

Gosforth Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 9th October 2019 at 7p.m. in Gosforth Library

PRESENT

Mark Fussell (MF) – Chairman

Councillors

David Gray (DG)

Rachel Rowe (RR)

Tyson Norman (TN)

Graham Hutson (GH)

Others present: Andy Pratt (AP), Copeland Borough Council and Jacqueline Williams, Clerk

161/19	<p>Apologies for Absence RESOLVED that apologies from Councillors Turner and Davies be received and the reasons noted.</p>	
162/19	<p>Declarations of Interest - None declared.</p>	
163/19	<p>Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 11th September 2019 RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 11th September 2019, pages 48 to 51, be accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.</p>	
164/19	<p>Progress Reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Playground & Playing Field The Clerk reminded Councillors of the complaint received from a resident regarding gaps in the fence surrounding the playing field and the gate being left open. RESOLVED that the Clerk write to Jacksons regarding the gate and contact Anthony Millard to discuss possible solutions to the fencing. RESOLVED to note that Cllr. Rowe will collect the Playground checklist documents and carry out the monthly check. ➤ Flagpole The quotation for the supply and installation of the new flagpole was discussed and Councillors agreed that the Parish Council would pay for the installation. RESOLVED that the Clerk accept the quotation. ➤ War Memorial RESOLVED that Cllr. Norman obtain a quotation for repairs from another company. ➤ Telephone Box The Clerk had responded to the consultation stating that the Parish Council will 'adopt' the telephone box and an acknowledgement has been received. Copeland Borough Council are collating the responses which will be forwarded to BT. ➤ Street Lighting RESOLVED that Cllr. Gray check the street lighting between Wellington and Ellerslie Park and make an online report. ➤ VE Day Cllr. Rowe reported that a meeting will take place on 17th October at 7pm at St. Mary's. There is interest from many groups including the Rotary, Young Farmers, 	<p>Clerk</p> <p>RR</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>TN</p> <p>DG</p>

	Bradbury House, WI and the school. A fund-raising Coffee Morning is planned for 9 th November 10am – 12noon. Cllr. Pratt agreed to check on the Marquee availability.	RR/AP												
165/19	Public Participation No public were present.													
166/19	County Councillor and District Councillors' Reports Cllr. Pratt reported that there will be no Sunday rail service from 20 th October to 1 st December due to maintenance and repairs. Cllr. Turner will be taking up the matter of flooding at New Mill with CCC. Cllr. Pratt requested that an update of the Flood Team meetings be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.	PT Clerk												
167/19	Planning Applications Applications RESOLVED that the Planning Authority be advised of the Council's observations on the applications listed below: <table border="1" data-bbox="323 797 1369 981"> <thead> <tr> <th>Application No.</th> <th>Location</th> <th>Proposal</th> <th>Comment</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>CH/4/19/2288/0F1</td> <td>Middle Ling Bank</td> <td>Extension</td> <td>Oversized for application</td> </tr> <tr> <td>CH/4/19/2341/0O1</td> <td>High Hill Farm</td> <td>Agri-workers dwelling</td> <td>Condition - tied to farm</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Application No.	Location	Proposal	Comment	CH/4/19/2288/0F1	Middle Ling Bank	Extension	Oversized for application	CH/4/19/2341/0O1	High Hill Farm	Agri-workers dwelling	Condition - tied to farm	Clerk
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168/19	Other Planning Matters Street Naming and Numbering – Development Behind Westlakes Hotel. RESOLVED that the Planning Authority be advised that there are no objections to the name 'The Loudons' and that the Parish Council recommend a logical numbering system be applied. Financial Reports RESOLVED that the Bank Reconciliation to 30 th September 2019 be received, noted and signed by the Chairman. The Clerk reported on some additions and alterations to the schedule of payments. RESOLVED that the schedule of payments be approved and signed by two bank signatories.	Clerk												
169/19	Schedule of Correspondence, notices and publications (previously circulated) RESOLVED that all items listed on the schedule be noted.													
170/19	Car Park Maintenance & Asset Transfer The Clerk reported that no response has been received to her email requesting car parking orders. RESOLVED that Cllr. Pratt request an update from Barbara Vernon. Cllr. Gray reported that Anthony Millard is intending to put notices on all cars illegally parked on the playing field car park and the gate will be closed and locked.	AP												

