

LOWER ALLITHWAITE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held in The Village Hall, Cartmel on Thursday 9th January 2020

PRESENT: Cllrs Johnson (Chairman), Simpson, Robinson, Dean, Huggett, Bird, Sim, Anderson, Lewis, France, C
Cllr Sanderson No members of the public.

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllrs, Lamb, D Cllr Gardiner

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES AS CIRCULATED**

The minutes of the meeting held in Cartmel Village Hall on Thursday 12th December 2019 as circulated were proposed by Cllr Sim and seconded by Cllr Simpson and agreed unanimously.

3. **REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS**

None

4. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

5. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN RELATION TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

None

6. **CORRESPONDENCE**

i) **Robert Boak** – Councillors noted Mr Boak’s comments about the use of the accesses to the field at the top of Holme Lane. Council instructed the Clerk to write to CCC Highways to ask if they could do anything about the situation. **Action - Clerk**

ii) **Ron Whitworth** - Councillors considered Mr Witworth’s letter about the parking ticket he received for parking on the racecourse. They felt there was no need to respond.

iii) **MacMillan** – Council noted the request for the Macmillan bus to park under the Priory Wall on 1st April. Councillors had no objections and Cllr Johnson will contact David Unsworth to see if he would put out the cones as he did last year. **Action – Cllr Johnson**

7. **PLANNING**

i) **Pre-Planning Applications** None

ii) **Applications Recommended for Approval by the Parish Council.** None

iii) **Applications Recommended for Refusal by the Parish Council.** SL/2019/1017-1018 single storey rear extension, Town Close, the square, Cartmel, refuse until an acceptable conservation report has been submitted. SL/2019/1028 Change of use to letting accommodation and seating and storage and food prep, 1 & 2 Unsworths Yard and Wayside Flat, Ford Road, Cartmel, refuse on grounds of loss of permanent accommodation, 5 for 0 against 5 abstentions. SL/2019/1026 hardstanding for parking, Field Beck, Barn Garth, Cartmel, refuse as this is designated as protected green space in the emerging Neighbourhood Plan and there is no history of parking except for garden service vehicles. Extended use as parking would result on turning and reversing opposite the Montessori Nursery.

iv) **Applications Withdrawn** None

8. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

i) **Actions from previous minutes** None outstanding

ii) **Working Group Reports**

a) **Allithwaite Community** – The bench for the bus shelter has arrived. Cllr Sim will secure it over the coming weekend.

b) **Neighbourhood Plan – No progress**

c) **Cartmel Toilets** – The clerk reported that the £20k grant has still not been received. Cllr Johnson has applied for £100k Lottery Grant. Cllr Dean to pass Lambert Smith Hampton’s contact details to the clerk. **Action – Cllr Dean.**

d) **Cartmel Environment Group** – The group is still being formulated and requires one more member of the public. **Action - Group**

e) **Quarry** – The Clerk to send the revised gate spec out for prices. **Action – Clerk.** The Quarry Plan is to be presented to Council on the next agenda. **Action – Clerk.** The Clerk to write to South Lakes Ecology for guidelines for an ecological report. **Action - Clerk**

iii) **Cartmel Village Society** – Nothing to report

iv) **St Marys, Allithwaite** – No report

v) **Free mini library** –

vi) **Newsletter** – Circulated newsletter was agreed. **Action - Clerk**

vii) **Clerk’s Report** –The issue of losing the Lengthsman may have resolved itself. The Clerk to report at next meeting.

District Councillor’s report – No report. **County Councillor’s report** –No Report.

9. **FINANCE** as at 31st December 2019

i) **Parish Accounts**

Community Account	£68,232.33
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Business Base Rate Tracker £10,142.76

ii) **Money Received (October)**

Cottage Rent	£400.00
Saunders (Fogg)	£137.00
WI (Donation, Cartmel Library)	£250.00
A Clarke (W R Cockshott)	£274.00

Cheques for Approval (November)

Clerks Salary	£566.66
Clerks Expenses: Broadband £17.00, Mileage £11.00	£28.00
PAYE	£141.60
Grange Now (Newsletter)	£196.00 + £8.00 VAT
C France (books for library)	£20.00
Christmas in Cartmel	£300.00
A digital (domain name renewal)	£39.50 + £7.90 VAT
Viking (toilet consumables and printer ink)	£123.19 + £24.64 VAT
Finance was agreed unanimously.	

- iv) Cllr Johnson proposed the signing of the Precept for in the value of £38,000, Agreed unanimously and signed by the Chair, Cllr Huggett and the Clerk. The clerk to send to SLDC **Action - Clerk**

10. **OTHER MATTERS**

i) **Cartmel Footbridge** – The bridge is expected to be complete by mid March. Cllr Dean suggested an official opening later in the year and a competition to name the bridge. The EA still require a revised flood risk even though the profile beneath the bridge has not altered. The Chair proposed that Curtins be employed to update the flood risk in the value of £300. Agreed unanimously.

11. **QUESTIONS/ANSWERS/REPORTS/COMPLAINTS.**

Cllr Bird – The lights at the bottom of Holme Lane are still out. C Cllr Sanderson asked for the works log and agreed to pursue. Action – C Cllr Sanderson

Cllr France – There are instances of flooding on Vicarage Lane adjacent to the new house site.

The meeting closed at 8-31 pm and the Chairman thanked everyone for attending. The next Meeting of the Council will be held on Thursday 13th February 2020 at 7-15pm, in Cartmel Village Hall.