

Cummersdale Parish Council
Minutes of the Cummersdale Parish Council Meeting held on Monday
20th September 2021 at 7.15pm in Cummersdale Village Hall.

PRESENT:
Councillor Keith McIntosh – Chairman

Councillors
Cllr T Allison

Cllr D Lowe
Cllr B Craig

Cllr W Kerr
Cllr T Brown

Also present – District Cllr McKerrell

39/21 Apologies

Resolved to receive and accept apologies from District Cllrs Collier & Bainbridge and Parish Councillors Nesworthy, & Harrison

40/21 Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 7th July 2021

(i) **Resolved** to authorise the Chairman to sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the of the Council meeting held on 7th July 2021.

41/21 Appointment of Vice Chairman

(i) **Resolved** to appoint Cllr Bryan Craig as vice chairman to the Parish Council. Cllr Craig signed his declaration of acceptance of office.

42/21 Request for Dispensation

Resolved – None requested

43/21 Declarations of Interest

Resolved to accept a declaration of interest from Cllr T Allison in relation to agenda item 10. Planning application 21/0752.

44/21 Public Participation

a. Residents

No residents were present

b. Police - emailed

c. Councillor Reports

~Cllr Allison & McKerrell offered a contribution towards the grass cutting along the cycle way to Dalston.

(Parish Council will be invoiced)

~Road conditions are poor around the village and blocked gullies. Photos and exact locations to be sent to the Clerk to report to Highways.

45/21 Bank Reconciliation

(i) **Resolved** to receive and note the bank balances to 31st August 2021.

Community Account £1497.25

Deposit Account - £34,882.34

Total £ 36,379.62 (inc outstanding payments and banking)

(ii) **Resolved** to authorise the Chairman to sign the Councils bank statements.

(iii) **Resolved** to offer a financial contribution to Cummersdale Village Hall, large hall repainting. Invoice to be made out in the name of the Parish Council. Clerk to make arrangements.

46/21 Payment of Accounts

(i) Resolved to authorise payment of the accounts dated 20th September 2021

VIN 21 S Tarrant	£146.06	Payroll August
VIN 22 HMRC	£36.40	PAYE August
VIN 23 Garthside	£400.00	Grass cutting
VIN 24 S Tarrant	£146.06	Payroll September
VIN 25 HMRC	£36.40	PAYE September
VIN 26 PKF LLP	£240	External Audit fees
VIN 27 Garthside	£50.00	Village hall grass cutting
VIN 28 Community Heartbeat	£49.20	New defibrillator pads
VIN 29 Wight Computers	£171.59	Web hosting
VIN Brian Johnstone	£4296.00	Hall painting
TOTAL	£5571.71	

47/21 Village & Rights of Way Matters.

(i) Projects –

- a. **Resolved** to arrange a meeting with the owners of the land next to the village hall with the view to obtain it and create a memorial garden.
- b. **Resolved** to set up a resident group as a working group for the Jubilee 70 and to develop ideas for the Councils reserves. Clerk to produce a flyer requesting volunteers from Clover fields and Glamarra Drive.

(ii) **Resolved** to revise the grass cutting contract for 2022.

To include hedge cutting, additional work in the Copse and Cumbria in Bloom works. To include a maximum height for the grass with a minimum number of 15 cuts, Clerk to produce a revised schedule and circulate.

(iii) **Resolved** to request permission to replace the existing Cummersdale sign at the end of Cummersdale road, with “Cummersdale Village”, also to include a sign “Unsuitable for HGV’s”

48/21 Planning application considered

(i) App 21/0752 Demolition of agricultural buildings and erection of 5 dwellings

High Cummersdale Farm, The Square, Cummersdale.

Resolved- No observations, members support this application, low density, good quality homes. Improvement from the current redundant pig farm.

49/21 Councils Bank Account

(i) **Resolved** to switch to Unity Bank from HSBC.

(ii) **Resolved** to appoint the following members as bank signatories ;
Cllrs Keith McIntosh, David B Craig, David Lowe & Trevor Allison.

(iii) **Resolved** to authorise the Clerk, Mrs Susan Tarrant to make bank transfer payments on behalf of the Council.

(iv) **Resolved** to introduce a schedule of payments, this will be produced and issued with the agenda, to authorise bank transfer payments. To be signed by two Councillors at the Council meeting.

50/21 Members Code of Conduct

(i) **Resolved** to adopt the Members Code of Code 2020. (Section 27 of the Localism Act 2011 provides that a Parish Council comply with its obligation to adopt a Code by adopting the code of its principal authority, in this case Carlisle City Council.)

51/21.External Audit

- (i) **Resolved** to receive the Conclusion of Audit from the External Auditor PKF Littlejohn LLP, no matters arising.
- ii. Noted all Statutory documents have been uploaded to the Parish Councils website as per the Local Government Transparency Code 2014.

52/21.Correspondence

Resolved to receive and note schedule of correspondence, notices and publications received since the last meeting and not on the agenda.

- (i) Update on the Unitary Authority – CALC
- (ii) CALC AGM – minutes to be circulated.

- Next Meeting Monday 4th October 2021 (Cummersdale Village Hall)