

Waverton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall on Thursday 24th November 2016 at 7.30pm.

Present

Councillors G.Girvan (Chairman), J Dixon, H.Routledge, T Huntington, S.Peile, W Paterson. Also present Clerk A.M.Paterson

060/16 Chairman's opening remarks.

The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting.

061/16 Apologies for absence

L.Graham and PCSO Kier Irving

062/16 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

063/16 Minutes

Resolved that the minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council meeting held on 22nd September 2016 be signed by the chairman as a true record.

064/16 Public Participation (at the Chairman's discretion)

None present

065/16 Reports from outside bodies.

Report from the County Councillor. None received

Report from the District Councillor. None received

Report from the Community Police Officer. PCSO K Irving sent apologies but a report was received. Inspector R Smillie sent an update about future police reports; in future the police will no longer provide a summary of all crimes and anti-social incidents. Instead a link will be provided to a 'crime mapper' website which the police provide data to on a monthly basis in order that communities can themselves search for crime data for their respective areas. Improvements are being made to ensure that there is less delay in the data being updated to the website. These improvements should allow for data to be available up to the end of the preceding month. The link to this website is;

<https://www.cumbria.police.uk/Your-Area/Your-area.aspx>

Also, in order that Road Traffic Collision data is available to you, I recommend the use of the Traffic and Accident Data Unit website. Again this website is populated from data that we send each month. The map, when opened, centres on Gateshead but you can either use the postcode search or manually drag the map to where it is needed. Again, there can be a delay in the information populating to the website and so if any urgent requests are required, I would ask that you submit a 'Freedom of Information' request to our Penrith Headquarters.

We no longer record data for damage only road traffic collisions and so these incidents will not feature in the statistics. The link to this website is;

<http://gis2.gateshead.gov.uk/GatesheadMaps/RRS/>

We will continue to supply specific information on any incidents of particular note, such as major crimes and any crime 'series'. We will also ensure that crime prevention advice and community messaging is provided. Also, when your dedicated PCSO is on duty at the same time as your Parish Council Meeting is being held, then they will, incident permitting, endeavour to attend in person.

This change is not one that is limited to the Allerdale rural policing area, but is one that is being applied to parish councils across the county. Cumbria Constabulary need to make the best use of their limited resources and so we need to continue to make the best use of the

technology available to us. In making this change it will reduce the need for your local PCSO's to be in the police station compiling reports and instead will allow for them to spend a greater amount of time within the communities that they serve.

Report from Wigton Burial Board – Councillor G reported that changes to the running of the Cemetery are being implemented and the budget for the next financial year is to be agreed at the next meeting

Report from Village Hall Committee. Councillor H Routledge reported that a family bingo is to take place in on 12th December 2016 starting at 7.15pm.

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

066/16 Payment of Accounts

The following payments were authorised by the council

Cheque No

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100464 Great North Air Ambulance, resolved a grant award of £100.00

100465 Wigton Burial Board, 2nd Instalment precept £1000.00

100466 A.M Paterson (Clerks salary Oct/Nov) + expenses £142.95

100467 Waverton Village Hall grant £100.00

067/16 Financial report.

The Councils Accounts and reconciliation as at 31st October 2016 were agreed and duly signed by the Chairman.

068/16 Precept

Budget for year ending 31st March 2018 (see attached)

RESOLUTION: The Proposed Precept for 2017-2018 is £ 4330. The council resolved to agree the total amount to be precepted including grants to be £4330. The council have to agree the amount to be collected from the Precept. (Unless the Burial Board precept is more than £50 different from that set on the precept budget). The council authorise the chairman and RFO to alter the precept as necessary when the actual figures are known for the Burial Board precept. The clerk must complete the claim form from Allerdale BC by 20th January 2017.

069/16 Correspondence.

The following items of correspondence were noted.

- i. National Grid – North West Coast Connections
- ii. Great North Air Ambulance – request for grant
- iii. Local Government Boundary Commission – Electoral Review of Allerdale Borough Council: Warding Arrangements. Closing date 5th Dec 2016
- iv. Success Regime – Consultation questionnaire (Public meeting at Wigton held 25th Oct 16). The Clerk is to write expressing the council's disappointment at the various options open to consultation which do not include keeping any beds at Wigton Hospital. The Council would like to see beds kept locally and wish to ask why it is not an option available in the questionnaire.
- v. Allerdale BC – Flood Recovery Update Oct 16
- vi. Allerdale BC – Leaf Fall
- vii. Connecting Cumbria – Newsletter
- viii. British Red Cross – Open Gardens 2017, looking for new gardens.
- ix. Cumbria County Council – Changes to Stagecoach Bus Services from 3rd Jan 2017
- x. NALC – Request to complete the dependent carers survey by 18th Jan 2017

070/16 Planning Matters.

The following planning application was noted.

- a) **Consultation** – National Grid – Development Consent Order. Formal Consultation.

Councillor G Girvan had attended a meeting organised by CALC and councils have access to consultants who help with advice on replying to the consultation with appropriate responses. Items discussed included the visual impact, proximity to property and problems with transport during the installation of pylons. The Council agreed to not respond formally as no objections had been received from Parishioners. Individual landowners who are affected are consulted directly.

b) **Decisions** – None received

071/16 Highway Matters

The following Highways matters were noted:

Update on items reported from the last meeting

Permit for Bench now approved – the family who requested if they could install a bench in memory of a loved one have now decided against it. The Council agreed that the idea is good for the community and will purchase a recycled plastic bench. The Council are to ask local businesses if they would like to donate towards it. Quotations are to be sought from P Foster and S Wharton for the preparation and installation of the bench.

Sue Hayman MP, Councillor Liddle and Highways – Spitting Box junction, all have no further update, awaiting ESS work

Temporary Road Closure Order U2138 Woodrow – 14th Nov 2016 for 4 weeks

072/16 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 for tidying and maintaining of Parish areas. Also, Waverton Garage for providing a service to the community and a well stocked local shop.

073/16 Parish Plan

Nothing to report

074/16 CALC

The contents of CALC correspondence were noted.

- i. CALC circular October and November 2016
- ii. Agenda for CALC AGM on 12th November 2016 and Annual Report

075/16 Items for inclusion on the next Agenda

Usual Agenda items

076/16 Date of next meeting

It was noted that the date of the next meeting will be on the 23rd February 2017 in the Village Hall starting at 7.30pm.

The Chairman thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 9pm

Signed _____

Dated 23rd February 2017