

HEVERSHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Unconfirmed Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on **Thursday 14 December 2017** at 7.30pm in the Athenaeum, Leasgill

Present – Cllrs. Adrian Bland (Chairman), Peter Clarke, Gordon Capstick, Tom Grindey, Brian Rendell, Iain Richards and Adele Shepherd; the Clerk; and no members of the public

196/17 Apologies

Apologies were received from PCSO 5251 Martin Boak.

197/17 Declarations of Interest

None.

198/17 Minutes

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 9 November 2017 be confirmed as a true record and be signed by the Chairman.

199/17 Public Participation

There were no members of the public present..

200/17 Ongoing Items (Matters Arising from Previous Minutes)

- Old railway line footpath: Work had not yet started on making the path.
- New flower bed at the north end of the village: The work would commence in better weather.
- Parking near Crow Wood and Old School: Cllr. Richards reported that after considerable investigation of the position he was of the opinion that the Parish Council should concentrate on the extension of the double yellow lines up to the end of the white "Keep Clear" lined area and that it may be appropriate to help with the parking problem if there was one afterwards. This was agreed and the Clerk was asked to confirm the double yellow lines process with Cumbria County Council Highways Dept.
- Grievegate milestone plaque: The Clerk reported that he was awaiting information with regard to the cost.
- Risks associated with council owned land: It was agreed to ask other landowners whether formal risk assessments needed to be carried out with regard to trees.
- Monument: The work would be done in the spring.

201/17 Reports

- i) A report on behalf of Kendal Neighbourhood Policing Team had been received and the Clerk reported that there were no items relating to Heversham parish.
- ii) District Cllr. Rawlinson was not present and there was therefore no report.
- iii) County Cllr. Bingham was not present and there was therefore no report.
- iv) The Athenaeum: It was reported that floor repairs were to be done.

202/17 Planning

It was noted that the following planning applications had been **approved** by SLDC since the last meeting:

SL/2017/0893 Plumtree Bank, Heversham

Agricultural storage building

SL/2017/0894 Ninezergh Farm, Levens

Roof over existing silage clamp

Resolved that no objection be made to the following planning applications which had been submitted to SLDC and circulated to the members of the Council since the last meeting:

TR/2017/0157 The Vicarage, Woodhouse Lane, Heversham

Fell four trees damaging wall and one hawthorn tree / prune fruit trees in rear garden

TR/2017/0160 High Croft House, Leasgill

Various tree works

SL/2017/1071 College Green Farm, Heversham

Roof over midden

203/17 Highways/Footpaths

- i) The Clerk was asked to report the deterioration of the road surface from Eversley to the A6 and two blocked gullies. Cllr. Richards offered to clear the gullies if Highways Dept would provide waterproofs and training.
- ii) The Clerk reported that Highways Dept had replied with regard to the pavement opposite Plumtree Hall and stated that they were unable to confirm that the repair would be included in the 2018/19 programme, which was finalised annually in March.
- iii) Cllr. Richards reported that he was to contact Dallam Estate with regard to the overhanging branches alongside Woodhouse Lane.

204/17 Playground Report

Cllr. Rendell had inspected the playground since the last meeting and continued to monitor the equipment. The inspections until the next meeting were to be carried out by Cllr. Rendell. The possible upgrading of the equipment was to be an item for the annual parish meeting.

205/17 Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr. Clarke reported that the Footpaths and Tracks group were in discussion with Dallam School with regard to the closing of a gate at the playing field and the right of way which goes across the pitches. It was agreed that Cllr.

Clarke and the Clerk should further investigate the position with regard to ongoing costs for the two litter bins which had been approved for a Leasgill Quarry Fund grant.

206/17 B4RN

Cllr. Richards reported that there was to be a meeting to discuss logistics and finance.

207/17 Electoral Register 2017/18

It was agreed that a copy of the Electoral Register was not required.

208/17 Use of Speed Indication Device

It was agreed that the Parish Council should not rejoin the user group but should consider the purchase of a smiley-type radar traffic speed sign. The Clerk was asked to investigate the cost.

209/17 Finance

- a) There were no payments to approve.
- b) The Clerk reported on the ongoing investigations as to whether savings could be made by the Parish Council on the cost of Street Lighting.
- c) The Clerk reported with regard to the South Westmorland Village Maintenance Group and the arrangements for the gritting of secondary roads (i.e. those not covered by the County Council) and the funds held by the Group.
- d) The Clerk presented an amended draft budget for 2018/19 which was considered, discussed and revised. The final revised version reflected that the Precept request would be £9160, which was £760 more than last year but was counteracted by a decrease in the SLDC charge for elections and street lighting 2018/19 of £762. There would therefore be no increase in the Parish Council part of the Council Tax 2018/19. **Resolved** that the Clerk be auctioned to complete the precept form when it was received from SLDC and obtain the necessary signatures.

210/17 Village Tidy

It was agreed to link with The Great British Spring Clean 2018 weekend and to arrange the tidy at 9am on Saturday 3 March 2018. The Clerk was asked to contact SLDC in due course to request litter pickers, gloves and collection bags.

211/17 Annual Parish Meeting

Arrangements for the meeting to be held on 8 March 2018 to be finalised at the next meeting but it was agreed that it should include sections with regard to affordable housing, B4RN, the bus problems and the playground.

212/17 Correspondence

The following correspondence received and not included as an item on this agenda was noted:

- a. SLDC – Community resilience in South Lakeland (emailed to Cllrs.7/11/17)
- b. SLDC – Public Space Protection Orders (previously Dog Control Orders) (emailed to Cllrs.8/11/17)
- c. CALC – Survey re Council Tax Precept for the Police (emailed to Cllrs.9/11/17)
- d. CALC – ACT Gazette – Autumn/Winter 2017 (emailed to Cllrs.9/11/17)
- e. SLDC – Annual review of SLDC Constitution (emailed to Cllrs.21/11/17)
- f. SLDC – South Westmorland LAP minutes 12/10/17 (emailed to Cllrs.24/11/17)
- g. CCC – County Council Budget consultation 2018/19 (emailed to Cllrs.30/11/17)
- h. SLDC – Parish Remuneration report 2018-19 (emailed to Cllrs.1/12/17). This was formally considered and it was **resolved** that it be adopted. The Clerk was instructed to publish the relevant notice on the notice board for a period of at least 14 days.
- i. CALC – Highways information from 30/11/17 meeting (emailed to Cllrs.5/12/17)
- j. SLDC – Locally important projects funding for 2018/19 (emailed to Cllrs.5/12/17)
- k. CALC – December 2017/January 2018 Circular (emailed to Cllrs.6/12/17)
- l. CALC – Promoting Grow Wild community funding in Cumbria (emailed to Cllrs.6/12/17)

213/17 Westmorland Gazette – Matters from this meeting to be reported for the Westmorland Gazette:

- None

214/17 Items for Information- no decisions or action permitted

- There is to be a presentation on 10 January 2018 at The Old School with regard to a Burial Ground Management System (including digital mapping) for the churchyard (emailed to Cllrs. before the meeting)

215/17 Items for consideration for a future agenda

- Playground Financing
- Battle's Over - A Nation's Tribute and WWI Beacons of Light 11/11/18
- Period Costume (optional) Barn Dance on 10/11/18 – for June 2018 meeting
- Promotion of wild flowers and wildlife

216/17 Date of next meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Thursday 8 February 2018 and will commence at 7.30pm in the Athenaeum, Leasgill. .

The meeting closed at 9.30pm

Malcolm Richardson
Clerk to the Council

