

HEVERSHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 8th October 2015 in the Athenaeum, Leasgill at 7:30pm

Present : Cllrs. Bland (Chairman), John Alderson, Peter Clarke, Gordon Capstick, Tom Grindey, Adele Shepherd and David Cordwell; County Councillor Roger Bingham; the Clerk and 6 members of the public.

54/15 Apologies

It was resolved for apologies with reasons given to be noted from District Councillor Annie Rawlinson.

55/15 Declaration of Interests / Requests for Dispensations

A Shepherd declared an interest in item 8 a) in that she works for Dallam School.

56/15 Minutes - the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 17 September 2015 were confirmed and signed as a true record by the Chairman.

57/15 Matters Arising from the former Minutes

- SID update - two more sessions have been booked for weeks commencing 10th January and 10th February 2016.
- Filing cabinet - has been sorted and the documents considered important set aside to go to the Archives at Kendal library. The cabinet has been donated to raise money for Charity.
- Lampost 104 - now seems to be working, so the original invoice can be paid.

58/15 Public Participation: Matters raised

- Concern was expressed about the possible loss of the footpath along the old railway line, as a notice has been seen near the Woodhouse Lane bridge.
- A member of the public requested traffic calming measures on the stretch of Woodhouse Lane leading to Tristrams. (Cllr. Bingham will pursue it).
- A request was made for speed limits on Princes Way to be lowered.

59/15 Planning

a) Planning applications circulated and commented on through the Clerk to SLDC in between meetings (due to lack of response time): None.

b) The following planning application was considered:

- SL/2015/0862 20 Dugg Hill. Replacement front conservatory. - RESOLVED: no objections.

60/15 Highways/Footpaths

a) Cllr Clarke gave an update on his enquiries regarding the footpath on the old railway. The Landlord has made a deposit under section 31(6) of the Highways Act which confirms that there is no right of way along the railway. The provisions of the Act allow for this to be challenged if there is evidence of unfettered use for 20 years prior to the deposit. It was resolved to form a Working Party, to comprise Cllrs and local residents, to seek a meeting with the landlord and if necessary to gather and submit the necessary evidence

b) The footpath which runs from the junction where the A6 meets Princes Way (Dallam end), and runs to Kirkgate Lane and beyond is very much in need of new tarmac or repair. It is considered dangerous as the Dallam school children use it.

c) The path along Princes Way, Heversham, is very slippery with mud and the verges are so overgrown that they are leaning onto the path.

RESOLVED: The Clerk is to write to South Lakeland regarding items b) and c)

61/15 Reports

a) Meetings attended; None.

b) Kendal Neighbourhood Policing Team; No report was available.

c) Relevant matters from District Councillor Annie Rawlinson; The IDB (Internal Drainage Board) proposal mentioned at the last meeting has been delayed and will not now go before SLDC Cabinet on October 28th - for this reason, two meetings planned in Levens & Brigsteer have been postponed until January.

d) Relevant matters from County Councillor Roger Bingham.

- A £1000 request for the restoration of the milestone at Greivegate has been granted.
- The signposts in need of restoration have been scheduled for November, 15.

e) The Athenaeum Management Committee Financial Report to the end of the 4th quarter, period ending 31 July 2015 was considered and it was noted that there was a surplus of funds.

f) It was noted that the HSBC Mandate for the signatories of the Heversham Parish Council Charity fund (Leasgill Quarry) had been completed for a second time as the original was on an old mandate form. The Leasgill Quarry Financial Report for 2014/15 was given. The new clerk was unable to balance the accounts from last year but the funds appeared higher than anticipated. The Committee gave their recommendations for grants to be given by the Leasgill Quarry Charity:

<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Amount Requested</u>	<u>Amount Recom'ded</u>
Milnthorpe Allotment Association	Provide toilet facility for allotments	£1,000.00	£ 900.00
The Heron Theatre, Beetham	Replacement woodwork	3,000.00	£ -
Heversham St Peters Primary Sch	Educational equipment for nursery	£ 250.00	£ 250.00
Milnthorpe on the Green	Grotto entertainments/gifts etc	£ 500.00	£ 500.00
Milnthorpe Bowling Club	Rebuild wall to clubhouse	£ 800.00	£ 800.00
Leasgill Bowling Club	Lighting for car park	£ 994.00	£ 994.00
St Peters Church	Refurbishment of paths in C'yard	£ 400.00	£ 400.00
Milnthorpe Parish Council	Master Heritage panel	£ 1,100.00	£ 1,000.00
Dallam School PTA	Portable Microphones	£ 1,000.00	£ 900.00
Cumbria Taekwondo Milnthorpe	Help with costs competing/coaching	£ 1,200.00	£ 500.00
Total		£ 10,244.00	£ 6,244.00

The balance of £ 579.91 will be carried forward towards administrative costs.

RESOLVED: The Committee's recommendations should be approved.

62/15 Website

Cllr. Cordwell asked the Council to authorise the purchase of an alternative programme for the running of the website at a cost of £36. RESOLVED; to authorise this expenditure and not to order the original at £10.

63/15 Finance

a) The following payments were approved :

Optech Fibres Ltd.- Street Light 104	£ 55.80
Royal British Legion – Poppy Appeal	£ 45.00

b) After discussion the Council RESOLVED: to approve the clerks allowances as requested by the Clerk by email on the 10/9/15 for expenses and confirmed the provisional contract of Employment emailed to Cllrs 21/9/15.

64/15 Westmorland Gazette

RESLOVED: Cllr. Clarke will forward a piece about the footpath issue; the clerk will write about other newsworthy matters.

65/15 Cllr. Rawlinson's available £1000. The Council agreed that it would be good to enhance the entry to the village from the A6, by creating a flower/shrub bed at the southern end and planting more bulbs at the northern end. RESOLVED: To request £600.

66/15 Correspondence

None needing a response.

67/15 Records to Archives. The records of items going to archives will be listed on the next agenda.

68/15 Items for Information - (no decisions or action permitted)

69/15 Items for consideration for a future agenda

Roadside maintenance.

Repairs to fencing and a new water trough needed in the "Field of Dreams" (FOD).

70/15 Date of next meeting - the date of the next meeting of the Parish Council will be 12 November 2015.

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