

## HETHERSGILL PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of a Meeting held on 20th November 2018 in the Parish Hall, Hethersgill at 7.30pm

**Present** Cllrs H Kay (Chairman), S Barrett (entered 7.49pm), N Elliott, A Gash, G Houston, F Heaton, A Oswin, A Sisson and C Williams.

**ACTION**

**862/18 Apologies for Absence**

No apologies were received.

**863/18 Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 18th September 2018**

**Resolved** that the Chairman be authorised to sign the minutes of the last Parish Council meeting as a true record.

**864/18 Request for Dispensations**

No requests were received. All Cllrs had previously had requests for consideration of the precept granted.

**865/18 Declarations of Interest**

No declarations of interest were made.

**866/18 Public Participation**

No members of the public were present.

**867/18 Administrative Matters**

**867.1 Broadband**

Cllr Oswin noted that a cabinet is being wired up near The Square with connection expected in a few weeks. Cllr Sisson reported problems with the phone lines/broadband in her area, with the prevalence of Open Reach vans in the vicinity noted. Cllr Houston informed members that a scheme does exist where someone can provide their own line to a cabinet for connection if land owners consent can be obtained.

**867.2 Kirklington Hall**

A complaint regarding the noise levels during events at the above had been received following the last meeting. Dialogue was being exchanged with the planning officers to confirm that the necessary consents were in place and it was understood that an initial meeting with the owners would be taking place. Cllr Houston also reported that the residents also had a meeting scheduled with the owners to discuss their concerns directly.

**867.3 War Memorial**

Following the September meeting, quotes had begun to be obtained for restoration of the lettering on the war memorial. Cllr Heaton confirmed that there would be no objection from the church for the Parish Council to undertake the necessary works. A grant application will be submitted to the Hallburn Wind Farm fund in due course to support it.

**CLERK**

*Cllr Barrett entered the meeting at 7.49pm.*

**867.4 North East Cumbria Forestry Investment Zone Pilot Scheme**

Correspondence had been received regarding the above. The Parish Council is to offer to publicise the scheme in the next Gill if desired.

**868/18 Planning Matters**

**18/0521 Chapel House, Hethersgill, Carlisle, CA6 6DS - Change Of Use Of Redundant Agricultural Storage Building/Barn Into 1no. Dwelling**  
It was **noted** that permission had been granted.

Signed (Chairman).....  
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**18/0689 Appleby House, Kirklington, Carlisle, CA6 6BE - Extension To Existing Agricultural Building**

It was **noted** that permission had been granted.

**869/18 Highways Matters**

**869.1 Updates**

Cllr Oswin noted standing water due to blocked drains on the U1086 outside Quarry Cottage.

**Resolved:** Clerk to report to Highways.

**CLERK**

Cllr Gash noted the inconvenience of the closure of the Rack Bridge without perceived sufficient explanation.

**869.2 Moss Cottage**

City Cllr Shepherd had notified the Clerk that a demolition order was to be placed on the fire damaged building. The timescale for compliance was unknown. A separate issue with septic tank access on adjacent land was noted.

**869.3 Grass Cutting**

An offer had been made by a local resident to cut the grass at the crossroads for the cost of fuel for his lawn mower. This was in an attempt to ensure it was cut frequently enough to keep it tidy.

**Resolved:** To accept the residents offer and to request W & E Carruthers continue to trim Sand Hole common.

**CLERK**

**870/18 Finance Matters**

**870.1 Statement of Accounts to 31st October 2018**

**Resolved:** To receive and note the statement of accounts to date which had been circulated alongside the agenda. The balance at bank at 31st October is £7,811.47.

**870.2 Payments**

**Resolved** to approve payments and authorise two councillors to sign the payment schedule. Payments being:

- Sarah Kyle, November salary £213.39
- Sarah Kyle, December salary £213.19
- HMRC, Tax Nov/Dec £106.80
- Sarah Kyle, Stamps £24.12
- Right Print, Newsletter, £96.00

**870.3 Precept 2019/20**

A report had been circulated alongside the agenda containing forecasted income and expenditure levels for the remainder of 2018/19; the proposed budget for 2019/20 and the estimated levels of reserves to be held on 1st April 2020.

It was stressed that donations to community groups going forward will only be payable if the Hallburn Wind Farm will not support or if the amounts required exceed the grant payable from them. All groups in the Parish were urged to submit applications for the January round. Attendance at an information evening in Longtown in January is also encouraged for community groups who require clarification on eligibility.

Ideas for projects for the Council going forward were requested. A suggestion of computer training was made.

**Resolved:** To accept the proposed budget and set the precept at £7,000 for the Council year 2019/20.

Signed (Chairman).....  
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**870.4 Internal Audit**

**Noted** that the mid-year internal audit had been carried out with no matters to bring to the attention of the Parish Council.

**870.5 Donation Request**

**Resolved** to donate £200 towards the Great North Air Ambulance (LGA 1972 s.137).

**871/18 Councillor Matters**

**Cllr Houston** reported that a request had been made for the Council to apply for a grant to produce a footpath leaflet for the Parish.

**Resolved:** Cllr Houston to inform the resident that the Council are happy to take forward a grant application if a group of volunteers to research and produce the leaflets can be established.

**GH**

**Cllr Elliott** reported complaints from residents regarding mud on the road at Syke Head.

**Resolved:** Clerk to report to Highways.

**CLERK****872/18 Schedule of Correspondence, notices and publications**

A schedule of notices and publications received since the last meeting and not otherwise on the agenda were received and noted.

**873/18 Date of Next Meeting**

**Resolved** that the next meeting of the Parish Council be held on 29th January 2018 in the Parish Hall, Hethersgill at 7.30pm. Please note the later than normal date.

Apologies were received in advance from Cllrs Barrett, Houston and Sisson.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.00pm.

Signed (Chairman).....  
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