

KIRKOSWALD PARISH COUNCIL

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Ordinary Monthly Meeting of Kirkoswald Parish Council held at 7.30 pm on Tuesday 11th July, 2017 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- None present

Present: Mrs S Quinn (Chair), Mrs J Tea (Vice Chair), Mr R W Raine, Mr J Little, Mr J Haugh, Mr N Jackson, Mrs R Borgogno, Mrs I Henderson, Mr R Pickthall, Mr J R Raine, Mrs R Lytollis (Clerk), Mr B Smythe (Broadband) & District Cllr Robinson

MINUTES

ORDINARY MONTHLY MEETING

1. **To receive any declarations of interest**- Mrs S Quinn (Cumbria In Bloom)
2. **To receive apologies**- Mr A Jackson (away) & Mr R Cranston (away)
3. **Minutes**- It was resolved to authorise the Chair to sign the minutes of the ordinary meeting held on Tuesday 13th June, 2017 as a true record (proposed by Mrs J Tea, seconded by Mrs I Henderson, unanimous vote).
4. **To discuss any matters arising from minutes of previous meetings**- Covered under other points.
5. **To receive an update on the co-option of a new councillor**- Mr R Pickthall proposed that Mrs R Borgogno be co-opted. Mr J Little seconded him and councillors voted in favour.
6. **To receive an update on the upkeep of Kirkoswald Church Institute**- Mr J Haugh said that there is nothing new to report. The committee are still looking at the legal position as to who owns the building. District Cllr Robinson offered help from Eden District Council as there is funding available for this work.
7. **To receive updates on the Community Led Plan and councillor led areas**
 - Footpath towards Eden Bridge- The footpath is now in place and councillors agreed that it looks good and is being well used. It was reported that the landowner is pleased. The stile at Church Fold has been increased in height to prevent cattle potentially escaping. The land owner and parish council are to look again at the fence situation, with funding from the parish council. An official opening will take place when it is certain that it is being used successfully. The Chair confirmed that the wording of the sign is as per the landowner. Councillors thanked Mrs S Quinn for her work on the project. Mr N Jackson suggested that a litter bin could be installed at each end, which would be included in the collection run. District Cllr Robinson said that this might qualify as a Community Fund project and money is currently available.

8. **To receive a report from District Cllr Robinson**

- Footway lights- District Cllr Robinson reported that the scrutiny review is still ongoing. A huge number of questions are being raised looking at the requested work compared to actual work being undertaken. The upcoming meeting is open to the public.
- Devolution of services- special expenses- District Cllr Robinson is looking into the implications of the changes.

9. **To receive a report from County Cllr Driver-** Unable to attend. Unfortunately no report was received. It was agreed that the Clerk send her a letter saying that councillors would really like to meet her, that we had a great relationship with our two previous County Councillors and we would like this to carry on.

10. **To receive any update on broadband services-** Mr B Smythe reported that there has been no news from Lonsdale Network Services for over the last 6 weeks. It was noted that a user at Staffield is having serious problems. They now have more equipment which should increase capacity and it is hoped that it will improve performance by the end of the week. Mr Smythe updated councillors on the projects at Gamblesby, Glassonby and Unthank. Lonsdale Network Services are also moving masts to ensure lines of sight are maintained. It was noted that there will be a Connecting Cumbria meeting later this month. It was also noted that 92% of households across Cumbria are now reported as having access to high speed broadband, this is not the case in the Eden district. Mr Smythe said that he is currently looking at a fibre project in Wetheral.

11. **To consider any Police issues arising-** Mrs S Quinn reported that she had met with PC Tony Labrum to discuss parking in Kirkoswald.

12. **To receive any update on Cumbria In Bloom-** Mrs S Quinn reported that the judging will take place at 1pm tomorrow. The judges are meeting at Sue's house and will have a 15 minute talk followed by a tour of the village, which will finish at the orchard at about 2.30pm. Mrs S Quinn said that everyone is welcome to come along. The group have requested some funds to use towards photocopying and trophy engraving expenses (£14.99 plus £8, totalling £22.99- proposed by Mrs J Tea, seconded by Mr N Jackson, unanimous vote). The judges will look at the Red Squirrel Initiative, with its traps and feeders to encourage and strengthen red squirrel numbers and trail cameras to identify where there are grey squirrels. It was noted that the squirrel group is short of funds at present.

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

Highwaysman, Mr J R Raine reported that the roads are generally in a good condition.

- Signposts- New sign at Renwick road end (up at Hartside). The Clerk reported that she had asked David Gosling to go ahead with the work to the Warboys signs.
- Street lighting- nothing new.
- Grit bins- Mr J Banks has promised that they will be installed.
- Water on the road- There is still water at Parkhead and Huddlesceugh Hall. The Clerk was asked to contact United Utilities again and ask for the work to be completed. It was noted that there is also a leak adjacent to the bottom council house and phone box in High Bankhill.
- Renwick village has recently been dug up but is beginning to return to normal.
- Litter bins- Mrs J Tea agreed to meet engineer on site to look at the need for additional litter bins. It was agreed to pass him Mrs J Tea's contact details. The Chair read out the email that Sustrans had sent, following the Clerk's email. It was suggested that it should be sent to the Herald.
- Parking- Mr J R Raine noted that there had been 2500 people at the event on Saturday and there were fortunately no parking complaints. Mrs S Quinn reported that she met with Mr Julian MacLaine and PC Tony Labrum this afternoon and it had been productive. It has been agreed to paint some 'H' markings (white line with short bars) to ensure that access is preserved. They looked

at the middle of the village, outside Oswald House and the vehicles which stick out onto the road. It was agreed that a 'No Parking' sign should be positioned on a post/ the wall. The group then walked up to the narrowing road and it was agreed that no signs should be put on the walls in this area as it will move the problem. Parishioners are asked to call the police if anyone parks there and pass their details/ photo as they are potentially blocking emergency vehicles. Highways Dept. will also repaint the existing white lines and look at adding a second new 'Slow' sign near the school. It was agreed to ask Mr Julian MacLaine to go ahead with the work outlined (proposed by Mrs J Tea, seconded by Mr J Haugh, unanimous vote). It was reported that there are no markings on the road towards Parkhead and those at Demesne corner need to be repainted. Mr J R Raine reminded councillors of the need to push for the 30 mph zone through Renwick. District Cllr Robinson said that the review is being carried out over the summer.

14. To receive the Financial Report

- To make payments of bills

It was resolved to make the following payments (proposed by Mr J Little, seconded by Mrs J Tea, unanimous vote):

Clerk's Salary & Expenses (July)	£283.22	(Chq No: 101071)
Clerk's Salary (To be paid in August)	£253.32	(Chq No: 101072)
Mr H Quinn (Cumbria In Bloom)	£ 22.99	(Chq No: 101073)

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

16. To receive decisions on planning applications made- None

17. To consider correspondence received

- The Clerk was asked to contact the Environment Trust to report that there is a log in the Raven, on the weir at the bridge.
- Question regarding land owner- Councillors were unable to offer any further information.

18. To receive Councillors' reports and items for future agendas

- Clerk asked to send a letter to Mr Bob Parker thanking him for the work to the railings.
- Winter roads
- County Cllr Claire Driver- Clerk to ask her to support our application for the Renwick and Parkhead road to be included in the gritting rota.

19. Date of the next meeting- 7.30 pm on Tuesday 12th September, 2017 in Renwick Reading Room

Signed: *R. E. Lytollis*

Clerk to Kirkoswald Parish Council

Date: 11/07/2017