

HEVERSHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Unconfirmed Minutes of the Parish Council, held on **Thursday 15 September 2016**
at 7.30pm in the Athenaeum, Leasgill

Present - Cllrs Adrian Bland (Chairman), Tom Grindey, Brian Rendell, Iain Richards and Adele Shepherd ; County Cllr Roger Bingham; District Cllr Annie Rawlinson; the Clerk; and no members of the public.

101/16 Apologies

Apologies with reasons given were received and noted from Cllrs Peter Clarke and Gordon Capstick.

102/16 Declarations of Interests

None

103/16 Minutes – The Council authorised the Chairman to sign the minutes of the meeting held on 14 July 2016 as a true record after amending item 97/16 to read that the BBQ was organised by The Athenaeum Committee and not by Cllr Tom Grindey personally.

104/16 Ongoing items

- Greivegate Stone: County Cllr. Bingham stated that the matter was in hand.
- Tree Management: to be discussed at the next meeting..
- Dallam Estate re old railway line: to be discussed at the next meeting.
- Land Registry: ongoing.
- Overgrown Hedges: Done but not done enough. Cllr Shepherd is to approach Plumtree again as the bus is still having to swing out; Cllr Bland was authorised to organise the trimming of the playground hedge and the hedge on the lane between Holly Bank and the Field of Dreams; and the Clerk was instructed to report to the Highways Dept the hedges between the east side of the A6 immediately south of the disused railway and before Hallbarrow.
- Cost of Providing Broadband for the Athenaeum: It was agreed to provide wifi and broadband at a cost of £4.50 per month.

105/16 Public Participation

- i) There were no members of the public present.
- ii) There was no report on behalf of Kendal Neighbourhood Policing Team.
- iii) District Councillor A Rawlinson reported that a survey had shown that SLDC was the 14th best region in the country to bring up children and that there was a £330 grant available to the Parish Council for a suitable parish project and asked the Council to give consideration as to whether there was such a project with a decision needed before 31st March 2017. Cllr. Richards asked about the liaison between services, planners and bin collection and it was agreed that we should be stronger in future in expressing our views to SLDC on such matters.
- iv) County Councillor R Bingham reported that
 - Milnthorpe Parish Council are writing to Dallam Tower Estate with regard to the trees at the top of the A6 hill.
 - Nothing of consequence had arisen when checks had been made for possible flood problems after the recent heavy rainfall.
 - The proposals with regard to new parliamentary boundaries had been received and Cllr Bingham outlined the differences.
 - The yellow lines at the bottom of Woodhouse Lane were to be done.

106/16 Planning

The following planning applications have been submitted to SLDC and circulated to the members of Heversham Parish Council since the last meeting:

- SL/2016/0720 Land opposite Brant House, Woodhouse Lane, Woodhouse Hill-Two affordable dwellings – Reasons not to support have been submitted.
- SL/2016/0285 Bank House - Single dwelling – No objections provided that the roof height is similar to surrounding properties. We understand that SLDC have refused the application.

The following revised planning application has been received for consideration by the Council since the last meeting:

- SL/2016/0800 Branthouse, Woodhouse – Two storey side extension – No objections.

107/16 Highways/Footpaths

Please refer to items 104/16 and 105/16 (iv).

108/16 Playground Report

Cllr Grindey had made two inspections since the last meeting and reported some minor faults including loose railings which were to be corrected. The inspections until the next meeting were to be carried out by Cllr Bland.

109/16 Neighbourhood Plan

The update from the Steering Group was noted

110/16 555 Bus Village Route Problems

The Council discussed the possible difficulties for the bus in the centre of the village and the situation is to be reviewed at the next meeting.

111/16 Parish Remembrance Service

It was agreed to purchase a poppy wreath for Remembrance Day and Cllr Grindey was appointed to represent the Parish Council at the Parish Remembrance Service.

112/16 The Athenaeum

The financial report for the 4th quarter of the financial year 2015/16 was received and noted.

113/16 Finance

a) The following payments were approved:

Malltech Services Ltd – playground repairs - £272.57 – cheque 266

L D Challenor - expenses to date - £28.50 - cheque 267

SLDC – precept for street lighting,etc - £69.06 - cheque 268

BDO – external audit - £120.00 - cheque 269

Martin Tyson Ltd – erection of Dugg Hill sign - £40.00 – cheque 270

B E Nelson – fencing - £133.20 – cheque 271

b) The clerk informed the Council that the Annual Return has been received back from the External Audit which has now been concluded. No matters have been raised and the accounts are now available for inspection by local electors. The Notice of Conclusion of Audit is to be displayed on the Parish Council Notice Board.

c) The clerk informed the Council that the induction course on which he was booked had been postponed to dates as yet unknown.

114/16 Correspondence

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

- a) South Westmorland LAP – Minutes of the meeting on 15 June 2016 plus the SID Rota for 2016/17 (emailed to Cllrs 25/7/16)

- b) CALC – advice re changes to the Insurance Act and literature of explanation (forwarded to Cllrs 27/7/16)
- c) CALC – literature on how to be a good employer (forwarded to Cllrs 8/8/16)
- d) CALC – new regulations regarding the Transparency Code for Smaller Authorities and supply guidelines (emailed to Cllrs 8/8/16)
- e) CALC – details of training for Parish Councils (emailed to Cllrs 28/8/16)
- f) SLDC – Allowances for Parish Councils for 2016/17 (emailed to Cllrs 2/9/16)
- g) SLDC – South Lakeland Flood Factsheet for September 2016 (emailed to Cllrs 8/9/16)
- h) SLDC – Declarations of Interest (emailed to Cllrs 6/9/16)
- i) Cumbria County Council – Minerals and Waste Local Plan 2015-30 (emailed to Cllrs 7/9/16)
- j) CALC – re notifications about Revised Planning Applications and Decisions (emailed to Cllrs 7/9/16)
- k) CALC – re vacancies on the CALC Executive (emailed to Cllrs 9/9/16)

115/16 Westmorland Gazette - Matters from this meeting to be reported for the Westmorland Gazette:

- The Council had agreed to install wifi and broadband in the Athenaeum.

116/16 Items for Information- *no decisions or action permitted*

- Cllr Grindey reported that a wooden seat had been stolen from Heversham House
- Cllr Bland handed to the clerk a cheque from Mr J Thacker for rent of the Field of Dreams
- Cllr Grindey reminded everyone of the “Rambling with Roger” event in aid of the Athenaeum to take place on Sunday 18 September 2016

117/16 Items for consideration for a future agenda

- Road works against survey - a copy of which is expected from Cllr. Bingham when available. (Feb. 2017 Agenda)
- Leasgill Quarry Trust

118/16 Date of next meeting - The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on 13 October 2016 and will commence at 7.30pm in the Athenaeum, Leasgill. This will be preceded by the Annual Leasgill Quarry Meeting at 7pm.

Malcolm Richardson
Clerk to the Council