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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 17 June 2010 at 7.30 pm in the Memorial Hall, Burton-in-Kendal

PRESENT. Cllrs F Mason-Hornby, (Chairman), R Boddy, J Brown, G Isherwood, M Taylor, P Rogers, A Wren, Dist Cllr R Bingham, and Parish Clerk P Smith.

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE. Three members of the public were present.

- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies from Clirs J Hopwood and I Hunt were accepted. Apologies from Dist Clir B Cooper were received.
- 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST. None.
- 3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 20 MAY 2010. The minutes of the meeting held on 20 May 2010 were unanimously agreed and signed by the Chairman. After the minutes were signed it was noted that Dist Cllr R Bingham should have been shown as present at the meeting.

4. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS.

(ACTION)

- a. The Annual General Meeting of the Lancaster Canal Trust will take place on Thursday 24 June 2010 at 8:00pm in Over Kellet Village Hall. It was agreed that it was not necessary to attend, the papers would be circulated.
- b. The SLDC Standards Committee has asked that Councillors complete their annual confirmation of financial and other interests. Appropriate forms were circulated. (All)

5. OPEN FORUM.

- a. A report from Fire Station Manager Callum Graham was received. He reported that the Fire and Rescue Service had attended two incidents in the past month. One was a minor problem at Burton Services the other was a fire in a private garage off Main St in which welding had been taking place. Station Manager Graham emphasized the scale of emergency which could have developed had this incident involved acetylene welding equipment.
- b. PCSO Rachel Thomas had sent a report but had to give her apologies. She reported that lead had been stolen from the school roof. It was believed that lead had also been taken from the Memorial Hall roof. The police had no leads.
- c. A member of the public expressed her very grave concern that it had been decided to route Westmorland Show Traffic through the village from the M6. She noted that the show was held on a school day and that the traffic would be at its peak during the school arrival time. This would add to the serious congestion around the school and would inevitably increase the risk of an accident. She also noted that through the narrowest part of Main St there was not enough room for vehicles to pass safely and that several drivers drove on the pavement regardless of pedestrians and the law. She asked to whom she should write to seek to reverse this decision. She was advised to write to Police Sergeant Sizer.

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

- Applications granted or refused: None.
- **b.** Applications withdrawn:

SL/2010/0054 – Croft House Barn, The Square. Extension of time condition on planning permission for conversion to dwelling. Noted.

c. Applications received:

SL/2010/0386 – Land to the South of Burtlands Farm, Moss Lane. Erection of warehouse, formation of vehicle access, parking and septic tank. It was agreed to offer no objection to this proposal. However, it was decided to add to Council's reply to the application the request that the priority at the junction of Station Lane and Moss Lane be changed to give priority to traffic coming along Moss Lane from the A6 on to Station Lane towards Burton village centre. It was also agreed to ask that measures to prevent the flooding of Moss Lane adjacent to the site be taken as part of the highways work. (PS)

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7. **FINANCE.** The Council received and noted the Income and Expenditure Account and balances at the bank as at 17 June 2010:

| Income to date | £13781.00 | Bank of Ireland | £20.09 |
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| Expenditure to date | £3410.79 | NatWest Current | £6484.35 |
| Difference | £10370.21 | NatWest Savings | £11515.62 |
| Bank Balance at 1/04/10 £6462.24 | | Less cheques etc | -£1187.61 |
| Carried forward | £16832.45 | Carried forward | £16832.45 |

8. ACCOUNTS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT AND CHEQUES SIGNED.

(PS)

| a. | Lengthsman's contract and expenses to 31 March 2010. | £302.92 |
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| b. | Clerk's salary 1 June to 30 June 2010. | £200.26 |
| C. | Quarterly PAYE on Clerk's salary. | £150.18 |

9. BUDGETS WORKING PARTY. It was agreed that a Budget Working Party would be formed comprising Clirs Mason-Hornby, Boddy and Rogers and the Parish Clerk. (FM-H,RB,PR,PS)

10. RENEWAL OF QUALITY PARISH COUNCIL STATUS. Following a debate it was agreed by a vote of four in favour, one against and two abstentions, that the Council would seek renewal of its Quality Parish Council Status.

