

# Hesket Parish Council

## Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2019 at 7.30pm in Low Hesket Village Hall, Low Hesket.

**Present:** Councillors; Barry Davidson, John Doves, Hugh Lowthian, Elaine Martin (Chair), Jenny Porter, John Rimmington, David Scurrah, Alan Sillito, Christine Steel, Tom Wentworth-Waites (CCC)

Officers; Lisa Beken (Clerk)

Two members of the public were also present

- 05/19/1** **Membership of the Council: RESOLVED** that all Councillors appointed through an uncontested election signed their Acceptance of Office forms, witnessed by the Clerk.
- 05/19/2** **Council vacancies: RESOLVED** that upon proof of eligibility, David Scurrah was co-opted as a member of the Parish Council for Armathwaite ward and duly signed the Acceptance of Office form, witnessed by the Clerk.
- 05/19/3** **Election of Chair: RESOLVED** that Councillor Martin was unanimously elected Chair of the Parish Council for the year March 2019 – April 2020 and duly signed the Acceptance of Office form, witnessed by the Clerk.
- 05/19/4** **Election of Vice-Chair: RESOLVED** that Councillor Rimmington was unanimously elected Vice-Chair of the Parish Council for the year March 2019 – April 2020 and duly signed the Acceptance of Office form, witnessed by the Clerk.
- 05/19/5** **Apologies for absence: RESOLVED** that the following absences be noted:
- Councillor Olive Bell, retiring (apologies received);
  - Councillor Nigel Dean, retiring (apologies received);
  - PCSO Erica Norman (apologies received);
  - Councillor David Porter (apologies received);
  - EDC Councillor David Ryland (apologies received).
- 05/19/6** **Declaration of interests: RESOLVED** that the following declarations of interest be noted;
- Councillor Martin – Member of Plumpton Children’s Treat Committee.
  - Councillor Lowthian – Spouse of member of Plumpton Children’s Treat Committee.
- 05/19/7** **Minutes: RESOLVED** that the minutes of the previous meeting held on November 13<sup>th</sup> 2019 were confirmed as a true record and were signed by the Chair.
- 05/19/8** **Chair’s announcements: RESOLVED** that the Chair made no announcements.
- 05/19/9** **Annual Accounts: RESOLVED** that the Annual Accounting Statements were agreed, and that the Chair signed the accounting declaration. Councillors agreed that VAT refund received in relation to the Footway Lighting bill be transferred to the allocated reserve account for future years costs.
- 05/19/10** **Public Participation: RESOLVED** that no members of the public wished to participate.
- 05/19/11** **Cumbria County Council Report: RESOLVED that Councillor Wentworth-Waites** provided an update on Highways ongoing work on the A66, and asked for any feedback regarding the recent upgrades to the road between the A6 and Armathwaite. He confirmed that work is ongoing to refurbish all iron signposts within Eden. Councillors raised concerns regarding advertising posters on lampposts and telegraph poles, which Councillor Wentworth-Waites will follow up.
- 05/19/12** **Eden District Council Report: RESOLVED that Councillor Ryland** was not present.
- 05/19/13** **Cumbria Police Report: RESOLVED that PCSO Norman** provided a full report on crime in the Parish since the last meeting, which was read to the Council, and will be made available through the Parish Council website.
- 05/19/14** **Progress Reports: RESOLVED** that the Clerk provided the following updates:
- a) Road flooding, Low Hesket – that investigations by Cumbria County Council’s Highways department are to be postponed until future occurrences.
  - b) Post box, Plumpton – that the relocation is in process and that Royal Mail are awaiting confirmation from United Utilities and Cumbria County Council.

