



Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 04 December 2017 in the Sedgwick Room, Dent

Present: Councillors Graham Dalton, Chris Evans, Danny Smith, Jenny Pilgrim, Geoff Woof, Ian Mitchell, Martyn Knapton

To be presented for acceptance at the Parish Council meeting on Monday 05 February 2018

139	/17	Apologies for absence: RESOLVED to accept apologies and record the reasons from Councillor Rita Corpe and District Councillors Kevin Lancaster and Mel Mackie	
140	/17	Declarations of Interest: RESOLVED to note the following declarations of interest: Ian Mitchell – Agenda Item 11 in respect of grant applications from Dent Primary School, Dent Primary School Governors, Dent Pre-School Ltd and Dent Grammar School Education Foundation. Chris Evans – Agenda item 11 in respect of Dent Grammar School Education Foundation Graham Dalton – Agenda item 11 in respect of Dent Grammar School Education Foundation	
141	/17	Minutes of the meeting on Monday 02 October 2017: RESOLVED to accept the minutes of the meeting on Monday 02 October 2017 as a correct record and a copy was duly signed by the Chair.	
142	/17	Clerk's Report: RESOLVED to accept the Clerk's report and the additional information offered regarding: Item 7 – The planned works to Beech Hill did not go ahead as the contractors were unable to find the green cabinet they were looking for. The road closure signs had been placed in the wrong place but as the contractors were based in Merseyside they were reluctant to travel all the way up here to move them. It was agreed that the Clerk should write to the CEO at Cumbria County Council and copy Nick Cotton to highlight the confusion and inconvenience caused.	ST
143	/17	Chair and Member Announcements: It was noted that County Councillor Nick Cotton had been very helpful in dealing with the landslip which had blocked the road to Barbon during the recent bad weather. It was dealt with very quickly and efficiently. Land at Gawthrop – A resolution has been agreed to the dispute over the land at Gawthrop where the milk stand and public bench are located. It transpired that the owners of Hobstones Cottage (Mr and Mrs Clucas) had claim to the land as per two old agreements, one for the building of the milk stand and the other with BT for the erection of a phone box. Upon speaking with Mr and Mrs Clucas they were very happy to transfer the piece of land into the ownership of the Parish Council free of charge. A draft agreement has been drawn up and should be signed very shortly. The new public bench will now be put in place and the land maintained by the Parish Council. An email had been received from Northern Rail announcing that the timetable for the Settle-Carlisle line would be re-written in Spring. It was suggested that the Clerk should write to Northern Rail asking why the early morning service does not stop in Dent when it stops everywhere else. Clerk to write to Northern Rail. The clearing of gravel and debris left by recent flooding was raised and it was agreed that the Clerk would ask Highways to deal with this ASAP.	ST ST
144	/17	County and District Councillor announcements: RESOLVED that no county or district councillors were present and no announcements had been	

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145	/17	<p>Public Forum:</p> <p>It had been noted that new trees had been planted at the bottom of Dent Head where the County Council had previously installed railings. It was discussed that the trees could potentially grow into the road and cause an obstruction and that they should be removed now before they had chance to grow. It was agreed that further investigation into who owned the land and who had planted the trees was required before any further action could be taken. Councillor Jenny Pilgrim agreed to find out who owns the land in the first instance.</p> <p>It was noted that we would now require someone to attend to the grass cutting on the land at Gawthrop. Councillors Chris Evans and Geoff Woof agreed to take care of this.</p> <p>The issue of the wall at Barth Bridge which had been knocked down again during recent flooding was raised. It was suggested that the wall should be replaced by railings to allow the flow of water. The Clerk is to contact David Lang at Cumbria Highways to find out who now deals with this.</p> <p>It was noted that the verge to the left of the highway approximately 100 yards after Barth Bridge had slipped further. The clerk will again contact highways to advise them.</p>	<p align="right">JP</p> <p align="right">ST</p> <p align="right">ST</p>
146	/17	<p>Car Park walling:</p> <p>A report was received from the Clerk with regard to the condition of the West wall of the car park. There are several areas of concern mainly caused by stock and campers from neighbouring field jumping over the wall. It was noted that wire fencing above the top of the wall would most likely stop this and it was agreed that Geoff Woof would liaise with John Hyde and Andrew Burrow regarding this. It was RESOLVED to set a limit of £600 for current work which should proceed as soon as possible.</p> <p>It was also noted that we should re-negotiate the lease we have with YDNPA to ask for a 50% contribution from YDNPA towards any walling costs.</p> <p>It was further noted that we should ask for a contribution to the cost from the neighbouring landowner. RESOLVED that the clerk will write to both the YDNPA and the landowner.</p>	ST
147	/17	<p>Budget and Precept – Financial Year 2018/19:</p> <p>The draft budget was presented to the council as agreed by the budget working group who met on 20 November 2017. Highlights included a freeze in precept again, £3000 for grants, £2500 for provision of two defibrillators, £3000 to be budgeted again for Verge Maintenance, Car Park charges to remain the same as currently including permits which will be held again at £100 for the first permit and £50 for each subsequent permit.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the budget be agreed as presented and that the council should request a precept of £15340 for the financial year 2018/19.</p>	

