Kier Irving

054/17 REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

No requests were received since the previous meeting for dispensations to speak and/or vote on any matter where a member has a disclosable pecuniary interest.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

055/17 Minutes

Resolved that the minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council meeting held on 28th September 2017 be signed by the chairman as a true record.

056/17 Public Participation (at the Chairman's discretion)

None present

057/17 Reports from outside bodies.

Report from the County Councillor. None received

Report from the District Councillor. Apologies received.

Report from the Community Police Officer. Next meeting 12th Feb 2018 at Thursby Village Hall – the police are no longer attending individual parish meetings but holding cluster meetings, approx. 5 per year.

Report from Wigton Burial Joint Committee – Councillor G Girvan reported that Allerdale BC have stated in the precept claim letter that they are ceasing to pay the Burial Grant Support grant. Wigton, Woodside and Waverton parishes were not consulted on this, which creates a problem with the funding as for a small parish it would lead to a large increase in parish precept. Wigton Town Council have written a letter to Allerdale BC and are organising a meeting to look for a way forward. The Burial Joint Committee had agreed to maintain the cemetery precept at the same level. The Burial Joint Committee have been working at improvements with the Memorial garden and vestry.

Report from Village Hall Committee. Nothing to report

Report from the Internal Drainage Board – No further information was reported

058/17 Payment of Accounts

The following payments were authorised by the council

Cheque No

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100478 Wigton Burial Joint Committee, 2nd Instalment precept £700.00

100479 A.M Paterson (Clerks salary Oct/Nov) + expenses £140.47

100480 Waverton Village Hall grant £100.00

100481 Great North Air Ambulance, it was resolved to give £100.00

059/17 Financial report.

The Councils Accounts and reconciliation as at 31st October 2017 were agreed and duly signed by the Chairman.

060/17 Precept

Budget for year ending 31st March 2019 (see attached). CALC have advised that a £250 contingency be included to cover new Data Protection legislation.

RESOLUTION: The Proposed Parish Precept for 2018-2019 is £2150.00. The council resolved to agree the total amount to be precepted **excluding** any grants to be £2150.00. There are ongoing discussions with Allerdale BC to continue to receive Burial Support Grant which currently is claimed from the District precept and not from the Parish precept. The Parish are not expecting to fund the Burial Support grant out of the Parish precept. Waverton PC has acted with integrity and always claimed and paid over on a timely manner to the Wigton Burial Joint Committee. It will be an unfair 'tax' to make electors of Wigton, Woodside and Waverton pay twice for the cemetery function, both from the District precept which Allerdale use to fund Cemeteries within Allerdale and from the parish precept for the same service.

The council authorise the chairman and RFO to alter the precept as necessary when the actual figures are known for the Wigton Burial Joint Committee precept. The clerk must complete the claim form from Allerdale BC by 19th January 2018.

061/17 Correspondence.

The following items of correspondence were noted.

- i. Solway Plain Team Magazine – Thank you for grant
- ii. Allerdale Borough Council – Brownfield Register Part 1 - Consultation
- iii. Great North Air Ambulance – request for grant
- iv. CALC Allerdale – Minutes of meeting 19th Sept 2017
- v. Cumbria LEP – Autumn 2017 newsletter, EU Funding update
- vi. ACT – Neighbourhood planning 21st November 2017, Scaleby Village Hall
- vii. Local Government Boundary Commission – consultation on proposals for new constituency boundaries in Cumbria until 11th Dec 2017
- viii. NALC – Payment of fees to the Information Commissioners Office
- ix. Allerdale Borough Council – Invite to the Mayor of Allerdales Charity Evening on 8th Dec 17
- x. Age UK – Alcohol Survey, request to complete
- xi. Cumbria Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner - Consultation on Council Tax precepts for the Police by 8th Dec 17
- xii. Allerdale BC – Local Plan (Part 2) : Site Allocations. Consultation
- xiii. Shiver – ITV studios, new TV programme after grandparents
- xiv. Terry Moore – Restoration of 'Cumberland' Cast Iron Fingerposts

062/17 Planning Matters.

The following planning application was noted.

Consultation

- a) None received

Decisions

- b) None received

063/17 Highway Matters

The following Highways matters were noted:

- i) Update on items reported from the last meeting – the light on the speed limit sign near the church had been reported.
- ii) Bus Stop Pole – The County Council Bus Infrastructure Officer had reported back that they are planning to move the pole near Todholme/The Beeches further in front of the Beeches.
- iii) Flooding – Waverton. The Clerk is to write to Allerdale BC asking for the layby near Waverton Bridge on the A596 to be swept as it had flooded in the recent rains and had been left with debris. Also, all the roads and footpaths require sweeping especially between Waverton Church and the Old School. The drains need unblocking and verge cutting back on the footway between Church and Old School. The whole length of the Waterside road

requires the verges being reinstated due to large stretches of edge erosion, flooding occurs near Woodlands, Waterside during heavy rain. Can drains be checked and cleared?

- iv) Flooding into the driveway of Kyrenia/Eagledene on the Aikbank Rd is to be reported. This has just become a problem since the resurfacing of the road which was overlaid. Water now comes down road and into drive as it is higher than used to be.
- v) Flooding occurs on B5302 between Wigton and Waverbridge at Grid reference NY 234485 during heavy rainfall as the culvert under the road is not large enough and cannot cope with increased flow.
- vi) The Clerk is to write to Cumbria Highways again to ask them to honour the pledge to carry out safety improvements at the Spitting Box Junction.
- vi) Cumbria County Council – Inclusive Mobility Budget
- vii) United Utilities – Raby cote project – the project team are carrying out site investigation work to determine a suitable route and installation technique. United Utilities will attend a parish meeting to give a short presentation when a new route has been established

064/17 Recognitions

The Parish Council would like to show its gratitude for good citizens of the Parish by sending a big ‘Thank You’ to the following; Keith and Diane Turnbull, Barbara Pearson, George Girvan, David Cragg and Stephen Wharton for tidying and maintaining of Parish areas. Also, Waverton Garage for providing a valuable service to the community and a well-stocked local shop which acts as a central hub. The Council would also like a thank you recognition sent to Boltons C of E School to thank two pupils Poppy & Lily for continuing to litter pick within the parish.

065/17 Parish Plan

Nothing to report

066/17 CALC

The contents of CALC correspondence were noted.

- i. CALC circular October and November 2017
- ii. Agenda for CALC AGM on 18th November 2017 and Annual Report
- iii. New legal briefing regarding Data Processing and Privacy Notes

067/17 Items for inclusion on the next Agenda

Usual Agenda items

068/17 Date of next meeting

It was noted that the date of the next meeting will be on the **22nd February 2018** in the Village Hall starting at 7.30pm.

The Chairman thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 9.30pm

Signed _____

Dated 22nd February 2018