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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 16 April 2009 at
7.30 pm in the Memorial Hall, Burton-in-Kendal

PRESENT: Cllrs. R.Boddy (Vice Chairman), J.Hopwood, I.Hunt, G.Isherwood, P.Rogers, A.Wren,
District Cllr.R.Bingham, District Cllr. B.Cooper, C.Dale (Clerk).

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE: Four members of the public.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllrs. J.Brown, F.Mason-Hornby
The vice chairman Cllr.Boddy then took the Chair.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: Cllr.Hopwood declared a personal interest in Item 10 below and Cllr.Boddy
declared a prejudicial interest in Item 14 below.

3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 19 MARCH: Having been previously circulated, the minutes were
confirmed as correct. The Chairman then signed and dated the minutes.

4. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:

(Action)

- A letter of resignation from R.Lawson was read out. Cllrs. asked the Clerk to write to him expressing their
thanks for his contribution towards the Parish whilst on the Parish Council and that they will miss him **(CD)**

5. OPEN FORUM – A parishioner requested that the formal SLDC notice of a parish councillor vacancy be more
widely distributed than on the Parish Notice Board. Cllrs.unanimously agreed the Clerk take these to the local
business parks, shops and pub **(CD)**

It was noted that there was no police presence at the meeting and that no police report was forthcoming this
month. Cllr.Rogers regretted this as a parishioner had reported to him that he suspected drug dealing activities
taking place after dark behind the tennis courts. Cllrs.pointed out such things should be reported immediately
directly to the police by members of the public. The Clerk was then asked to report this to the police **(CD)**

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- Planning applications granted:
None
- Planning applications refused:
None
- Planning applications received:
None

7. FINANCE

Balances at the bank at 31 March 2009:

BOI Treasurers Account	£8,772.55
Income to date	17,795.41
Expenditure to date	17,856.94

8. ACCOUNTS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT AND CHEQUES SIGNED

Lengthsman remuneration to 15.04.09 (2 weeks @ £77 + 1 @ £80.85)	£234.85
Clerk's salary and expenses	335.74
PB Fencing – topsoil, turf & safety matting for Playing Ground.	1,339.75
North West Air Ambulance – donation	50.00

(The Clerk explained that the amount of £1,339.75 authorised above will be accrued as expenditure in the
2008/09 Annual Accounts currently being prepared)

9. RESOLVE THAT NATIONAL WESTMINSTER BANK BE REQUESTED TO ACT AS COUNCIL'S BANKERS

This was proposed by Cllr.Rogers in order to spread financial risk of loss of deposits over two banks instead of
one and was seconded by Cllr.Hopwood. This was unanimously agreed and that the completed mandate and
application forms be duly signed for return to the bank by the Clerk **(CD)**

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10. DECIDE WHETHER TO TAKE PART IN THE CRHT SURVEY FOR BURTON-IN-KENDAL

(Action)

(See also Item 2 above)

The Chairman reminded the meeting of the presentation by CRHT at the Annual Parish Meeting last month and their request for a response and the papers circulated after that meeting for consideration. Cllr. Isherwood proposed that the Parish Council does not take part in the Survey. This was seconded by Cllr. Wren. Cllrs. voted four to one against not to take part in the Survey

11. CONSIDER QUOTE FOR LAMP REPAIRS IN THE SQUARE

The Clerk reported that Black Sheep Iron Works Ltd of Holme Mills had quoted £100 for the work (subject to finding any further problems when removed). It was unanimously agreed this be accepted.

(CD)

12. DISCUSS PROVISION OF A DEDICATED DOG WASTE BIN FOR THE VILLAGE

Cllrs. unanimously agreed to wait until SLDC responded to the Clerk's request for a quote of costs involved

(CD)

13. DISCUSS CCC PARISH PATHS INITIATIVE

After some discussion of the papers that were circulated last month it was decided the Clerk should obtain more information from CCC on the possibility of funding improvements to Slake Lane & wooden footpath signs

(CD)

14. CONSIDER SLDC's LATEST LAND DEVELOPMENT PLANS

(See also Item 2 above)

Cllr. Boddy reported on land owned by him that now appears on the latest map produced by SLDC.

15. DISCUSS TOPICALITY OF WEBSITE

An email from A. Nichols who updates the website was discussed by the Council and it was agreed the details of her offer to continue doing this free of charge be discussed by the Website Working Party consisting of Cllr. Mason-Hornby, A. Nichols & the Clerk

(FM-H/CD)

16. CLLRS. PROGRESS REPORTS ON 2009 UPDATE OF PARISH PLAN

Allotments: Progress last month – None. Cllr. Boddy suggested the Allotment Committee tour the village & Dist. Cllr. Cooper suggested a meeting with them at the Smithy in Holme

(RB)

Bus Shelter: Progress last month – None. Awaiting confirmation of funding from CCC

(JH/GI)

Design statement: Progress last month – None

(JH/FM-H)

Dropped kerbs: Walk round village planned with wheelchair user. Dist. Cllr. Bingham reported receiving 2 requests for dropped kerbs & is looking into funding issues

(IH/RB)

Footways A6070: Cllrs. Rogers & Hunt reported back on meeting with J. Bell (CCC) & are awaiting a report from him

(FM-H)

Improve Slake Lane: Progress last month – None. See Item 13 above

(JH)

Path - school to tennis courts: Progress last month – None

(GI/IH)

Post boxes & Red telephone box: Progress last month – None.