- c) Housing development, Station Road, Armathwaite – that the development will be named “Curlew Close”.
  - d) Road issues, C1038, Armathwaite – that Cumbria County Council Highways department will be conducting speed monitoring in this financial year.
  - e) Paddleboarding event, Drybeck Farm – that assurances have been received regarding litter, including an offer of assistance for a future litter pick.
  - f) Proposed bus shelter, Low Hesket – that Councillors were informed of cost implications of alternate building materials, and that the Clerk was continuing to investigate funding options.
- 05/19/15 Parish Council Policy Documents: RESOLVED** that following minor adjustments, the revised Standing Orders and Financial Regulations were approved and adopted by the Parish Council.
- 05/19/16 Crook’s Bridge Tree Tender: RESOLVED** that following presentation of three tenders, Councillors agreed to engage C Davidson to conduct required work at Crook’s Bridge, Wreay. The Clerk was requested to arrange for this.
- 05/19/17 Footpaths, Southwaite: RESOLVED** that Councillor Rimmington presented issues raised regarding a damaged bridge over the River Petteril on the footpath between Mellguards and Barrock Park. Councillor Rimmington informed the Council that he would be meeting with an officer from Cumbria County Council to discuss footpaths, and asked to speak on behalf of the Council which was agreed. He asked Councillors to pass on other known issues with rights of way in the Parish.
- 05/19/18 Armathwaite Play Area: RESOLVED** that Councillors were issued with the results of a short survey conducted in the Parish regarding the Play Area. Councillors were informed that a request for funding had been made to developer Genesis Homes, although no reply had yet been received. Councillors instructed the Clerk to arrange for site visits with play equipment suppliers, and bring quotes to the next meeting. The Clerk was instructed to continue investigating funding options.
- 05/19/19 Online Banking: RESOLVED** that this was postponed following signatory Councillor Bell’s resignation, and that the appropriate form to remove her was authorised and signed.
- 05/19/20 Footway Lighting: RESOLVED** that the Clerk informed the Council that Eden District Council have confirmed that they will not replace the light in Armathwaite, on the Ainstable side of Armathwaite Bridge, as it does not meet their guidelines. The Clerk was requested to arrange a site visit with the District Council to further discuss the matter. The Council was informed that Eden District Council had awarded the contract for the transfer of all lights to LED, and that work should be completed by the end of August. The Clerk had enquired as to the effect this should have on billed supply costs, and was awaiting a further response.
- 05/19/21 Parking, High Hesket Primary School: RESOLVED** that the Council was informed of concerns raised by local residents regarding dangerous and obstructive parking during school drop-off and pick-up. The Clerk had written to the Head, who shared the concerns and has been working with PCSO’s to try and alleviate matters as well as attempting to resume a ‘walking-bus’. A reminder was sent to parents by the school following the Council’s contact.
- 05/19/22 War Memorial, High Hesket: RESOLVED** that the Council offered their support for the listing of this structure. Reassurances were given that this would pose no financial liability to the Council.
- 05/19/23 Plumpton Bus Shelter: RESOLVED** that following presentation of a proposal to renovate Plumpton Bus Shelter, the Council decided that the designs proposed would be out of character with the local area. The Council wished to thank the proposer for their time and input.
- 05/19/24 Planning decision notices – For information only**
- a) 19/0091 Morton Sceugh Farm. Demolition of agricultural building and erection of new building. **GRANTED subject to conditions**
  - b) 19/0095 5 The Barn Armathwaite. Demolish conservatory and replace with extension. **GRANTED subject to conditions**
  - c) 19/0149 Greenacres, Southwaite. Refurbishment and extension of dwelling. **GRANTED subject to conditions**
  - d) 18/0771 Land north of Barrock Close, Southwaite. Application for 3 dwellings. **WITHDRAWN**
  - e) 19/0156 Coopers Close, High Hesket. Design amendments. **GRANTED subject to conditions**
  - f) 18/0669 Nord Vue, Armathwaite. Change of use of land to holiday park lodge. **GRANTED subject to conditions**

