

HESKET PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Heskett Parish Council Meeting Held on Tuesday 19th May 2015 at 7.30 pm in Low Heskett Village Hall

19/05/01 Election of Chairman for council year 2015/2016

Mr T Armstrong proposed that Mr D Porter stand for the vacancy of Chairperson this was seconded by Mrs O Bell. Councillors were unanimously in agreement.

19/05/02 To accept Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office

Mr Porter signed the declaration of acceptance of office for 2015/2016

19/05/03 Election of Vice Chairman for Council year 2015/2016

Mrs O Bell proposed that Mrs S Bell stand for the vacancy of Vice Chairperson this was seconded by Miss N Armstrong. Councillors were unanimously in agreement.

19/05/04 To accept Vice Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office

Mrs Bell signed the declaration of acceptance of office for 2015/2016

19/05/5a Present

Mr D Porter, Mrs S Bell, Mrs O Bell, Miss N Armstrong, Mr J Dowes, Mr T Armstrong, Mr A Silletto, Ms J Brooks, Mrs S Steel, Mrs D Sisson

19/05/5b Apologies

Mrs Lesley Grisedale, Mrs Elaine Martin, Mr A Dayson, Mr J Graves

19/05/06 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday March 2015 were authorised and signed as a true record.

19/05/07 Matters Arising from the Minutes

Mr T Armstrong thanked Mr David Porter, Mrs Stella Bell and Mrs Lesley Jones for their hard work during 2014/ 2015, councillors all verbally thanked the Chairperson, Vice Chairperson and the Clerk for their work.

19/05/08 Chairman's Announcements

The chairperson had no announcements to make.

19/05/09 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest to be made.

19/05/10 Public Participation

No members of the public attended the meeting.

19/05/11 Planning applications and decisions

Applications (10)

15/0177 Mrs F Armstrong, Vicarage Farm, Armathwaite – Erection of side extension/incorporating derelict out building N/O

15/0197 Mr R J McNeil, 6 Byrnes Close, Plumpton – Proposed two storey side extension **N/O**
 15/0205 Mr M Jones, Low Plains Lodge, Calthwaite – Variation of condition 2 (minor amendments to part of the roof) **N/O**
 15/0243 Mr & Mrs Mitchinson, Beckstones, Southwaite – Conversion of existing garage into office/WC/store + ext garage **N/O**
 15/0257 Messrs Graham- E Graham & Son Ltd – Variations on cond. No 4 (re-positioning of plots 6,7 & 8) due to turning head **N/O**
 15/0259 K Johnston, Blacksykes Farm, Calthwaite – Change of use of Agric. Building – dwelling house – **Withdrawn**
 15/0351 Mr K Johnston, Blacksykes Farm, Calthwaite – Change of use Agricultural Buildings – dwelling **N/O**
 15/0287 Mr J Harris, Brackenburgh Home Farm, Low Grounds – Change of use silage pit – livestock housing – **N/O**
 15/0348 Mr D Greaves, Town Foot Cottage, Ivegill – Proposed New Track
 15/0396 Messrs Wilson – Mr A Wilson, Howfield Farm, Southwaite – Install. of a 31.5 Wp PV array solar panels on south roof.

Decisions (8)

15/0177 Mrs F Armstrong, Vicarage Farm, Armathwaite – Erection of side extension (incorporating outbuilding) – **Granted**
 15/0114 Mrs M Wilson, Thackwood Farm, Monkcastle, Southwaite – Erection of roof over existing feed area – **Granted**
 15/0058 Mrs T Cranston, Low Street Cottage, Plumpton Listed Building – internal alts to the property + erection of garage – **Granted**
 15/0028 Mr Gibson, Castlesteads Farm Ltd, Plumpton – Erection of a covered slurry store - **Granted**
 15/0205 Mr M Jones, Low Plains Lodge, Calthwaite – Variation to condition No2 – minor adjustments to roof - **Granted**
 15/0197 Mr R J McNeil, 6 Byrnes Close, Plumpton – Proposed two storey side extension – **Granted**
 15/0259 K Johnston, Blackstones Farm, Calthwaite – Change of use of Agric. Building – dwelling house – **Withdrawn**
 15/0243 Mr & Mrs Mitchinson, Beckstones, Southwaite – conversion of existing garage into office/WC/store + ext garage **Granted**

19/05/12 Payment of Accounts

To authorise the payment of the following accounts:-

Current Account	£13897.48	Capital Reserve	£6754.33
a) CALC Fees		£282.00	
b) Lesley Jones – Salary		£368.00	
c) Lesley Jones – Expenses		£ 51.31	
d) HMRC – Tax		£ 92.00	
e) Mark Jones – Replacing/removal of 4 Noticeboards and seat		£300.00	
f) John Richardson & Son – Fittings for Noticeboards		£ 22.98	

19/05/13 Approval of Financial Report/Annual Audit (Statement of Assurance)

The Audit form was discussed and the Annual Statement of Assurance was read out. Councillors unanimously agreed with the conditions. The Statement was approved by the council.