(GI/IH)

Road safety improvements: See 'Footways' above

(FM-H)

Signage: Progress last month – None. See Item 13 above

(PR)

Upgrade Playing Ground: The Clerk reported a quote from SLDC for the Suspension Bridge of £210 that included levelling the bridge. It was decided this should be discussed next month when playground requirements were clearer

(AW/CD)

17. RECEIVE REPORTS FROM PARISH & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS:

- Cllr. Wren reported that the Playing Ground Committee, after considering equipment quotes from Playdale, were seeking alternatives
- Cllr. Hopwood reported the Quarry Liaison Committee were informed of a new wheel wash now in use. Also that Burton Recreation Trust had a visit from Flookburgh representatives last month to see how such facilities were set up and run. They were duly impressed. She also reported live cockerels being dumped at Plain Quarry
- Cllr. Rogers reported Storth Machinery appear to have acquired the Station Inn, Burtlands Farm and the field in between. He also delivered the Lengthsman's weekly log of activities on the Playing Ground to the Clerk and reported that applying non slip surfaces to the equipment was ongoing.

18. COMMUNICATIONS – See Schedule below.

16. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is the **Annual Parish Council meeting** that will take place on **Thursday 21 May 2009 at 7.00pm** in the Memorial Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.00

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SCHEDULE OF COMMUNICATIONS TO 16 APRIL 2009

Website

Hot Topic:

Feedback:

Other Communications

- Resignation from the Parish Council received from Richard Lawson
- Request to SLDC for costs of dedicated dog bin & associated collection
- Request to SLDC for quote to replace chains on Playing Ground suspension bridge
- Questionnaire completed & returned to S.Lakeland Strategic Partnership regarding local boundary issues
- Map updated & returned to SLDC regarding data for Local Development Framework
- Letter to CCC confirming request for a grant towards bus shelter on the northbound side of A6070
- Bus timetables received from CCC with effect from 5.4.09
- Letters 1 & 2 from SLDC regarding Allocations of Land Development Document – Next Steps

or Circulation

- CALC Circular April 2009 (Email forwarded to all Cllrs.6.4.09)
- Weekly Rural Focus Digest (Email forwarded to all Cllrs.25.3.09, 3.4.09, 7.4.09, 14.4.09)
- Email from parishioner re activity on Station Lane halted by Planning Officer (forwarded to all Cllrs.3.4.09)
- Request from Rural Advocate for feedback from upland communities (Email forwarded to all Cllrs.3.4.09)
- Notification of next meeting on 18.6.09 from S.Lakeland District Ass. (Email forwarded to all Cllrs.3.4.09)
- CYSS Newsletter March 2009 (Email forwarded to all Cllrs.3.4.09,)
- Community Land Trusts information from CRHT (Email forwarded to all Cllrs.30.3.09)
- 'Conservation Areas at Risk' news release from English Heritage (Email forwarded to all Cllrs.20.3.09)
- Cumbria & Lakes Rider Passenger Transport Guide from CCC
- Kent Estuary Neighbourhood Forum summary of meeting held 10.3.09
- Website address for CCC Parish Paths Initiative on CALC Website (Email forwarded to all Cllrs.6.4.09)
- Information from SLDC regarding their Allocations of Land Development Plan Document (Email forwarded to all Cllrs.6.4.09)
- NWDA Regional Newsletter April 2009 (Email forwarded to all Cllrs.6.4.09)
- Cumbria Highways 'Working Together' Spring 2009
- Northwest Regional Strategy Update (Email forwarded to all Cllrs.15.4.09)
- Invitation from Rural Housing to workshop (Email forwarded to all Cllrs.16.4.09)
- Suggestions to improve website delivery from A.Nichols (Email forwarded to all Cllrs.16.4.09)
- Queensbury Shelters information leaflet

Glossary of Abbreviations:

ACT	Action with Communities in Cumbria (formerly VAC)
ALSF	Aggregates Levy Sustainability Fund
CALC	Cumbria Association of Local Councils
CCC	Cumbria County Council
CRHT	Cumbria Rural Housing Trust
CVS	Cumbria Voluntary Service
CYSS	Cumbria Youth Support Service
DEFRA	Dept for Environment Food & Rural Affairs
LDF	Local Development Framework
NPS	Norfolk Property Services
NALC	National Association of Local Councils
NWDA	North West Development Agency
NWRA	North West Regional Assembly
NWPPR	North West Plan Partial Review
PCM	Parish Council Meeting
SLDC	South Lakeland District Council
SLCC	Society of Local Council Clerks

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