

# Waverton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019  
at 7.30pm.

## Present

Councillors G.Girvan (Chairman), J Dixon, L.Graham, T Huntington W.Paterson, S.Peile. Also present Clerk A.M.Paterson and Cllr A Hedworth and new parish councillor S Wharton.

### 01/19 Chairman's opening remarks.

The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting and introduced newly co-opted Councillor S Wharton who signed the declaration of acceptance of office and interests' forms.

### 02/19 Apologies for absence

None received.

### 03/19 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

None

### 04/19 Minutes

**Resolved** that the minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council meeting held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2018 be signed by the chairman as a true record. (Copy attached)

### 05/19 Public Participation (at the Chairman's discretion)

None present

### 06/19 Reports from outside bodies.

**Report from the County Councillor.** None received.

**Report from the District Councillor.** Cllr A Hedworth reported that he had attended a meeting about the Internal Drainage board and that due to boundary changes he would no longer be standing as the District Councillor for Waver ward.

**Report from Wigton Joint Burial Committee** – Councillor G Girvan updated Members on the running of the cemetery. The clerk has resigned, and they are currently looking into the future budget of the cemetery as Allerdale are no longer paying Burial Board grant.

**Report from Village Hall Committee.** Councillor L Graham reported nothing to report.

**Report from the Internal Drainage Board** –Councillor J Dixon and District Councillor A Hedworth had attended a meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> Feb 2019 at Greenhill organised by the NFU and Environment Agency. They explained that landowners are being consulted on the future of an Internal Drainage Board and funding – if not enough are in favour the pumps will be switched off by March 2021 and responsibility for maintenance of drainage systems passed to landowners boarding the river.

### 07/19 Payment of Accounts

The following payments were authorised by the council

Cheque No

100499 A.M Paterson (Clerks salary Dec/Jan/Feb/Mar) £262.69 + expenses £9.13 Total £271.82

100500 Andrew Ward, Web Hosting £20.00

100501 Wigton Baths – resolved to give a £100.00 grant.

### 08/19 Parish Council Elections – 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2019

Nominations Commence 19<sup>th</sup> March and close 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2019

**09/19 Financial report.**

The Councils Accounts and reconciliation as at 31<sup>st</sup> January 2019 were agreed and duly signed by the Chairman. (Attached)

Precept Information: The Final Council Tax Base Figure for Parish of Waverton for 2019-20 is 112.07. Waverton PC have submitted an estimate claim for year 2019-20 of Precept £2600.00. Wigton Cemetery Precept has been set at £322.00.

**Internal Audit review – RESOLVED** – the council agreed to appoint Mrs E Bell as the internal auditor and carried out a review of the effectiveness of the internal audit. The members studied and considered the five areas of an adequate review and are completely satisfied that all areas are met and completed adequately

**Insurance** – the council is in the 1st year of a three-year fixed contract with BHIB

**CALC** – Making Tax Digital information

**010/19 Correspondence**

The following items of correspondence were noted.

- i. Great North Air Ambulance – Thank you for grant
- ii. Waverton Recreation Hall - Thank you for grant
- iii. Cumbria Police – 10 weekly meetings put on hold until further notice
- iv. Allerdale Citizens Advice - Thank you for grant
- v. Wigton Baths Newsletter plus request for funding.
- vi. Allerdale BC – Consultation on Council Budget – closes 17<sup>th</sup> Jan 19
- vii. Allerdale BC – Allerdale Local Plan (Part 2) Submission to the Secretary of State
- viii. CALC Allerdale – Three tier meeting 26<sup>th</sup> March at Allerdale House

**011/19 Planning Matters.**

The following planning application was noted.

**a) Applications** – none received

**b) Decisions**

Application No	Location	Proposal
2/2018/0522 APPROVED	Woodlands, Waterside	Change of use of land from agricultural to residential and minor demolition work to facilitate the extension of the existing dwelling

**012/19 Highway Matters**

To deal with any highway matters

- a) Update on items reported from the last meeting – Spitting Box. The Clerk has received an email to say the alterations to the junction were made to enable road users to better align themselves approaching the Give Way lines, however officers acknowledge that much greater works are required to resolve the issues being experienced. Following the outcome of the speed limit review consultation, officers suggest that a study of the B5302 is necessary to include the Spitting Box junction leading through to (and including) Waverbridge. The outcome of study would provide recommendations on speed management and traffic calming measures to address such issues.
- b) List of outstanding problems to report again to highways (Clerk had received emails confirming work complete, but none of problems resolved). Highway drain between Old Vicarage and Glebelands on the East Bound carriageway on A596 and the road markings at Woodrow crossroads requiring refreshing.
- c) Bus Stop Pole – The pole has now been reinstated at Aikbank.
- d) Cumbria Highways – Restoration of Traditional Highway Directional Signage and Milestones
- e) Allerdale BC – Transfer of Footway Lighting to Town & Parish Councils from April 2021
- f) Cumbria County Council – Working Together – List of Volunteer Activities surrounding Highway
- g) The Clerk is to report again the erosion of the Ellercarr Road and a crack through road. The river is undermining the road.

**013/19 CALC**

The contents of CALC correspondence were noted.

- a) CALC circular December 18/January 2019 and February 2019

**014/19 Items for inclusion on the next Agenda**

Usual Agenda items

To receive Declaration of Interests from newly elected councillors

To Sign Declaration of Acceptance of Office Forms Prior to meeting.

**015/19 Date of next meeting**

It was noted that the date of the next meeting of the Parish Council will be the 16<sup>th</sup> May 2019 in the Village Hall starting at 7.30pm due to parish elections (councils must hold a meeting within 14 days of an election). Parish Elections are to take place on the 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2019. This will be the Annual meeting and the Annual General Meeting.

The Chairman thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 8.44pm

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Dated 16<sup>th</sup> May 2019