

# **HESKET PARISH COUNCIL**

## **Minutes of The Hesket Parish Council held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2016 at 7.30 pm in Low Hesket Village Hall**

### **10/05/01 Election of Chairman for council year 2016/2017**

Miss N Armstrong proposed Mr D Porter stand for the vacancy of Chairperson this was seconded by Mrs C Steel. Councillors were unanimously in agreement.

### **10/05/02 To accept the Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office**

Mr Porter signed the declaration of acceptance of office for 2016/2017.

### **10/05/03 Election of Vice Chairman for Council year 2016/2017**

Mrs O Bell proposed Mrs S Bell stand for the vacancy of Vice Chairperson this was seconded by Miss N Armstrong.

### **10/05/04 To accept the Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office**

Mrs Bell signed the declaration of acceptance of office for 2016/2017.

**10/05/05 Present:** Mr D Porter, Mrs S Bell, Mrs E Martin, Mr J Graves, Ms J Brooks, Mrs O Bell, Mr T Armstrong, Mrs C Steel, Miss N Armstrong, Mrs D Sisson, Mr John Thorburn, Mr A Sillitto, Mrs Lesley Grisedale

**10/05/05a Apologies:** Mr A Dayson, John Dowes, Mr Tom Wentworth-Waites

### **10/05/06 Minutes**

These minutes were approved and signed as a true record.

### **10/05/07 Matters Arising from the Minutes**

The re - locating of Plumpton Post Box was discussed, Mrs E Bell had contacted Royal mail who informed her that planning permission would be required to moving the post box. Mrs Bell agreed to contact Mrs Rose Polenski (former Post Office owner) to contact Eden District Council regarding planning permission.

### **10/05/08 Chairman's Announcements**

The Chairman announced that he had recently visited Mr Alan Dayson, Mr Dayson health is improving and is re-gaining some speech.

### **10/05/09 Declarations of Interest**

Mr Alan Thorburn signed the register of interest book regarding agenda item 10/05/14 Crook's Mill Update.

### **10/05/10 Public Participation**

Mr and Mrs Halfpenny, Crooks Cottage attended the meeting, Mr Halfpenny made the council aware about various concerns he had regarding the Crooks Mill site. These included ownership of the land, wood pile near the road being used as access to the land, and numerous other concerns.

Mrs Halfpenny expressed concerns regarding the depositing of material on the river edge. After a brief discussion Parish Councillors agreed to hold a site visit. Councillors requested that Mr & Mrs Halfpenny and Mr John Thorburn did not attend this site meeting.

### **10/05/11 Planning applications and decisions**

#### **Applications (3)**

**16/0264** Mrs Phillips, Cherry Dene, 9 Beckside, Plumpton – Proposed conservatory

**3/16/9007** Notification of consultation of Mineral County Matter – Application for Planning Permission Location: West Brownrigg Quarry, Plumpton, Penrith CA11 9PF. Planning Permission 3/11/9007 to amend the timescales for the progressive restoration and to utilize additional blasting methods.

**13/16/9010** Notification of a Planning for a Development by County Council, High Heskett C of E School, High Heskett, Carlisle – Ext to form new classbase and enabling demolition

#### **Decisions (0)**

### **10/05/12 Payment of accounts**

**Current Account £3338.20**

a) Lesley Jones – Computer Repair	£ 95.80
b) CALC - Annual Fee	£282.00
c) Eric Scott – Maintenance	£283.00
d) Lesley Jones – Salary	£460.00
e) Lesley Jones – Expenses	£ 50.55
f) Low Heskett Village Hall – Hall Hire	£ 30.00
g) Viking Direct – Stationery	£102.93

**Capital Reserve £8260.35**

### **10/05/13 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.

### **10/05/14 Crooks Mill Update**

Councillors agreed to hold a site visit after the Parish Council Meeting 10.05.16, to enable them to get a better understanding of Mr Halfpenny's concerns with the land at this area. After the site visit the clerk to write to Mr & Mrs Halfpenny.

### **10/05/15 Katharine's Well – Update**

Mr Porter informed the council that the trees that were causing damage to Katharine's Well had recently been cut down and removed by a tree surgeon organised by Mr Richard Fisher. Three quotes had been received for repairing the stonework on the well 1). Askins and Little £3100.00 plus VAT, 2). Richard Moscrop £1206.00 3). D E Eastham Ltd £795.00 plus VAT.

