

HEVERSHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Unconfirmed Minutes of the Parish Council held on **Thursday 8 December 2016** at 7.30pm in the Athenaeum, Leasgill

Present -- Cllrs Adrian Bland (Chairman), Peter Clarke, Gordon Capstick, Tom Grindey, Brian Rendell and Adele Shepherd ; County Cllr Roger Bingham: the Clerk; and one member of the public.

154/16 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr. Iain Richards (reasons noted); District Cllr Annie Rawlinson; and PCSO 5251 Martin Boak.

155/16 Declarations of Interest

Cllr. Grindey declared an interest with regard to the payment to and 2017 tender from Martin Tyson Ltd

156/16 Minutes

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 10 November 2016 be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman

157/16 Ongoing Items (Matters Arising from Previous Minutes)

- Restoration of the milestone at Grievegate: County Cllr. Bingham confirmed that this would be completed before 31 March 2017.
- Old Railway Line Footpath: The risk assessment would be carried out next week. County Cllr. Bingham reported that the Council should ask permission from the County Council to put a path across the grass verge but that he had been informed that it should be all right to do so.
- Land Registry: Enquiries to be made as to the current position.
- £500 Cumbria County Council Grant 2016/17 in support of the project to register a piece of common land: The Clerk was asked to request payment.
- Cumbria County Council Grant to repaint the signpost at the bottom of Woodhouse Lane: County Cllr. Bingham reported that this was in hand.
- £330 SLDC Flower Bed Grant: This is to be discussed with District Cllr. Rawlinson at the next meeting.
- Cost of Providing Broadband for the Athenaeum: It was agreed that the Clerk would ask The Athenaeum committee whether they would agree to provide broadband if the Council were to increase their annual maintenance contribution by £200. The Council would wish to review the level of use in three years' time.
- Use of Speed Indication Device: The dates of use were confirmed as 3 to 17 December 2016 and 14 to 28 January 2017.
- Website: Some additional problems had arisen and the Clerk was authorised to seek specialist advice.

158/16 Public Participation

A resident asked the Council to support the concerns of himself and his wife with regard to the Dallam School planning application for two dwellings and alterations to the car park. The Council said that his concerns would be noted when the planning application was discussed later in the meeting and that he could stay to hear that discussion if he wished. He decided to leave.

159/16 Reports

- i) A report on behalf of Kendal Neighbourhood Policing Team was noted.
- ii) District Councillor A Rawlinson was not present and had sent her apologies..
- iii) County Councillor R Bingham reported that work had been completed on the footpath from the south end of Heversham on the Dallam School side to Milnthorpe and the Council thanked him for his efforts in this regard.
- iv) The Athenaeum Accounts and Report for the year ended 31 July 2016 and the Quarterly Report to 31 October 2016 were received. The Council noted that The Athenaeum was well run with cash funds of £24,690 at the end of the financial year compared to £22,172 last year. **Resolved** that the Accounts be approved by the Council and signed by two Trustees. The Chairman requested that the Management Committee be thanked for their efficient and

thorough work and that the Clerk be actioned to convey appreciation to Mr D Fell on behalf of the Council (as Trustees) for carrying out the Independent Examiner's Report. The Quarterly Report ending 31 October 2016 showed the closing balance to be £15,378.86.

160/16 Planning

The Council discussed the following planning application which had been submitted to SLDC and circulated to the members of the Council since the last meeting:

SL/2016/1085 Dallam School Car Park, Heversham

Erection of two dwellings and alterations to car park

The Council noted the concerns referred to in paragraph 158/16 above but **resolved** that its **only concerns were that there is no loss of car park spaces; the buildings are of reasonable height; and the existing trees and hedge are retained.**

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

- i) TR/2016/0152 Whinfell, Woodhouse Lane, Heversham
Removal of conifers and predominantly hazel hedge
- ii) TR/2016/0161 The Vicarage, Woodhouse Lane, Heversham
Fell laurel to coppice height at rear of garden and cut front section to maintain boundary hedge

161/16 Highways/Footpaths

- i) Work had been completed on the footpath from the south end of Heversham on the Dallam School side to Milnthorpe
- ii) Cllr. Clarke was continuing to work on the map of drains / gullies.
- iii) A dyke was to be cleared out at the northern end of Marsh Lane.
- iv) A resident had written to the Council with regard to the fallen road sign on the west side of the A6 as you approach Heversham from Milnthorpe and the Clerk was asked to write to Cumbria County Council in that regard.

162/16 Playground Report

Cllr Bland had inspected the playground since the last meeting and the loose fittings had been fixed. The inspections until the next meeting were to be carried out by Cllr Rendell.

163/16 Neighbourhood Plan

It was noted that South Lakeland District Council had accepted the findings of the Examiner's Report and had granted approval for the Plan to proceed to Referendum – the date of which is to be Thursday 16 February 2017. It was agreed that the letter to be sent to each household in the two parishes should be signed by the Chairman.

164/16 Dependants' Carer's Allowance Survey

The NALC survey was completed.