	<p>Cllr. Gray reported that there were Sycamore saplings growing out from the base of the wall behind the toilets and the other trees surrounding the car park were becoming very large. Cllr. Norman suggested that the trees be removed completely. Cllr. Gray was concerned about the cost. Cllr. Norman felt there were contractors who would do it for the firewood.</p> <p>Cllr. Gray reported that the retaining wall opposite the bakery needed attention. RESOLVED that the Clerk contact Alan Clements (CBC) regarding the wall and the trees.</p> <p>Cllr. Rowe reported parking problems continue and the bakery were losing business. Cllr. Norman raised concerns about the motorhome that has remained on the car park for some time.</p> <p>Cllr. Hutson commented that the recent traffic lights combined with cars parked on the roadside had caused traffic problems.</p> <p>Cllr. Gray reported that the notice boards are being repainted and one is being replaced.</p> <p>Cllr. Rowe offered to obtain quotations for the replacement of the rear door of the toilet block.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>DG</p> <p>RR</p>
<p>171/19</p>	<p>Recycling Facilities</p> <p>Cllr. Pratt reported that the rolltop recycling bins will be removed in November. Copeland Borough Council has recycling cages available if the PC want them. They are unable to service these on the car park and need to be in an alternative location such as the playing field previously discussed. Cllrs. agreed that Anthony Millard should be consulted.</p> <p>RESOLVED that Cllr. Pratt request dates for a site meeting and that the Clerk write to Anthony Millard and place a notice on the website regarding the removal of the bins.</p>	<p>AP/ Clerk</p>
<p>172/19</p>	<p>Community Land</p> <p>A discussion took place about the merits of registering open spaces as community land. The Clerk reminded Councillors that witness statements are required to accompany any application. It was noted with appreciation that Chris Walton has offered to continue to produce maps from the OS website.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the Clerk progress the first application which can be used as a template for further applications.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
<p>173/19</p>	<p>Community-led Plan</p> <p>Cllr. Norman described the process of producing a community-led plan which would start with the Parish Council facilitating a public meeting.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the Clerk invite a representation of ACT (Action for Cumbria) to the next meeting.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
<p>174/19</p>	<p>Meetings</p> <p>Cllr. Norman attended a Parish Forum meeting at Sellafield and reported on various topics including plans for a concrete batching plant, test laboratory and a personnel lift for the training centre. The demolition of one of the Calder Hall turbines is getting closer and the Transport and Movement policy is being updated following a 'travel to work' survey.</p> <p>Cllrs. Fussell and Pratt attended a West Cumbria Stakeholders meeting. There was a presentation by the NDA and an interactive display on the GDF which produced some heated discussion and rounded questions.</p>	

	<p>Cllr. Fussell reported on a Community Speedwatch session organised by Cllr. Turner and the Police. One speedgun could be purchased and shared amongst Parish Councils who could work together. Each location needs to be risk-assessed. Cameras are being installed in Holmrook and on Cold Fell.</p> <p>175/19 Councillor Administration Chris Walton has resigned and all Cllrs. expressed their appreciation for the work he has carried out on behalf of the Parish Council. RESOLVED that the Clerk write a letter of thanks to Chris Walton and that the vacancy be advertised and Electoral Services informed.</p> <p>176/19 Councillor Matters Cllr. Norman reminded the Clerk that a date should be set for a Finance Committee meeting. Cllr. Hutson has received a request from Anthony Millard that Copeland empty a refuse bin on the playing field. Cllr. Pratt offered to request this from CBC. Cllr. Hutson reported that Haverigg Prison are looking for volunteers for their Independent Monitoring Board (Prison Visitors).</p> <p>Items in Camera - None</p> <p>Date of the next meeting The date of the next schedule meeting is confirmed as Wednesday 13th November at 7pm.</p> <p>Meeting closed at 9.20pm</p> <p>Chairman.....Date.....</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>AP</p>
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