

KIRKOSWALD PARISH COUNCIL

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Ordinary meeting of Kirkoswald Parish Council held at 7.30pm on Tuesday 8th July, 2014 in Kirkoswald Church Institute

PUBLIC OPEN MEETING (15 Mins): Members of the public can address the Council on any issues that they wish to draw to their attention. Afterwards, they cannot interject in the meeting.

Present:	Mrs P Bowman (Chair)	Mrs I Henderson <i>(Chaired the meeting from 7.45pm)</i>	Mrs S Quinn
	Mr J R Raine	Mr J Haugh	Mr N Jackson
	Mr R Cranston	Mr A Jackson	Mr B Smythe
	Mrs R Lytollis (Clerk)		

MINUTES

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

- To receive any declarations of interest: None**
- Minutes:** It was resolved to authorise the Chair to sign the minutes of the ordinary meeting held on Tuesday 10th June, 2014 as a true record (proposed by Mr N Jackson, seconded by Mr J Haugh, unanimous vote).
- Apologies:** Mr J Brown, Mr R W Raine, Mrs J Tea, Mr J Little & County & District Cllr Robinson
- To discuss any matters arising from minutes of previous meetings-** Item 5- Broadband service- Mrs I Henderson said that she had spoken to Lonsdale Network Services who confirmed that trees can cause problems, but there are ways of getting around it.
- To receive an update on high speed broadband in the county-** Lonsdale- trees/ direct line of sight- there are some ways around it by using neighbouring properties. It was suggested that parishioners contact Lonsdale Network Services if they have a problem. Mr Smythe said that they are now starting to capitalise by getting new customers as they have new masts in place and so are developing the network. It was agreed that the technology is a good interim solution. Strategically there is to be another faze of government funding coming up. Lazonby District Cllr Gordon Nicolson is working with Rory Stewart MP to co-ordinate an application for this next funding package, which is looking to build on previous work and fill in gaps in service. It is uncertain as yet as to when and how this area will participate in it. Mr Smythe said that there will be no change in the Cumbria County Council and BT project (probably until the end of 2015). Councillors thanked Mr Smythe for his work.
- To discuss signposts in the Parish-** Councillors were pleased that both new signs were installed before the C.I.B. judging last Friday and it was noted that Ruth Atkinson, Jeff Tweddle and Pat Bowman had all

made many calls to ensure that it was done. It was acknowledged that the light had been cut off for safety reasons but the new light will be installed within the next two months (it is a priority but it couldn't have been done in time for the judging on the 4th July). It was reported that there had been one or two complaints that, when approaching the sign at the top of the village from Roods Place, drivers couldn't see some of the finger posts. It was agreed to have the light installed first and then reposition the finger post as needed. Mrs P Bowman reported that £1000 had now been received from Community Fund plus £100 from Ruth Atkinson's fund raising work. Mrs S Quinn said that the judges were extremely impressed with the work done to the area. It was agreed that the Clerk should send a letter of thanks to Cumbria County Council and Eden District Council for removing the lamp and installing the sign in time for the judging.

7. To receive any updates on the Community Led Plan and councillor led areas

- Footpath towards Eden Bridge- The Clerk read out the response from land agent, Charles Baker. The Clerk also reported that Highways Dept. were to carry out level checks to look at what type of drainage might be possible on the road. Councillors decided to wait until the next meeting (September) to make a decision as to how to proceed and asked the Clerk to forward Mr Baker's email to them. It was also agreed that she speak to the parish council insurance company to look at any liabilities which might arise..

8. To receive a report from County & District Cllr Robinson- At another meeting.

9. To consider any Police issues arising- Thefts- a ceramic ornament has been taken from a garden in the village, with two cars being stolen in near by parishes.

10. To discuss issues relating to Cumbria in Bloom & Britain in Bloom

- Mrs S Quinn reported that the judges had come on 4th July and it had rained for an hour. She said that their comments were very positive. She had asked whether, in their opinion, anything was needed to improve for the Britain In Bloom judging at the end of July. They had agreed that the route taken around the village was good, the flower displays beautiful and the allotments wonderful. It was agreed that a lot of people in the village had made a huge effort, far too many to mention everyone, and that many parishioners had carried out amazing work.
- Sign on the War Memorial railings- It was agreed that the sign is currently bent and needs repainting. All resolved that it should to be reconditioned. Mr N Jackson agreed to take it forward.

11. To receive the Highwayman's Report and discuss matters related to Highway

- To discuss road signage around Quebec- the matter was brought up by a parishioner as they felt that the public doesn't know that they can go through the area. It was agreed that two signs would be needed and that permission from the householder would have to be obtained. Councillors agreed to consider possible wording for the notice (possibly 'To the Raven') and bring ideas to the September meeting.
- Maintenance of the area near the retirement bungalows- It was agreed that the surfacing is messy and difficult to maintain. It was agreed that the Clerk write to Eden Housing to ask them to do something about it.
- Mr J R Raine reported that the potholes in the Back Lane, Kirkoswald had been filled. It was noted that there are still some worn areas around the old people's bungalows.
- It was noted that it had been agreed that some of the cobbles along the front street in Kirkoswald (outside the Fetherstone Arms) were to be replaced prior to judging on 31st July and the Clerk was asked to send a letter to Highways Dept. to remind them of this. It was agreed that some signs need to be removed from walls by houses.

- Wall at High Bankhill- Mr J R Raine reported that he had now received a written estimate for the work. Mr J Haugh proposed that the work go ahead. Mr J R Raine seconded this and councillors voted unanimously in favour. Mr J R Raine agreed to instruct the contractor to carry out the work.

12. **To receive the Financial Report**- The Chair gave out copies of the monthly cash flow spread sheet. It was resolved to accept it as accurate. The Chair checked the bank statements to the spread sheet (proposed by Mr N Jackson, seconded by Mrs I Henderson, unanimous vote).

It was resolved to make the following payments (proposed by Mr R Cranston, seconded by Mr N Jackson, unanimous vote):

Clerk's Salary & Expenses	£298.39	(Chq No: 100874)
H Quinn (Engraving of trophies)	£ 21.00	(Chq No: 100876)

13. **To consider any planning applications made and related matters**- None

14. **To receive decisions on planning applications made**- None

15. **To consider correspondence received**- None

16. **To receive Councillors' reports and items for future agendas**

- Parish field- stretching post- Mr A Jackson agreed to store it on behalf of the council.
- Usual agenda points plus those above.

17. **Date of the next meeting**- 7.30pm on Tuesday 9th September, 2014 in Renwick Reading Room

Signed: R. E. Lytollis

Clerk to Kirkoswald Parish Council

Date: 08/07/14