

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 17TH JULY 2018 IN ALLONBY VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30pm

PRESENT; Mr R Hart (Chairman), Mr G Browes, Mr A Armstrong, Mr W Bradley, Mrs P Jones, Mr A Jones, Mr J Kendall

APOLOGIES; None.

ALSO PRESENT: 2 Parishioners and Councillor A J Markley

REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION: None.

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS: None.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION; A parishioner said on the double yellow lines on the road up to the Church a van had parked on the pavement for 3 hours and it was not possible to get through with a wheelchair. Mr R Hart said there was nothing we can do. The parishioner said he wants rails for some seats which are in the Store. Three seats have been painted and others need doing.

MINUTES: Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 10th June 2018 were agreed and signed as a true record.

MATTERS ARISING: Mr G Browse has been booked onto a course re. Planning.

Information has been received from Wendy Jameson re. Merchant Navy Day on 3rd September 2018 ordering flags. It was agreed to order a small red ensign from Hampshire Flag Co - £28.00 to mark the event.

A defibrillator box has been purchased by Mr W Bradley for £566.99. Mr Bradley said the money remaining from Allonby First Responders will be paid to Parish Council towards the cost. It was agreed Mr Bradley be reimbursed for the cost of the defibrillator box - £566.99.

Allonby Hearse – It seems unlikely that The Beacon will be able to take the hearse. It seems its sale to be the only option with payment to be split between the Church and the Parish Council.

Mirror for Wigton Road – Nothing further has been heard. It was agreed Parish Council could put up a new mirror. Mr A Armstrong said he could put the mirror up and he will look on e-bay to find out where one could be purchased. Mr J Kendall suggested Carlisle Glass may be able to supply one.

PROGRESS ON TOILETS: Repairs to the roof would cost over £8000 therefore this must be considered. “Unblock” have unblocked the toilets but it was blocked again last Sunday. Mr J Hanley and Mr R Hart unblocked it. It was questioned when will we decide on the toilet block and Mr R Hart said possibly next meeting.

PLAYGROUND; The posts and gates have arrived and the work needs doing. Mr A Armstrong said he and Mr E Little will do it when available. The steering wheel off the ship was found in The Ship Hotel and is back on now.

Mr S Ringrose has been asked to do the work required through the Playground Report.

Mr A Armstrong asked if enquiries had been made to the Lottery Fund. Mr R Hart said the programme will change next April replacing open spaces. Mr A Armstrong said we could join the two together and have a better case. Mr W Bradley said we may get some funding after The Annual

Ploughing Match.

CORRESPONDENCE: The following items were received and noted:-

1. Letter from Npower re. electricity prices.
2. E-mail from C.A.L.C. re. Registering with the Information Commissioner's Office (I.C.O.). Failure to do so would result in a fixed penalty. Mr R Hart said he had registered.
3. N.W. Coastal Access Monthly Update June 2018.
4. HAGS brochure.
5. C.A.L.C. Newsletter – July 2018.
6. E-mail from C.A.L.C. re. their A.G.M. 2018.
7. E-mail from United Utilities re. Hosepipe Ban.
8. Letter from Citizens Advice Bureau requesting a donation.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES;

Allonby Village Hall – Various activities are to take place including ARTEX and new groups are coming into the Hall.

Community Forum – None.

PLANNING: Application for construction of slurry store – Newton Field – no objections.

FINANCE: Payment for registering with I.C.O. - £40.00 passed for payment.

Account from Medisave for defibrillator box which has been paid by Mr W Bradley. It was agreed Mr Bradley be reimbursed for this - £566.99.

Mr R Hart submitted receipts for items he has purchased in respect of the toilets. It was agreed Mr Hart be reimbursed for this - £37.76.

Account was received from Steelway Fensecure for gates and posts - £3204.26 passed for payment.

Clerk's salary and expenses were agreed as follows:-

Pay period 10th June 2018 to 17th July 2018

9 hours at £9.341 per hour = £84.00

Less Income Tax of £16.80 = £67.20

Reimbursement of expenses

Photocopying - £3.20

Postage - £5.81

Total = £9.01

Amount payable = £67.20 + £9.01= £76.21.

At this point Councillor A J Markley entered the meeting.

ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA: Mr G Browse expressed concern re. the state of The Reading Rooms and queried had permission been granted – to be discussed at next meeting.

Mrs P Jones asked about a village walkabout – to be considered.

The state of the beck – Mr R Hart has involved the Environment Agency and has been advised the local team will contact him. (At least three householders have also expressed concern and advised the MP).

A Parishioner said an e-mail had been sent re. the beck at the Maryport end of the village. The sea has moved the pipe. Mr R Hart said he will pass this on to the Environment Agency. Mr Hart said balsam has been pulled up at Hayton. It is going to be an ongoing problem.

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING; Tuesday 21st August 2018 at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed at 8.15pm.