

KIRKOSWALD PARISH COUNCIL

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An Ordinary Meeting of Kirkoswald Parish Council held at 7.30pm on Tuesday 8th December, 2015 in Renwick Reading Room.

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 Pickthall, Mr A Jackson, Mr R Blenkarn, Mrs I Henderson, Mr J Little, Mr J Haugh, Mr N Jackson, Mr R Cranston, Mr J R Raine, Mr R W Raine, County & District Robinson & Mrs R Lytollis (Clerk)

MINUTES

1. **To receive any declarations of interest**- Mr J R Raine & Mr R W Raine (Planning application)
2. **To receive apologies**- Mr B Smythe (Broadband Representative)
3. **Minutes:** It was resolved to authorise the Chair to sign the minutes of the ordinary meeting held on Tuesday 10th November, 2015 as a true record (proposed by Mr R Pickthall, seconded by Mr J Haugh, unanimous vote).
4. **To discuss any matters arising from minutes of previous meetings**- Nothing
5. **To receive an update on high speed broadband in the county**- Nothing new to report.
6. **To discuss the proposed closure of Lazonby Fire Station**
County & District Cllr Robinson reported that Lazonby Fire crew had addressed the Local Committee. Parishioners are reminded that it is really important that they complete the consultation feedback form on the Cumbria County Council website. Councillors agreed that hopefully the decision will be reconsidered after the events of the weekend. The figures given are very misleading as they were from when the crew was only partial. Clarification of the figures is needed. It was agreed that the Clerk send a letter on behalf of the parish council.
7. **To discuss signposts in the Parish**- Councillors reviewed the two application forms and after discussion it was resolved to submit them and await a decision (proposed by Mrs J Tea, seconded by Mr J Little, unanimous vote).
8. **To discuss footway lights**- Mrs S Quinn reported that she had sent a letter to Chris Slater requesting that the light be maintained. Unfortunately however it was turned down. Councillors thanked Mrs S Quinn for trying. Cllr Robinson reported that Ainstable Parish Council are precepting to pay for four lights in the parish. Councillors agreed that it is difficult to discuss the impact of the lights being removed when they are still in. It was agreed to contact Chris Slater to ascertain the price of a light and confirm maintenance costs.

9. **To discuss the painting of benches and railings**- Mr N Jackson said that there was nothing to report at present and the work will be done when the weather improves.

10. **To receive any updates on the Community Led Plan and councillor led areas**

Footpath towards Eden Bridge- Cllr Robinson explained that currently the footpath toward Eden Bridge is sitting just below the cut off line as a capital project which would be funded at county level (prior to the weekend). It was agreed to try to move it forward. It was noted that the parish council plans to raise funds but can't do so until permission is confirmed by the landowner and the drainage work needs to go ahead before he will give consent.

11. **To receive a report from County & District Cllr Robinson**

Cllr Robinson said that obviously attention is currently on the impact of the floods and read an email to update them on the recovery work.

Councillors were relieved that there had been no flooding within the parish as far as they knew. Eden Bridge has now reopened and fortunately it has minimal damage. Travel information is passed to Radio Cumbria for their regular updates.

12. **To consider any Police issues arising**- A truck was stolen in the parish but recovered very quickly. Parishioners are reminded to report suspicious vehicles to the Police, ideally with the registration details if possible.

13. **To discuss issues relating to Cumbria in Bloom & Britain in Bloom**- Nothing new to report. The village has again been invited to enter Britain In Bloom and Cumbria In Bloom. Mrs S Quinn explained that she didn't want to take on the Britain In Bloom entry next year and unfortunately there weren't any volunteers. It was agreed to enter Cumbria In Bloom as it was more straightforward. It was noted that everyone was disappointed by the amount of coverage given to the entries and success by the local press as there was nothing in the Cumberland News and very little in the Herald. Councillors expressed their thanks to Mrs S Quinn and all those involved in the entries.

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

- Mr J R Raine said that he felt that Highways Dept. have too much to do following the floods to bother them with the usual problems. It was noted that some parishioners had kindly let flood water off some of the road by digging a channel to roadside ditches. It was agreed to bring up ongoing issues like potholes again in March.
- It was resolved to position the five new grit bins at Demense Corner, Roods Drive, Fog Close Cottages, High Bankhill (under the street light) and Parkhead (proposed by Mr J R Raine, seconded by Mr J Little, unanimous vote).
- Gritting of different routes- it was agreed to push harder for better coverage early next year.
- It was noted that Ousby village got a grant for a snowplough and it was agreed to speak to others to get advice on how practical it is to have one.

15. **To receive the Financial Report**

- The Clerk ensured that all councillors had received a copy of the monthly cash flow spread sheet. Mrs J Tea checked the bank statements to this.

- To make payments of bills

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

Clerk's Salary & Expenses	£266.46	(Chq No: 100918)
Kirkoswald Church Institute	£116.00	(Chq No: 100919)

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It was resolved to pay the Clerk her salary for December on 1st January, 2016 (as there is no January meeting- proposed by Mr A Jackson, seconded by Mr J Haugh, unanimous vote):

Clerk's Salary £248.30 (Chq No: 100921)

- To sign grant application forms- Councillors reviewed the grant application forms for the signpost project and resolved to submit them.
- Grant application- The Chair reported that the After School Club had delivered an application in time for the November meeting, but unfortunately she had been away at the time, so it was presented to councillors with the other applications. Councillors discussed the application and resolved to support it (proposed by Mr N Jackson, seconded by Mr A Jackson, one against).
- Footway lights- Councillors agreed that they did not wish to reconsider the precept but would look at potential costings in case they might want to purchase one in the future. Councillors agreed to let them go out first and then prioritise purchases.

16. To consider any planning applications made and related matters

15/1076 Mr R Raines, Outhwaite Farm, Renwick, Penrith CA10 1JT- Erection of cattle shelter building- Councillors reviewed the plans and resolved that they had no objections (proposed by Mrs J Tea, seconded by Mr J Little, unanimous vote).

17. To receive decisions on planning applications made

15/0721 Mrs M Moses, Harbutlaw, Renwick, Penrith CA10 1JL	Granted
15/0766 Mrs J Milburn, Pond View, Buskrigg, Renwick, Penrith CA10 1LA	Refused
15/0855 Mr J Farish, Land at Springfield, Kirkoswald, Penrith CA10 1EX	Granted

18. To consider correspondence received

- Eden District Council's Council Plan 2015-2019
- Staffield Estate, Staffield, Penrith- Staffield Woodland Management Plan- It was agreed that the Clerk thank them for their consideration and if we have any comments we will come back to them.
- Dog fouling notices. It was agreed to check the legislation regarding dog fouling.

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

- Agree details of tender specifications- parish field and weed spraying
- Signpost grant applications
- Drainage work

20. Date of the next meeting- 7.30 pm on Tuesday 9th February in Kirkoswald Church Institute

Signed: *R. E. Lytollis*

Clerk to Kirkoswald Parish Council

Date: 08/12/2015

The meeting closed at 20.40