11. TO AGREE A PREFERRED POLICY FOR SPEED LIMITS THROUGH THE VILLAGE.

- a. It was agreed that the Parish Council wished the 30mph limit to be maintained through Clawthorpe. A 40mph lead in to the 30mph limit would be supported provided the 30 mph limit came into force before the entrance to Clawthorpe Hall and the overall effect was to slow traffic down through Clawthorpe.
 - b. It was agreed to request that the County Council change the flashing school warning signs to illuminated signs indicating 20mph during the school arrival and departure times. Dist Cllr Bingham volunteered to speak to the County Highways Department about funding this request. (PS)
- 12. TO DETERMINE IF THE COUNTY COUNCIL SHOULD BE ASKED TO AVOID ANY PARTICULAR DATES IN AUGUST WHEN PLANNING THE RESURFACING OF MAIN ST. It was agreed that the County Council should be informed of dates of large special events booked in the Memorial Hall during August. However, it was acknowledged that it may not be possible for these dates to be avoided. (PS)
- 13. TO DECIDE IF THE COUNCIL WISHED TO COMMENT ON THE REVIEW OF SLDC LEADERSHIP ARRANGEMENTS. It was agreed that the Parish Council would express no collective view on the consultation to decide if South Lakeland should have an elected mayor or maintain its current Leader and Cabinet arrangement. (PS)
- 14. COUNCILLORS REPORT ON PARISH PLAN ITEMS AND ADD NEW ITEMS TO THE PLAN. The status of current items was reported:

a. Design Statement: SLDC will be asked to expedite feedback from Conservation Officer.
b. Road Safety Improvements: Speed limit policy agreed as Item 11 above.
c. Signage: Nothing new to report.
d. Upgrade Playground: Approval given to purchase one sign at a cost of £78.
e. Contingency Plan: Working Group has met and agreed first draft of emergency plan.
f. Facilities for Young People: Youth leaders in village to be consulted.
(JH)
 (FM-H)
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 (PR)
 (AW)

15. LENGTHSMAN'S LOG OF PLAYGROUND INSPECTION AND REPORTS FROM PARISH AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS.

- a. The lengthsman's playground log was noted. No problems had been reported.
- b. Cllr Isherwood had attended the School Governors meeting where the successful performance of the school had been reported. He also noted that the school intended to erect a canvas shade. Cllr Isherwood was thanked by the Council for painting the Information Shelter at Clawthorpe.
- c. Clir Wren emphasised the problems for pedestrians on the main road between Clawthorpe and the village centre. He suggested that it might be possible to extend the footpath north from Church Bank. It was agreed that Clirs would meet at 7:00pm outside the Church on Thursday 15 July in order to walk this section of the road. It was agreed to include the footpath to Clawthorpe and to Heronsyke on the Agenda of the next meeting. (All)
- d. Cllr Rogers Repairs and improvements carried out by the Lengthsman and the Highways Steward.
- e. Clir Brown reported that no members of the public had taken advantage of the availability of the duty councillor at 7:00pm

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- f. Clir Boddy reported that the Keer Bridge recycling facility had been reprieved. He also reported that strips of Clawthorpe Lane had been missed when the lane had been top-dressed.
- g. Cllr Boddy also reported his intention to seek funding for Diamond Jubilee mugs for the children of the village.
- Dist Cilr Bingham reported that Queen Elizabeth School was considering academy status.
- **16. TO NOTE COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED.** The communications listed below were noted. No additional actions were ordered.
- 17. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING.** The next meeting will take place on Thursday 15 July 2010 at 7:30pm in the Memorial Hall.

The Meeting Closed at 9:07pm

SCHEDULE OF COMMUNICATIONS TO 12 JUNE 2010 Significant communications not otherwise on the Agenda

1. By e-mail forwarded to Councillors:

- a. CALC District Association Meeting 10 Jun 10.
- b. Participatory Budgets Briefing 8 Jun 10.
- c. Managing Green Spaces 7 Jun 10.
- d. Action with Communities in Cumbria Newsletter 3 Jun 10.
- e. Rural Services Network News 2 Jun 10.
- f. Weekly Rural Focus 1 Jun 10.
- g. CALC Monthly Newsletter 1 Jun 10.
- h. Morecambe Bay Partnership seminar on 30 Jun + 1 Jun 10.
- i. NALC Events Bulletin 28 May 10.
- j. Road Resurfacing plans in South Lakes area 28 May 10.
- k. Cumbria Youth support Services Newsletter 28 May 10.
- i. Callum Graham comments on road safety 24 May 10.

2. In circulation folder:

a. SLDC Standards Committee Annual Report on Ethical Standards.

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- b. Bradford Festival Lighting Brochure.
- c. Sovereign Playground Equipment Brochure.
- d. CVS Summer Newsletter.

GLOSSARY OF ABBREVIATIONS

| ACI | Action with Communities in Cumbria (formerly VAC) |
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| ALSF | Aggregates Levy Sustainability Fund |
| CALC | Cumbria Association of Local Councils |
| CCC | Cumbria County Council |
| CIEP | Cumbria Improvement and Efficiency Partnership |
| CILCA | Certificate in Local Council Administration |
| CRHT | Cumbria Rural Housing Trust |
| CVS | Cumbria Voluntary Service |
| CYSS | Cumbria Youth Support Service |
| LAP | Local area Partnership |
| LDF | Local Development Framework |
| NALC | National Association of Local Councils |
| NWDA | North West Development Agency |
| NWRA | North West Regional Assembly |
| PCM | Parish Council Meeting |
| ROWIP | Rights of Way Improvement Plan |
| SLDC | South Lakeland District Council |

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