

KIRKLINTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of Kirklington Parish Council held at Fir Ends School on Tuesday 12 July 2016.

PRESENT

M Jack (Chairperson), I Armstrong, Mrs B Irving, Mrs M Story, D Allan, Mrs M White and T Wigham.

Councillor David Shepherd (Carlisle City Council), the Rev'd P Greenhalgh and Mrs V Smith were also in attendance.

APOLOGIES

A Smith and Councillor J Mallinson (Cumbria County Council)

REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

None received.

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None received.

MINUTES of the Annual General Meeting held on 3 May 2016 were approved as a correct record and duly signed by the Chairperson.

MATTERS ARISING

(a) Play area – monthly inspections

Monthly Inspection Report Forms were distributed to the next Councillors on the rota.

(b) Play area – maintenance

(1) An estimate of £220 for painting play area equipment received from Peter Black was approved and authority given for the work to proceed. The Clerk was asked to ensure that the painting of the metal seat was included in the work.

(2) An estimate of £85 for replacing the small entrance gate received from Peter Henderson was approved and authority given for the work to proceed.

Councillor Shepherd offered some additional financial assistance towards the cost of the new gate and the painting of the seat. The Clerk was asked to forward the relevant information to David for his consideration.

The Clerk was asked approach Peter Henderson for advice on what type of surface could be used on the slide platform which could be slippery when wet.

(c) Highways Issues

No further information as to progress was available.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE 2016/17

The Income and Expenditure position as at 12 July 2016 compared with the approved Budget was noted.

PAYMENTS, SUBSCRIPTIONS AND RECEIPTS

A request from Kirklington with Hethersgill Parochial Church Council for a grant towards grass cutting in the churchyard was given further consideration following the receipt of information on how the previous year's grant had been utilised.

Whilst the grant had not been specifically used for grass cutting, the Parish Council's intention, it had been used to offset other costs of churchyard maintenance and was therefore still a legitimate contribution from the Parish Council. The PCC acknowledged that in hindsight the Parish Council should have been asked whether their grant could be used for this alternative use and offered its' apologies.

Following a lengthy discussion, which included an explanation of the problems associated with grass cutting the previous year, the Parish Council was minded to award a grant of £500 towards the cost of grass cutting in 2016/17. It was made clear to the PCC that the grant was to be used exclusively for grass cutting within the churchyard and that if the PCC did not spend at least £500 on grass cutting any unspent balance of the grant would need to be returned to the Parish Council.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(a) Application No. 16/0201 (David Wigham)

Erection of agricultural machinery shed at Hether Mill, Kirklington, Carlisle

The observations of the Planning Sub-Committee and the decision of the Planning Authority to approve the application were noted.

CORRESPONDENCE

A schedule of the correspondence received since the last meeting was noted.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 20 September 2016

CORRESPONDENCE received since the last meeting

1. CUMBRIA ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS

County Circulars – June 2016 (**copy attached**)

Training Opportunities

Parish Council & Village Hall Grant Schemes 2016/17

2. CARLISLE CITY COUNCIL

Agendas and Minutes of City Council Meetings

Carlisle Flood Forum events

Launch of Cumbria Countryside Access Fund

Armed Forces Day

Cumbria Central Heating Fund

Carlisle Educational Charity

3. CUMBRIA COUNTY COUNCIL

Houghton & Irthington Electoral Division Email Grants Panels 2016/17