19/05/14 Co-option of Parish Councillors – Southwaite Ward

Discussion took place about Councillor Vacancies in the Southwaite Ward. The Clerk explained that the vacancies had to be re advertised for three weeks. If there is no interest in the positions after the period of three weeks the positions can be filled by councillors co-opting.

19/05/15 Plumpton Grass Cutting

Several months ago a resident had requested that the grass from the area near the school could be picked up. After discussion councillors felt that provided the grass was kept fairly short it was alright left lying. A councillor has been approached again about possibly collecting this grass and putting the clippings in a resident's garden waste bin. The clerk had contacted EDC about purchasing a bin (£40) however EDC informed the council that they would not collect Heskett Parish Council's grass cuttings because it would be classed as commercial waste.

19/05/16 Green Waste Skips (Bins) – Calthwaite and Ivegill

Calthwaite and Ivegill are the only villages within Heskett Parish which do not have access to Garden Waste Bins or Garden Waste Skips. Councillors unanimously agreed that the clerk should write to EDC and request that these villages be offered the same facilities as the other villages in the Parish

19/05/17 Land at Bottom House Wreay – Maintenance

Discussion took place about the damaged tree at Bottom House Wreay, Councillors agreed that the tree could be potentially dangerous. Councillors asked the clerk to write to Mr Thorburn who manages this piece of land and request that the broken branch be cut down etc. In the letter also state that appropriate safety equipment should be used whilst undertaking the work.

19/05/18 Southwaite Service Area – Slip Road – Update

The ownership of the Southwaite Service Area slip road was discussed. Motto say they own to the barriers and CCC own after the barriers!! Mrs Stella Bell is trying and use EDC Terrier device to find out who owns/responsible for which piece of land. Once this is confirmed then the appropriate authority may take on the responsibility of maintaining the slip road to a satisfactory condition.

19/05/19 Footway Lighting – Update

Mr David Porter had met Mr David Slater from EDC to discuss footway lighting in the villages of Hesket Parish. A report was put together about lighting at Armathwaite, High Hesket and Low Hesket. The report was briefly discussed and Hesket Ward Councillors requested a copy to study in further detail. A group of Councillors agreed to meet to discuss lighting at Plumpton and Calthwaite prior to Mr Porter meeting Mr Slater to discuss these villages.

19/05/20 Correspondence

- 1a) CALC email – Various courses – (including new councillor) – **Nominee?**
- 1b) email from Mr B Richardson informing the council that he was retiring from CCC - Info
1. CALC Circular May 2015 – **Distributed to Councillors**
2. EDC Remittance Advice – Parish Precept 2015/2016 – **Info**
3. Tour of Britain Information Evening, Melmerby Village Hall Tuesday 2nd June 7.00 – **Invitation**
4. Email report from Stephen Hill EDC – Regarding litter bins on A6 – **Info**
5. CCC – Road Closure C3003 – Calthwaite, Inglewood Terrace (closed 17 August for 3 days) **Noticeboard**
6. Cumbria Community Foundation – Help with managing Trustee Funds etc. – **Info**
7. Email from John Banks Network Engineer, Highways, CCC – Update on Highways issues - **Info**
8. Email from Judith Naylor Clerk, Skelton Parish Council regarding the Noticeboard at Ivegill - **Info**
9. CCC – Project Completion form - **Completed by LJ 07/05/2015**
10. CALC email Queries regarding topics within the Parish – **Info**
11. Email to Ben Eggleston – Great Barrock Wood –
12. CALC – Email Lowick Parish Council - **Info**

Numerous leaflets and Flyers

20/05/21 Parish Maintenance

The following Parish Maintenance issues were discussed, two large pot holes on the Intack to Beck Farm Road. Pot holes appearing on the A6 Toll Bar road (reported by Nancy – have a reference number). The pot holes outside Pine Garth, Armathwaite have been quickly fixed but councillors felt the standard of work was very poor. Signs at Aiketgate and Armathwaite (near Pine Garth) are missing various letters. Standing water on the road near Greenacres, Plumpton. The clerk agreed to write to Highways with the above problems.

20/05/22 Any Other Business

No other business was discussed.

20/05/17 Matters For Information

Date of the next Meeting Tuesday 14th July 2015