After discussion councillors unanimously agreed that Richard Moscrop's quote of £1206.00 should be accepted, the reason is he is local and has already undertaken similar work on the Katharine Losh Monument at Wreay Church. Councillors requested that the clerk contact Mr Moscrop regarding starting the work also to contact The Twelve Men of Wreay who have already been contacted regarding a donation towards funding this project.

### **10/05/16 Grass Cutting – Plumpton**

A Plumpton resident has been cutting the grass near the river, after discussion councillors requested that a letter be written to thank him for the work he has undertaken in keeping Plumpton tidy. Councillors also requested that the clerk ask CALC if "Grass cutting could progress to ownership rights".

## **10/05/17 Plumpton Noticeboard**

Mrs E Martin and Mrs O Bell had looked into alternative sites for the new noticeboard. However it was agreed that the original location of the A6 on the school wall was the best site available.

## **10/05/18 Hesket Parish Council Vacancies**

The clerk had displayed notices on the noticeboards regarding vacancies. Mrs E Martin informed the group that Mr Fisher had not attended meeting for the last six consecutive months, therefore he is no longer a parish councillor, the vacancy would have to be advertised and after a period of time if no one else is interested then Mr Fisher could be co-opted back on the Council if he still wishes to be a Parish Councillor. Councillors requested that the clerk write to Mr Fisher.

## **10/05/19 Hesket Parish Council Complaints Procedure**

Discussion took place regarding the Parish Council having a Complaints Procedure. It was agreed that Mrs S Bell, Mr D Porter, Mrs C Steel, Mrs E Martin and Mrs L Jones should form group to create a document for the council.

## **10/05/20 Donations Parochial Church Council**

A letter had been received from Plumpton Parochial Church Council requesting an increase in the donation which is given towards the maintenance of graveyards. The last increase in this donation was in 2008. Councillors unanimously agreed that donations to Hesket, Plumpton and Armathwaite should be increased to £300 and Ivegill to £150.00.

## **10/05/21 Armathwaite Play Area**

A quote of £160.00 plus VAT had been received from Clark Davidson, C Davidson and Sons to prune the trees that are overhanging near a property at the Play Area. Councillors considered the quote and also the fact that several other qualified tree surgeons had been asked to quote and had not come forward with any prices. Mrs S Bell proposed and Mrs E Martin seconded that the maintenance work should go ahead.

## **10/05/22 Correspondence**

1. The Pensions Regulator – Information – **Stella Bell**
2. Email – Kimberley Lawson – regarding litter picking Kitchen Hill and Kettle Hill area - **Info**
3. Rural Vulnerability Service – Better Broadband - **Info**
4. Village Boundary Query - **Info**
5. Notice of Inclusion in the List of Assets of Community Value – Dukes Head, Armathwaite - **Info**
6. Police and Crime Commissioners Elections – Public Awareness – Notices on noticeboards
7. Emails from John Banks – Maintenance in Hesket Parish – **Info**
8. Eden Community Fund – Grants for Community Projects and Events in Eden 2016/2017 - **Info**
9. Rural Services Network – Rural Vulnerability Service – **Info**
10. Letter from Eden District Council Contacting Cumbria Police during Appleby Horse Fair 2 – 8 June 2016
11. Email from EDC – Notification of the Parish Precept for 2016/2017
12. Email from Sue George/Angela Davis stating they were not able to manage the planting at High Hesket – **Info**
13. Email from CALC – Notification of Training courses – **Info**
14. Email Eden Brows – Update - **Info**

Numerous booklets and leaflets for information

## **10/05/23 Parish Maintenance**

It was reported that the pavement opposite the Veterinary Investigation Centre had damaged kerbstones due to lorries' driving over them and damaging them, the damage is causing flooding to neighbouring fields when wet.

A letter/petition had been received from Mr John Woodman regarding the condition of Armathwaite Village to Low House Crossing. Mr Porter agreed to go and have a look and meet Mr Woodman.

Footway Low Plains, Thiefside to Lazonby road end very overgrown and uneven.

**10/05/24      Matters For Information**

A request had been made to plant tube on the grass at Plumpton. Mrs Martin reported that B & Q sometimes offered this service for nothing. Mrs Martin agreed to look into this and contact the clerk - possibly High Hesket could receive the same service if available.

Mrs Martin asked about the removal of the old BT phone box at Plumpton. Mrs Jones to write to BT to see if this can be removed.

**10/05.25      Date of next meeting Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2016**