

## ALLONBY PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 16th OCTOBER 2017 IN ALLONBY SCHOOL AT 7.30pm

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

APOLOGIES: P.C.S.O., Peter Crome, Councillor A J Markley

ALSO PRESENT: Mr L Parker

REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION: None.

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS: None.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION: None.

MINUTES: In the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 18th September 2017 Mr A Jones said under "Playground" he had said the air rider was not suitable for young children. The Minutes were otherwise agreed and signed as a true record.

#### MATTERS ARISING:

Blue plaque for Crook Cottage: Mr A Jones now has the prices for a plaque. Mr R :Hart said he had spoken to Tony Magean and thinks funding could be found from Coastal Communities Fund. It was mentioned we could look into other famous people who have lived in the village eg. Captain Huddart. It was said "Seychelles" block used to be a fish factory.

Mr J Hanley said Des Taylor would be willing to have a Brewery Terrace sign on his house.

Clerk said no reply has been received to the enquiry re Brewery Terrace sign to Cumbria Highways.

Parking on Wigton Road: No reply has been received from Cumbria Highways or A.B.C.. Mr W Douglas said we should get in touch with our MP. Mr R Hart felt we should contact The Chief Executive at A.B.C. - agreed.

POLICE REPORT: A letter was received from Inspector Gale asking if Parish Councillors would be prepared to go to meetings along with other Parish Councils approx. every 10 weeks at Cockermouth - passed to Mr R Hart to reply.

PLAYGROUND: Mr W Bradley said 2 seats have been put in and the big logs moved to behind the fence. The post in the middle of the Playground has also been removed.

SEATS AND BENCHES: All benches have now been installed.

PROGRESS ON TOILETS: A meter has been put in but the supply not connected. Mr A Armstrong said water has been turned off to all the building and we need to check on this.

PROGRESS ON HANDYMAN: Mr R Hart said he has still been unable to contact

Simon Ringrose.

CORRESPONDENCE: The following items were received and noted:-

1. Letter from Adler re. Supplying personalised pens.
2. E-mail from Cumbria CVS - Invitation to their A.G.M. on 9.11.17 - passed to Mr R Hart.
3. E-mail from Councillor A J Markley re. Rates relief for toilets also the Post Office.
4. E-mail from C.A.L.C. re. West Cumbria Bus Users Group Meeting A.G.M. on 31.10.17. Mr J Hanley said Bus Stop signs have been moved to in front of the Church instead of in front of Vicarage Caravan Site.
5. NW Coastal Access Monthly Update: September 2017.
6. Notice of changes to bus services.
7. E-mail from C.A.L.C. re. Their A.G.M. on 18.11.17 - passed to Mr R Hart.
8. E-mail from Nuclear Regulation Group re. Sellafield Beach Monitoring - documents passed to Mr A Jones.
9. Letter from Great North Air Ambulance requesting a donation.
10. Letter from Zurich Insurance re. Legal advice line.
11. E-mail from C.A.L.C. - Minutes of A.G.M. on 19.9.17.
12. E-mail from Wayne Greenwood re. Supplies of external solution for bins for Play Area - passed to Mr R Hart.

Mr R Hart reported that Elliotts have been working on the bridge and it seems things are going to happen. New railings are on order then the bridge will be painted. Mrs P Jones asked who is responsible for cleaning part of the beck. Mr R Hart said Rosie of The Rivers Trust had indicated they would intercede on behalf of the Environment Agency. Mrs P Jones said they have left heaps of waste. The beck at Steer Corner needs cleaning and Mr R Hart said he would make contact to get this done.

Mrs P Jones said re, the Village Hall clock Dick Wagg should be contacted when the power is back on. Mr A Armstrong said he will advise when it is done. Mrs P Jones asked are we willing to make a donation but it was felt we must wait and see.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES: Allonby Village Hall - There is a Committee meeting tonight. Mr A Armstrong give a progress report and said the plumber is keeping them back.,

PLANNING: None.

FINANCE: A letter was received from HMRC advising from 15th December 2017 we will no longer be able to make payments to HMRC by cheque at the Post Office. Other options are Direct Debit, on-line or Telephone Banking. It was queried whether we could tap into the Transparency Fund. Clerk to make enquiries and also go to HSBC Bank re. Information on setting up Direct Debit.

Remittance advice received from A.B.C. - Final payment of precept of £5111.88 was paid on 29.9.17.

Account received from David Jeffries, Ministry of Doing Ltd, for website maintenance and website hosting - £240.00 passed for payment.

Account from ISS for grass cutting - £346.08 agreed.

Account received from N-Power previously of £17.58 has now been paid.

Account from Mr L Parker for repairs to seats, filling in holes and re-turfing -£99.00 agreed.

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

Pay period 18th September 2017 to 15th October 2017

9 hours at £8.717 per hour = £78.45

Less Income Tax of £15.60 = £62.85.

Reimbursement of expenses

Postage - £4.34

Photocopying - £4.30

Ink cartridges for computer - £31.99

Total = £40.63

Amount payable = £62.85 + £40.63 = £103.48.

ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA: Nothing specific.

Mr J Kendal asked who has paid for work being done at Moss Side; is it Cumbria Highways? He asked why other areas are not being done. Clerk to speak to Councillor J Lister. Is work to be done at other areas of the village? Is there a lot to do?

Mrs P Jones said the Remembrance Service will be held, before our next meeting, on 12th November 2017 in Christ Church, Allonby.

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING: 20th November 2017 at 7.30pm in Allonby School.

Meeting closed at 8.15pm.