

Cummersdale Parish Council
Minutes of the Cummersdale Parish Council Meeting held on Monday,
7th September at 7.15 pm 2015 in the Village Hall, Cummersdale

PRESENT:

Councillor Keith McIntosh – Chairman

Councillors

Mr K Nesworthy Mr D Lowe (co-opted part) Cllr Allison

Mrs H Atkinson

Also present . Cllr. A McKerrell and Cllr Christian

42/15 - Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Parish Cllrs. Craig ,Nicholson, Harrison and Kerr.

43/15- Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 6th July 2015.

Resolved to authorise the Chairman to sign the minutes of the previous meeting held on 6th July 2015 as a true and accurate record.

44/15 Requests for Dispensation

None were requested.

45/15 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Christian declared an interest in items relating to the District Council.

46/15-Public Participation

(i) There were no residents present

(ii) Police – Newsletter to be issued when received. Noted The Chairman has submitted a questionnaire on behalf of the village in relation to Police response to crimes to the Police Commissioner, which was not positive.

(iii) Councillor Reports;

~Cllr Allison has produced a report on the provision of street lighting and the cost effect to the Parish Councils- Ted Thwaites (CCC) to consider prior to its distribution.

~ Cllr Allison has produced a report to submit to the Local Committee – there are increasing concerns over road safety on the A595 particularly at the filling station, Newby Cross and Newby West. There have been a number of accidents due to the high speed of the traffic. To report back on any development.

~ Cllr Allison has obtained a litter bin for the car park, the City Council will not empty, volunteers are required.

47/15/15 Co-option of Councillor

(i) **Resolved** to co-opt David Lowe as councillor for Cummersdale Parish, the declaration of acceptance of office was signed and Cllr Lowe was invited to join the meeting.

48/15 Bank Reconciliation

(i) **Resolved** to receive and note the bank balances to 31st August 2015

Community Account - £2091.07

Deposit Account - £11,428.07

Total **£ 13,519.14**

49/15. Payment of Accounts

(i) **Resolved** to authorise payment of the accounts listed below dated 7th September 2015

VIN 29 George Douglas £ 216.00 Hedge cutting

VIN 30 Cumbria CC £20.00 copies of common land register

VIN 31 Garthside £400.00 grass cutting Aug

VIN 32 BDO	£120.00	External Audit fees
VIN 33 S Tarrant	£131.71	September Payroll
VIN34 HMRC	£32.80	PAYE
VIN 35 Garthside	£400.00	grass cutting Sept.
VIN 36 AW Blake	£1020.00	container for the allotments
VIN 37 ISM	£36.00	domain name.
Total	£2776.51	

(ii) Noted the receipt of the concurrent service grant of £661.00

(iii) Noted grant received from Cumbria County Council to purchase a container for the allotments, £700.00.

50/15 External Auditors- Annual Return 2014/15

a. **Resolved** to receive notification of the receipt of the External Auditor's certificate and opinion which confirmed the Council's Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2015 were in accordance with the Audit Commission's requirements.

b. **Resolved** to receive confirmation that the Notice of Conclusion of Audit has been posted for public display on village notice boards.

(NB. There were no matters arising from the audit)

51/15 Planning

Received an update on the current planning applications;

i) App 15/560 Land to the rear of Margery Terrace, Cummersdale

Erection of 3 dwellings with access road and parking area. – New plans have been submitted, these will be issued for re-consultation by the Parish Council, Development Control Committee 23.10.15

ii) App 15/0405 Land at Newby West – Installation of photovoltaic arrays.

No objections received; the decision will be delegated to the planning officer.

52/15. Rights of Way and Village issues

(i) Litter bin required at Garden Village. - **Resolved** to request a litter bin from the City Council and for it to be emptied.

(ii) Cumbria in Bloom – The presentation of awards will be held 16th September in Dalton in Furness, the Chairman is unable to attend. Outcome to be reported at the next meeting.

(iii) Speeding vehicles on Dalston Road within the new 40mph. A TDU is in place, Clerk to obtain data from the County Highways and report at the next meeting if available. Enquires to be made to install a speed indicator device; Clerk to pursue.

(iv) Cllr Allison reported that the repairs to the banking on Sustrans cycle way would cost in the region of £100-150,000, this will be taken to the Local Committee however doubtful if the funds are available. Sustrans to be approached for their assistance.

53/15. Schedule of Correspondence, notices and publications

Received and noted- schedule of correspondence, notices and publications received since the last meeting and not on the agenda.;

(i) Mr Hetherington; concerning the open ditch at the entrance to Grace Lane, this is at the end of the footpath created by Charles Church. The protective barrier has been removed. Clerk to report to Highways Dept.

(ii) Request for the Spinners Arms to borrow the Council's marquee for a wedding; **Resolved** to request a donation for the marquee. Terms and Conditions of hire shall be issued and that the marquee could not be used as a smoking area.

Next meeting 5th October 2015