- 05/19/25 Planning Applications – For information only**
- a) 19/0149 Greenacres, Southwaite. Refurbishment and extension of dwelling. **Comments in support submitted** (see 05/19/24 b)
  - b) 19/0156 Coopers Close, High Hesket. Design amendments. **No objections** (see 05/19/24 e)
  - c) 19/0214 Field Head Cottage, Calthwaite. Listed building consent for replacement of timber windows with UPVC. **Comments in support submitted**
  - d) 19/0213 High Oaks Farm, Calthwaite. Permanent roof over existing grain store. **No objections**
  - e) 19/0215 Linton Ghyll Farm, Ivegill. Certificate of lawfulness; use as dwelling. **No objections**
  - f) 19/0234 Pinegarth, Armathwaite. Retrospective application for garden gate. **No objections**
  - g) 19/0312 Fell View, Mellguards, Southwaite. Demolition of existing workshop and erection of two storey extension to existing cottage. (Councillor Rimmington to pass comments to Clerk before June 2<sup>nd</sup> 2019)
- 05/19/26 Payments of accounts: RESOLVED** to pay the accounts as detailed in the attached payment schedule.
- 05/19/27 Correspondence: RESOLVED** that the following correspondence was received and acknowledged;
- a) Came & Company – for information only
  - b) Grant request, Christ Church, Ivegill. **RESOLVED** that a donation of £150 was agreed.
  - c) Grant request, Court Thorn Patient Participation Group. **RESOLVED** that Councillors requested a representative attend the next Council meeting to provide further detail.
  - d) Grant request, Plumpton Children’s Treat Committee. **RESOLVED** that a donation of £500 was agreed.
  - e) Grant request, St Mary’s Church, High Hesket. **RESOLVED** that a donation of £300 was agreed.
  - f) Invite to CALC summer conference.
  - g) Local Council Review subscription.
  - h) Felling of tree, Armathwaite. **RESOLVED** that Councillors agreed that the tree in question posed a potential hazard and should be felled. Clerk to relay to Cumbria County Council.
  - i) Miller’s Rest name request. **RESOLVED** that Councillors supported the naming request of a property in the Parish. Clerk to write a letter of confirmation.
- 05/19/28 Parish Maintenance;**
- a) Update regarding noticeboard repairs. **RESOLVED** that the Clerk had agreed to arrange repairs at cost price to the Council.
  - b) Proposed litter bin, Low Hesket. **RESOLVED** that following a site visit between Councillor Martin, Councillor Sillito and Eden District Council, a new litter bin is to be sited on the Low Hesket to Aiketgate road, at the 40mph sign. Councillors were assured the Eden District Council would be responsible for emptying the bin.
- 05/19/29 Council matter: RESOLVED** that the following matters were raised;
- a) Councillor Dowes raised concerns regarding the new footpath at the development at Station Road, Armathwaite. These had been raised with both the developer and Cumbria County Council and Councillors were assured that the work was still at an early stage, and that the County Council would be monitoring to ensure work was completed appropriately.
  - b) Councillor Davidson raised concerns from a Calthwaite resident regarding the pavement outside his property, and restrictions the condition of such would pose due to medical need for a mobility scooter. Councillor Davidson also raised concern regarding a damaged section of road in Calthwaite. Clerk to contact Cumbria County Council Highways department.
  - c) Councillor Martin raised concerns about the condition of grassed area at properties owned by the Brackenburgh Estate. Clerk to contact.
  - d) Councillor Martin raised concerns regarding overhanging bushes at Calthwaite causing an obstruction road users. Clerk to contact Cumbria Council Highways department.
- 05/19/30 Date of the next meeting – Tuesday July 9<sup>th</sup>, at 7.30pm.**

**Meeting closed at 9.20pm**

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## Financial Officer's Report May 14th 2019

### **Bank Balances**

Balances at April 26th 2019:

Current Account	£19,809.58
Business Reserve Account	£12,784.12
Business Reserve Account 2	£1,750.76
<b>Total</b>	<b>£34,344.46</b>

### **Receipts**

Monies received at April 26th 2019:

Precept and CTRS	£13,000.00
Footway Lighting Grant	£4,264.00
Interest	£0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£17,264.00</b>

### **Payment Schedule**

I present for approval the following accounts for payment - Vouchers No. 18-19/56 to 19-20/10 amounting to £2,088.70

VN	Chq No.	Payee	Budget Heading	Amount
18-19/56	SO	L Beken	Staffing	£242.84
19-20/01	DD	Cumbria Payroll Services	Staffing	£14.40
19-20/02	1398	Rocket Sites Ltd	Website	£90.00
19-20/03	1399	CALC	Subscriptions	£366.39
19-20/04	DD	Cumbria Payroll Services	Staffing	£14.40
19-20/05	SO	L Beken	Staffing	£254.00
19-20/06	1400	L Beken	Clerk expenses	£93.08
19-20/07	1401	L Beken	Administration	£63.59
19-20/08	1403	Christ Church, Ivegill	Section 137	£150.00
19-20/09	1404	Plumpton Children's Treat Committee	Section 137	£500.00
19-20/10	1405	PCC High Hesket	Section 137	£300.00
		<b>Total</b>		<b>£2,088.70</b>

### **Balance Transfers**

None required	
<b>Total</b>	<b>£0.00</b>

<b>Approved - Minute Number</b>	05/19/26
<b>Check signatories</b>	Elaine Martin
	Barry Davidson
<b>Date</b>	14/05/2019