165/16 Possible Closure of Village Phone Box

The objections sent to BT by SLDC were noted but **the Council had no objection** to the closure and noted that no parishioners had raised the matter with us since the putting up of a consultation notice in the phone box some time ago.

166/16 Parking near Crow Wood and Old School

Discussions with the residents were ongoing.

167/16 Finance

- a) The following payments were approved:
 - Iain Richards - replacement for cheque 261 - Queen's Bonfire Insurance - £107.13 - cheque 279
 - Tom Grindey - Memory Card for SID (minute 139/16) - £5.29 – cheque 280
 - Martin Tyson Ltd - 2016 Grass Cutting and Village Maintenance - £1030.00 – cheque 281
 - CALC - Clerk Induction Course (minute 93/16) - £55.00 - cheque 282
 - The Athenaeum – Annual Maintenance Contribution - £100.00 – cheque 283
 - St Peter's Church – Annual Churchyard Maintenance - £500.00 – cheque 284

- b) The Clerk was awaiting confirmation that the revised HSBC bank mandate was now operational.
- c) The Clerk presented an amended draft budget 2017/18 which was considered, discussed and revised. The final agreed version reflected that the Precept request will be £8400 (£20 less than last year). **Resolved** that the Clerk be actioned to complete the precept form when it was received from SLDC and obtain the necessary signatures.
- d) **Resolved** that the Contractor's Tender Document for 2017 which had been received (Cllr.Grindey withdrew from the room) be accepted.
- e) A Minute Book for the Council 1897-1927 with an Accounts Book 1910-1968 and two Minute Books 1946-1954 / 1955-1966 for Heversham Social Club had been given to the Clerk by John Smith, who had them in connection with Heversham Snooker Club. **Resolved** that they should be deposited at the County Archives in the new year.

168/16 Correspondence

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

- a) SLDC – Draft Development Management Policies Development Plan Document 9emailed to Cllrs.10/11/16)
- b) SLDC – Draft Arnside & Silverdale AONB Development Plan Document (emailed to Cllrs.11/11/16)
- c) CALC – November's edition of CALC Circular (emailed to Cllrs.18/11/16).
- d) CALC – Environment Agency works for Cumbria (emailed to Cllrs.22/11/16).
- e) SLDC – Annual Review of SLDC Constitution 2017 (emailed to Cllrs.23/11/16)
- f) CALC – Developing your skills programme January to June 2017 (emailed to Cllrs.1/12/16)
- g) SLDC – Register of Electors 2016/17 (emailed to Cllrs.1/12/16). It was agreed that the Council did not need a copy at the moment.
- h) SLDC – Parish Remuneration Report 2017/18 (emailed to Cllrs.1/12/16). 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) SLDC – Next Meeting of South Westmorland LAP on 29/3/17 (emailed to Cllrs.2/12/16)
- j) CALC – National Trust Beatrix Potter Awards (emailed to Cllrs.2/12/16)

169/16 Annual Parish Meeting

Arrangements for the meeting to be held on 9 March 2017 to be discussed at the next meeting.

170/16 Westmorland Gazette – Matters from this meeting to be reported for the Westmorland Gazette:

- Thanks to Cumbria County Council and Cllr. Bingham for the completed footpath work.
- Heversham and Hincaster Neighbourhood Development Plan referendum will be held on Thursday 16 February 2017.
- The 2017/18 Parish Precept will be slightly lower.

171/16 Items for Information- *no decisions or action permitted*

- Cllr Grindey had obtained an A1 copy of the parish map and handed it to the Clerk

172/16 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)
- Arrangements for Parish Meeting
- Village Tidy

173/16 Dates of meetings 2017

Proposed dates which will be confirmed with The Athenaeum:

- 09 February ; 09 March (Parish Meeting)
- 04 April (Tuesday) ; 11 May (Annual Meeting)
- 08 June ; 13 July
- 21 September ; 12 October
- 09 November ; 14 December



Community Engagement Report

Community Group or Meeting
Heversham Parish Council

Date
8th December 2016

Report Time Scale
One month

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Key Crime

Since the last meeting there have been 50 incidents reported for the Heversham area from these 20 crimes recorded.

Specific to Heversham:

16th Nov Report of suspicious fish sellers on Woodhouse lane, group tracked down to Milnthorpe and checked out, no offences on this occasion but please do keep us and trading standards aware of doorstep traders especially if they are aggressive/forceful in their manner.

17th Nov Further Landrover Defender and Kawasaki quad stolen from Heversham area.

18th Nov 3x chainsaws and a petrol strimmer stolen from an outbuilding in the Woodhouse area.

Of note or public interest:

11th Nov. A quad bike and power washer stolen from Helme lane Natland, enquiries on-going.

17th Nov Landrover Defender stolen from Ackenthwaite area later recovered in the Burnley area.

19th and 20th Nov significant amount of stock fencing pulled out and damaged in the area of Farleton.

Christmas can be a busy time for everyone even criminals, please keep all your belongings secure and out of sight whether in your home or whilst out shopping, and have a safe and happy Christmas and new year.

Suspicious Incident / People / Vehicles

As always please report any suspicious persons or vehicles to police on 101.

PCSO 5251 Boak