

Cummersdale Parish Council  
Minutes of the Cummersdale Parish Council Meeting held on Monday  
6<sup>th</sup> March 2023 held in Cummersdale Village Hall at 7.15pm

**PRESENT:**  
**Councillor Keith McIntosh – Chairman**

<b>Cllr D Lowe</b>	<b>Cllr W Kerr</b>	<b>Councillors</b>	
<b>Cllr T Brown</b>	<b>Cllr D Chicken</b>	<b>Cllr T Allison</b>	<b>Cllr D Harrison</b>
		<b>Cllr K Nesworthy</b>	

**127/22 Apologies**

**Resolved** to receive and accept apologies from District Cllrs Collier, McKerrill & Bainbridge and Parish Councillor Craig.

**128/22 Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2023.**

(i) **Resolved** to authorise the Chairman to sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2023.

(ii) Min 118/22, **Resolved** to receive Cllr Chickens signed declaration of acceptance as a Cummersdale Parish Councillor.(error in previously signed declaration)

**129/22 Request for Dispensation**

(i) **Resolved**, none received.

**130/22 Declarations of Interest**

(i) **Resolved** no declaration of interest were made.

**131/22 Public Participation**

a. Residents- None present

b. Police

Clerk to circulate police newsletter.

c. Councillor Reports

Cllr Allison- poor road conditions in the area with pot holes, (no further funding is available from Central Government for their repair). Representation has been made by Cllr Allison, the Parish Council and residents regarding this matter.

**132/22 Bank Reconciliation**

(i) **Resolved** to receive and note the bank balances to 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2023

Unity Bank Current Account £11,000.11

Unity Bank Deposit Account £15,654.53

Total £26,665.04

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

(iii) **Resolved** to allocate £500. as the fund for the Coronation celebrations.(min 124/22) Local community groups may apply.

**133/22 Payment of Accounts**

(i)**Resolved** to authorise payment of the accounts dated 6<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

Vin 71	R&M Lowther	156.00	Christmas tree
Vin 72	R&M Lowther	360.00	Removal of willow, Copse
Vin 73	Paul Fisher flooring	1185.60	Flooring , Village hall
Vin 74	Glasdon	1005.49	Memorial Bench for copse

**TOTAL** **£2707.09**

### **134/22 Temporary Clerk & RFO**

- (i) **Resolved** to temporary appointment of the former Clerk & RFO, Mrs S Tarrant to the role due to the resignation of Miss M Russell with immediate effect.
- (ii) Noted Mrs Tarrant will invoice the Parish Council for hours worked and be responsible for HMRC self-assessment;
- (iii) **Resolved** to appoint Mrs Susan Tarrant as signatory and key contact to the Parish Councils bank accounts ; Sort code 60.83.01  
Unity Bank 20450054  
Unity Bank 20450041
- (iv) A verbal update on the recruitment of a replacement Clerk & RFO was received, interviews to be arranged in the next two weeks, Cllrs McIntosh & Craig and the Clerk, S Tarrant will preside.

### **135/22 Village & Rights of Way Matters**

Members reported on matters of relevance to the village.

- (i) **Resolved** to defer consideration to purchase a mobile speed indicator device until the new CSLR is underway and the new roundabout is in place. Cllr McIntosh has been contacted by the volunteer speed watch group operating in our area, propose a presentation at a forthcoming meeting.
- (ii) Barbed wire in the Copse, Cllrs McIntosh, Brown & Kerr to attempt to remove the barbed wire in sections. To report back at the next meeting.
- (iii) Noted a report damage to post and netting on the Common.
- (iv) **Resolved** to undertake maintenance of bushes around Cummersdale Common, Clerk to contact Garthside Landscapes.
- (v) **Resolved** to allow the planting of a cherry tree in memory of Ryan Shield in the Copse bench and tree location to be confirmed.

### **136/22 Cummersdale Village Hall**

- (i) **Resolved** to claim the £1500 CPCA grant on behalf of Cummersdale Village Hall, this shall be paid to the hall on receipt.
- (ii) Noted -Cummersdale Village Hall Trustees were confirmed as Mrs Jean Nesworthy and Mrs Joyce Corrieri.

### **137/22 Correspondence**

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

- (i) Cumbria County Council, Southern Link Road update- tenders for the main contractor received and waiting a decision from Homes England/DLUHC.

### **Councillor Matters\***

*Peter Lane unsure when it will re-open?*