

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 20th NOVEMBER 2018 at 7.30pm IN ALLONBY VILLAGE HALL

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

ALSO PRESENT: 2 members of the public, Councillor A J Markley

APOLOGIES: None.

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS: None.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION: Concern was expressed re. vehicles on the car park opposite Twentyman's shop parking in front of the public access path so anyone with a pram or wheelchair cannot get through and are having to use the vehicle access. A.B.C. to be asked about this.

It was questioned are the big "Welcome to Allonby" signs, 30mph signs and flower boxes being moved but no-one was aware of this. Mr J Hanley said advertising Allonby should be done next year.

Posts on the side of the cycle path on the big green were suggested. Mr W Bradley said there are some posts in the store. Mr R Hart said we can look into this. Mr W Bradley suggested we could perhaps get Mr A Sim with his post-knocker.

Mr A Jones said we need someone to advertise.

MINUTES: Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 16th October 2018 were agreed and signed as a true record.

MATTERS ARISING: An e-mail was received from Hayley Bishop re. funding for a leaflet for Allonby. Mr R Hart to respond.

POLICE REPORT: None received.

PROGRESS ON TOILETS: An e-mail was received from C.A.L.C. re. removal of business rates from public toilets. Mr W Bradley asked about progress on the roof; he feels a decision is needed. At this point Councillor A J Markley entered the meeting.

REQUEST FROM RAYE BOWER TO DISPLAY AND SELL ART FROM THE TOILET BLOCK: Mr R Hart said there could be slight problems; ie. agreement with A.B.C. re. business issues; main use of the toilets, storage issues and selling issues. Councillor A J Markley said are we turning the block into a retail outlet? Mr R Hart said he will speak to Raye Bower about this. Re. Solway Cycles Mr R Hart asked will we give 3 months rent free (January, February and March)? Mr W Bradley said there is a lot of water being used there. It was agreed to give Solway Cycles 3 months rent free.

CONSIDERATION OF EVOLIS SPEED SIGNS: Notification has been received from Traffic Team West, C.C.C. of their proposals that form an overall review of speed limits in the Allerdale area. An e-mail was also received from P.C.S.O. Peter Crome re. speeding in Allonby. He says they are awaiting details from Cumbria Highways on this. Re. radar speed signs he says this would need to go through Cumbria Highways as there are issues surrounding their implementation. P.C.S.O. Peter Crome said after a couple of months drivers realise they only indicate their speed so they then get ignored and become ineffective. He feels money could be put to better use. He has, however, two Smart SIDS

and once the speed limit review has been finalised he can place these out in Allonby. He says this is a better way forward as he can rotate the signs so drivers don't become complacent with them.

PLAYGROUND: The new small gates have been put on and the others are to be put on next week. Mr R Hart thanked Mr A Armstrong

Mr W Bradley said £700.00 has been received from the Ploughing Match for the Play Area and a defibrillater.

CORRESPONDENCE: The following items were received and noted:-

1. E-mail from GBZ ZM lcashhelpline re. Tree Liabilities and Cemetery/Memorial Management.
2. E-mail from C.A.L.C. re. Tree Liabilities and Cemetery/Memorial Management.
3. NW Coastal Access Monthly Update: October 2018.
4. Nucleur Regulations News from Environment Agency re. "Have your say on Sellafield Ltd's Permit Application" – passed to Mr A Jones.
5. HAGS 2018 Community Offers – passed to Mr R Hart.
6. Yates Playground catalogue – passed to Mr R Hart.
7. "Tidelines" magazines.
8. Telephone call from Cath McLaughlin re. potholes followed by an e-mail. Mr R Hart to respond.
9. E-mail from Jozi Brown – Invitation to the Stakeholder Engagement Event.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES; Mrs P Jones reported the Allonby hearse has been sold for £750.00 to a man with a private collection.

Community Forum: Mr R Hart said the Christmas tree has been purchased from Bill James for £180.00 and the lights switch on will take place on 8th December.

Allonby Village Hall: None.

PLANNING: Application for demolition of barn (retrospective) and erection of new bungalow – Croft House Farm, The Square - approved by A.B.C.

Application for erection of single storey rear extension – Sycamore House, Garden Lane – approved by A.B.C.

CONSIDERATION OF 2019-20 PRECEPT: It was agreed this should be put on the agenda for the next meeting.

FINANCE: Mr R Hart was reimbursed £73.08 he paid for 2 years' domain renewal.

A letter was received from npower – "Important information re. new back-billing licence condition" – noted.

An invoice was received from npower for £76.47 passed for payment.

An e-mail was received from C.A.L.C. re. changes to VAT return – passed to Mr R Hart.

A claim for VAT of £1569.87 has been made.

Account from Tivoli for grass cutting - £356.78 agreed.

Account received from Water Plus- £62.56 agreed.

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

Pay period 16th October 2018 to 19th November 2018

10 hours at £9.341 per hour = £93.41

Less Income Tax of £18.60 = £74.81

Reimbursement of expenses

Postage - £2.65

Photocopying - £4.80

Stationery - £1.00

Total = £8.45

Amount payable - £74.81+ £8.45= 83.26.

Account was received for installing defibrillator, parts and certification from New Phase Cumbria - £161.95 agreed.

Account from C.A.L.C. for £38.00 for Planning Course for Mr G Browse – passed for payment.

Account received from npower for £24.72 which had to be paid by 30.11.18 – agreed.

It was agreed account be sent to Allonby Allotments Association for rental of £400.00.

Nothing has been received from Solway Cycles as yet.

ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA: Consideration of 2019/20 precept.

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING: Tuesday 18th December 2018 at 7.30pm.

Mr J Hanley said he would arrange for refreshments at The Ship Hotel following the December meeting.

Meeting closed at 8.30pm.