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148	/17	<p>Finance: RESOLVED to note the bank balances at:</p> <p>Current Account £16507.88 Deposit Account £27099.13</p> <p>RESOLVED to authorise the following payments:</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Robert Hodgson (Verge Maintenance 2017)</td> <td align="right">£3000.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Viking (Paper and Stamps)</td> <td align="right">£77.42</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Andrew Burrow (Walling and Fencing on Car Park)</td> <td align="right">£225.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Water Plus (Car Park Water and Wastewater November 2017)</td> <td align="right">£50.27</td> </tr> <tr> <td>EON (Car Park Electricity November 2017)</td> <td align="right">£27.51</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Scott Thornley (Admin and Clerks Expenses November 2017)</td> <td align="right">£11.99</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Legal Fees</td> <td align="right">£306.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>TDP Ltd (Purchase of new bench)</td> <td align="right">£436.20</td> </tr> </table>	Robert Hodgson (Verge Maintenance 2017)	£3000.00	Viking (Paper and Stamps)	£77.42	Andrew Burrow (Walling and Fencing on Car Park)	£225.00	Water Plus (Car Park Water and Wastewater November 2017)	£50.27	EON (Car Park Electricity November 2017)	£27.51	Scott Thornley (Admin and Clerks Expenses November 2017)	£11.99	Legal Fees	£306.00	TDP Ltd (Purchase of new bench)	£436.20	
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149	/17	<p>Parish Council grants: A total of 9 application forms had been sent out and 8 applications had been received as follows:</p> <p>Dent Allotment Society - £626 Dent Pre-School Ltd - £150 Dent Primary School - £1500 Dent Primary School Governors - £3000 Dent Grammar School Education Foundation - £1000 Dent Reading Room - £700 Dent Library Link - £99 Western Dales Bus - £350</p> <p>No application had been received from the Great North Air Ambulance but it was suggested that we consider making a donation to this vital service which benefits the whole community.</p> <p>Councillor Ian Mitchell left the meeting at this point while the applications from Dent Primary School, Dent Primary School Governors, Dent Pre-School and Dent Grammar School Education Foundation were discussed.</p> <p>RESOLVED to award the following grants to:</p> <p>Dent Primary School - £1500 for the provision of educational resources otherwise unavailable to the children of the dale. Dent Primary School Governors - £1500 towards their contribution to building works not just for the school but also the Memorial Hall which is used by the whole community. Dent Pre-School Ltd - £150 for the provision of educational resources to continue the development of pre-school aged children in the dale.</p> <p>Councillor Ian Mitchell re-entered the meeting and it was RESOLVED that the following applications would be unsuccessful this year due to the overwhelming number of applications:</p> <p>Dent Allotment Society - £0 Dent Library Link - £0</p>																	

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		<p>Western Dales Bus - £0</p> <p>It was further RESOLVED to make the following awards:</p> <p>Dent Reading Room - £150 towards the refurbishment of windows and doors. Great North Air Ambulance - £500</p> <p>Councillors Ian Mitchell, Graham Dalton and Chris Evans all left the meeting whilst the application from Dent Grammar School was discussed and it was RESOLVED to award the following:</p> <p>Dent Grammar School - £200 towards the roof repairs at Grammar School House</p> <p>All councillors returned to the meeting,.</p>	
150	/17	<p>Planning: RESOLVED to support the applications:</p> <p>S/01/288 and S/01/288A/LB at Moser Hill Farm, Moser Hill, Dent - listed building consent for replacement of front door and central and extreme left first floor windows on front of house and retention of back door and listed building consent to rebuild walls and roof and enlarge west entrance into detached barn (Withdrawn)</p> <p>S/01/293 at Dockle Syke, Deepdale, Dent - full planning permission to create new access onto Deepdale Lane</p> <p>And note the decision regarding</p> <p>S/01/297 at Spice Gill Farm, Cowgill, Dent - full planning permission for installation of PV solar panels to south facing roof of detached cow shed (Approved conditionally)</p> <p>S/01/49J at Cowgill Barn, Cowgill – Variation of condition 2 in respect of the glazing link between the garage and living accommodation.</p> <p>It Was also noted that Senior Planning Officer Michelle Clowes was on maternity leave and that Paul Martinson was the new Senior Planning Officer for our area.</p>	
151	/17	<p>Date of next meeting: RESOLVED that the next meeting would be on Monday 05 February 2018 at the Sedgwick Room, Dent.</p> <p>Meeting closed at 9.27pm</p>	

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