

# Hesket Parish Council

**Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting of Hesket Parish Council held on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2021 at 7.30pm at Armathwaite Old School Hall.**

**Present:** Parish Councillors: Gillian Campbell, John Dowes, Gillian Gibson, Elaine Martin (Chair), David Scurrah (Vice-Chair), Vivian Waugh  
District Councillor: David Ryland  
Officers: Lisa Beken (Clerk)

Twenty-nine members of the public were also present.

- 10/21/1**                    **Apologies for absence: RESOLVED that the following absences be noted:**
- Councillor Barry Davidson due to work commitments;
  - Councillor Dawn Pollock, due to family commitments;
  - Councillor Christine Steel, apologies received;
  - Councillor Matthew Graves (no apologies received);
  - County Councillor Tom Wentworth-Waites, due to family commitments.
- 10/21/2**                    **Declaration of interests: RESOLVED** that no interests were declared.
- 10/21/3**                    **Minutes: RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2021 were confirmed as a true record and were signed by the Chair.
- 10/21/4**                    **Matters arising from the minutes: RESOLVED** that there were no matters arising.
- 10/21/5**                    **Chair’s announcements: RESOLVED** that Councillor Elaine Martin announced her intention not to stand as a Councillor in the elections for the new unitary authority, due to take place in May 2022.
- 10/21/6**                    **Public Participation: RESOLVED** that the following issues were raised;
- a) Three representatives spoke on behalf of local residents with regard to their concerns over planning application 21/0783 on land at Blaze Fell, Nord Vue, Armathwaite (item 10/21/7/a). Whilst the application is located outside Hesket Parish itself, and in Lazonby Parish, the impact on Hesket, and in particular Armathwaite residents, would be greatest. Residents requested that Hesket Parish Council support the objections submitted by Lazonby Parish Council. The concerns raised included:
- **Highways:** Increase in traffic at unsuitable junction on the A6, which is also crossed twice daily by a dairy herd. Proposed booking system does not determine visitors’ arrival or departure time from the site as a whole. Local alternative routes not able to sustain volume of traffic
  - **Environmental:** Failure to carry out an environmental impact assessment. In breach of several ENV Policies in Local Plan, including sustainability and light pollution.
  - **Local Plan:** The siting of a major development in open countryside with a loss of amenity land, and concerns that at the plans are not diversification of the current site, but a new, large leisure development with a lack of economic benefit to the local community.
- 10/21/7**                    **Planning applications:** The following responses were agreed to planning applications submitted in the Parish since the last meeting of the Parish Council:
- a) **21/0783** Land at Blaze Fell, Nord Vue, Armathwaite. Change of use of land to accommodate outdoor recreational woodland-luge track, chairlift with ancillary operations building, car-parking and landscaping.
- A motion to support the objections submitted by Lazonby Parish Council, on behalf of the residents of Hesket Parish was voted on as follows:
- For: Councillor Dowes, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Scurrah  
Against: None  
Abstained: Councillor Campbell, Councillor Martin, Councillor Waugh

- RESOLVED** that the motion therefore carried.
- b) **21/0827** Westlands, Southwaite Road, Low Hesket. Erection of single storey side and rear extension and replacement of existing detached garage.  
**RESOLVED** that there were no objections
- c) **21/0823** Land to the north west of Calthwaite, Sceughdykes, Calthwaite. Erection of an agricultural workers dwelling including associated operations.  
**RESOLVED** to object to the application on the grounds of Local Planning Policy, due to the size of the proposal
- d) **21/0872** Land to the rear of Low Street Cottage, Plumpton. Outline application for a dwelling, with all matters reserved  
**RESOLVED** to support the application
- 10/21/8** **Cumbria County Council Report: RESOLVED** that Councillor Wentworth-Waites was not present to give a report.
- 10/21/9** **Eden District Council Report: RESOLVED** that Councillor Ryland gave the following report;  
*With this meeting being brough forward by a month there has been little activity to add to my September report, however at the recent full Council meeting the appointment of the new Chief Executive was ratified by majority with remuneration of a staggering £1,108.96 per day. I can inform you that the two Hesket District Councillors voted against this proposal.*  
*The development of the Devolution of Assets to Parish and Town Councils Working Group have met twice and this long-standing issue looks more favourable now to come to a conclusion early next year.*  
*The One Eden Working Group met last week (previously suspended for the last three months) to be told the new plans have to be submitted for a third time and the costs have escalated to £4 million from £2.3 million. To put this in context the current reserves of Eden are £3.7 million. The status of the Working Group has changed and it is now considered to be a meeting to disseminate information only.*  
*Local Government Reform of the Councils within Cumbria is ongoing. A Government “order of change” is expected in December, elections to the Shadow Authority will be in May next year. I intend to let my name go forward for continuity; I am sorry my fellow Councillor has decided not to. We have a very good working relationship together looking after the residents of Hesket Ward. This of course will continue until the abolition of Eden District Council in 2023.*
- 10/21/10** **Cumbria Police Report: RESOLVED** that the Clerk had received monthly updates, and reported that there had been damaged caused to a lead lined window at a Plumpton, and that a hole had been reported in a window at Low Hesket, believed to be caused by a pellet gun.
- 10/21/11** **Footpaths: RESOLVED** that Councillor Scurrah gave the following update;  
a) No further resident contacts had been received since the last meeting of the Parish Council.  
b) With regard to an obstruction on open access land on Blaze Fell, Cumbria County Council had informed Councillor Scurrah that he would need to speak to Countryside England.
- 10/21/12** **Armathwaite Play Area: RESOLVED** that there were no issues to report at this time. Councillors suggested investigating removal of bracken over winter.
- 10/21/13** **SIDS: RESOLVED** that Councillors agreed that the proposed location for the device in Armathwaite and Plumpton were not suitable, and requested that the Clerk go back to Cumbria Highways and request adjustments. Further **RESOLVED** that a formal request for a location in High Hesket be submitted.
- 10/21/14** **Grant request: RESOLVED** that the following grant requests were agreed;  
a) Fellrunner Bus Service - £204.40;  
b) Great North Air Ambulance - £250.
- 10/21/15** **Planning decision notices: RESOLVED** that the Council were informed of the following planning decisions made since the last Council meeting;  
a) **21/0657** Rose Cottage, High Hesket, Carlisle, CA4 0JL. Listed building consent for the installation of air source heat pump unit. **GRANTED**  
b) **21/0622** Dukes Head Inn, Armathwaite, Carlisle, CA4 9PB. Retrospective siting of cabin and decking for outdoor service area. **GRANTED**

- 10/21/16**      **Financial Matters:** The following was agreed:
- a) **RESOLVED** to pay the accounts as detailed in the attached payment schedule, via Direct Banking Payment.
  - b) **RESOLVED** to freeze the Precept for 2022/2023 at £15,000.
- 10/21/17**      **Correspondence: RESOLVED** that correspondence as received was acknowledged.
- a) **RESOLVED** that Councillors agreed to support the replacing of a milestone in the Parish.
- 10/21/18**      **Parish Maintenance;**
- a) **General maintenance - RESOLVED** that the following issues were raised;
    - That improvements at Southwaite Bridge appeared to have resolved issues.
    - To move forward with ordering the bench for Armathwaite, to include the village name.
- 10/21/19**      **Council matters: RESOLVED** that the following matters were raised:
- a) Ongoing concerns with the development at Gillians Well. District Councillor David Ryland has raised the issues with Eden District Council.
  - b) Councillor Scurrah informed Councillors that there is an ongoing public consultation on the development of the A66.
  - c) Councillor Gibson reported that the sign to Ling from the A6 had still not been replaced.
  - d) With regard to potential planning violations at The Park, Southwaite, Eden District Council are currently seeking to establish the owner of the site, in order to make formal contact.
- 10/21/20**      **Date of the next meeting – Tuesday January 11<sup>th</sup> 2022 at 7.30pm at Low Hesket Village Hall.**

**Meeting closed at 9.29pm**

# Hesket Parish Council

## Financial Officer's Report October 2021

### **Bank Balances**

*Balances at 19th October 2021:*

Current Account	£25,042.56
Main Reserves	£7,812.94
Footway Lighting Reserves	£6,036.77
<b>Total</b>	<b>£38,892.27</b>

### **Receipts**

*Monies received at 19th October 2021:*

Interest	£0.11
<b>Total</b>	<b>£0.11</b>

### **Cash Book Balance**

Cash Book Balance at 19th October 2021	<b>£35,576.72</b>
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### **Payment Schedule**

The following accounts were presented for payment

VN	Chq No.	Payee	Budget Heading	Amount
21-22/21	SO	L Beken	Staffing	£261.04
21-22/22	DD	Cumbria Payroll Service	Staffing	£14.40
21-22/23	DP	Solway Recycling	Asset purchase	£418.80
21-22/24	DP	CALC	Training	£5.00
21-22/25	DP	L Beken	Clerk expenses	£61.48
21-22/26	SP	L Beken	Administration	£12.50
21-22/27	DP	Fellrunner Bus Service	Section 137	£204.40
21-22/28	DP	Great North Air Ambulance	Section 137	£250.00
<b>Total</b>				<b>£1,227.62</b>

### **Balance Transfers**

Non-required	
<b>Total</b>	<b>£0.00</b>

### **Projected Cashbook Balance**

Estimated Cashbook Balance at 19th October 2021	<b>£34,349.10</b>
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<b>Approved - Minute Number</b>	10/21/16
<b>Payments made by online transfer</b>	
<b>Date</b>	25/10/21