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Minutes of the Meeting Held on Thursday 12 January 2017 in the Village Hall commencing at 7.30pm.

Present

Cllrs: Mr. I S Harrington (In the Chair), Mrs. C Merrie, Miss. K Little, Miss K Metcalfe
Mr.W F Mounsey, Mr. M Holliday, Mr. J Fleming (Clerk)

Apologies for absence

Cllrs: Mr D Banks, Mr. S Peet, Mr. T Wentworth Waites, Mr. C Wilson and County
Councillor Mary Robinson.

759 Minutes

The Chairman was authorised to sign the minutes of the meeting of the
Parish Council held Thursday the 17th November 2016, as a true record.

760 Trivselhus by Esh

Due to poor weather conditions Colin Willetts, Sales and Marketing Director
for 'Trivselhus by Esh' gave his apologies.

761 Declarations of Interest

Cllrs Miss. K Little and Mr. I Harrington, declared their positions as
Langwathby Village Hall Committee representatives.

762 Public Participation

762.1 Village Hall Report

Reported that John Slee had agreed to assist in assessing the needs in
respect of the repair of the roof and in seeking grant support for the work
needed.

763 Planning Matters

763.1 16/1093 Inglenook Langwathby

Erection of 1st Floor Porch and External Staircase. Under consultation

763.2 16/1076 Land to N and S of River Eamont at Udford.

Proposed construction of a gauging station and associated
infrastructure. Under consultation

763.3 Future Arrangements for Receiving Plans for Consultation.

Reported that Eden District Council, through the Cumbria Association
of County Councils, were holding a consultation over a proposal to
move totally towards Electronic Planning Consultation.

During a debate the following points were made:-

- Some Councillors were comfortable with viewing plans, on-line,
on their home computer or laptop.

- Other Councillors found the prospect of viewing plans in this way more difficult and less convenient, especially if a friend or relative usually went on-line, on their behalf.
- The current, traditional policy of distributing paper plans, for consultation, by a 'Round Robin' approach, worked very well and smoothly.
- It was stated that larger sets of plans, for a more complex developments were better discussed at a full meeting of the Council, where plans could be laid out and discussed; it being impossible to get a feel of the impact of a new development from a small Laptop screen.
- There was no Wi-Fi available in the village hall.
- To view projected, E Mailed plans, at a meeting, would require a compatible Laptop projector and a screen.
- The majority view being that the Council would wish to continue to receive plans in a paper form, although also receiving plans by E Mail would be welcomed by some. The Clerk was asked to respond accordingly.

764 Highways and Land Matters

764.1 Erosion of River Bank at Langwathby Bridge

Reported that it is was understood that the situation was being monitored with intention to repair the river bank when the water level is low, later in the year.

764.2 Robin Hood Lane Footpath Stile – Reported that additional steps were being installed. There was a request that a handrail also be installed.

764.3 Footpath Lighting – Powleys Garth – The matter is in hand with the Highways Department. The Clerk would seek a progress report.

764.4 Tree Pruning in St Peters Churchyard

Reported that work had been completed very satisfactorily.

764.5 Emergency Plan – An Emergency plan was approved, is on file and will be circulated.

764.6 Renovation of Cemetery Seat – matter is in hand.

764.7 Langwathby Footpath - Notice Board to Old Powley's

Reported that the matter is in hand.

764.8 Signage to Frank Bird Ltd – The matter is in hand with the Highways Department. The Clerk would seek a progress report.

764.9 Annual Playground Inspection Report

The work required regarding Langwathby and Edenhall Play Ground Inspection Reports were discussed in detail.

Decision – To ask John Dulson to undertake the work necessary in respect of Langwathby and Paul Neary in respect of Edenhall, the former to liaise with Cllr Doug Banks and the latter with Ian Harrington. To add a contact telephone number in the event of an emergency to the sign on the bus shelter wall.

764.10 Hedge Trimming – Two Castle Housing Association.

Reported that the Association had been contacted and that they had passed the request on to their maintenance staff to include in their routine maintenance programme.

764.11 School Back Road Potholes.

Reported that these had been repaired.

764.12 Directional Sign near the War Memorial.

Reported that the non - alignment of this sign had been reported to the Highways Department. Appreciation had, at the same time, been expressed for the initiative, to re-paint this and other historic cast iron directional signs

764 13 Cemetery Lawn Mower – Servicing had been initiated and done.

765 Finance (Incl. Vat)**765.1 The following balances were noted:**

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Penrith Building Society	2113
Barclays	2333
Sundry Debtor - VAT	540
Sundry Debtor – Village Hall	<u>595</u>
Total Assets as at 4/1/2017	<u>5581</u>

765.2 The following accounts were ratified:

Clerks Fee November/ December	400.00
Clerk Broad Band - Tel November/ December	30.00
E –On Electricity Village Hall	71.28
E –On Electricity Village Hall	62.71
Play Inspection Company	180.00
Hopes Garage – Mower Fuel Cemetery	28.74
CaterKwick Filters Village Hall	70.70
Field View Electrical Village Hall	100.20
Paul Neary Village Hall	325.00

765 .3 It was agreed to make the following payment

Clerks Mileage	42 miles @ 45ppm	18.90
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765.4 The following receipts were noted:

Village Hall Loan Repayment	1863.00
Cemetery Fees	550.00
Pinfold Rent – Edenhall	1.00
Recycling Income	452.00
C C C Grant – Defibrillator Signs	80.00
Penrith Building Society Interest	20.00

765.5 Insurance Premium.

Reported that the Parish Council's Insurance Broker, Norrish Fisher, had sought and received a revised renewal premium quotation from another firm of underwriters, for identical cover, which reduced the premium for 2017/2018 to £1645.85, reduction of approximately £100 over last year and £154 under budget.

Agreed to accept this quotation.

766 Correspondence, Notices and Publications**766.1 Langwathby Recycling Centre**

Serious concern had been raised, by a parishioner, over the use of this facility. Regular instances of 'Fly Tipping' occurred, some of it being very undesirable. Councillors felt strongly that this is a valuable facility from which the Parish Council derives a meaningful income, unlike the doorstep Green Boxes, and Parishioners are asked to use the facility

and to use it responsibly. There was also a reminder to ask that those depositing boxes to take the trouble to crush them.

Agreed to make reference to this issue in the forthcoming Memo.

Council and to request more frequent emptying of bins.

766.2 Parking On The Village Green

A Parishioner had noticed that some vehicle parking was still happening, from time to time on the Village Green, in the vicinity of the shop in particular, which was causing damage when conditions were wet.

766.3 CALC – Archaeological Survey

Retired Archaeologist and former Mayor of Kendal, Tom Clare has completed an architectural survey on village architecture in Eden at the turn of the Millennium. A copy of the disc is available from:-

Tomcalre601@gmail.com

766.4 Coast to Coast Charity Bike Ride - 11th August 2017

A request had been received to host a comfort and refreshment break on Langwathby Green, making use of the Village Hall toilet facilities, in return for a donation to the Village Hall, as last year. Permission was granted.

766.5 Langwathby Hall – Environmental Issues.

The environmental impact of the Langwathby Hall Development had been raised with reference to the grant of planning permission. It was reported that the Clerk had researched the matter and then responded.

766.6 Royal Garden Party 23rd May. Agreed to nominate Chairman Cllr Doug Banks.

767 Councillor Matters

767.1 Recycling Issues surrounding the Recycling Centre were raised. (see minute 764.1.)

767.2 Recycling Income

The Clerk was asked to clarify with EDC how they exactly calculated the income due to the Parish

767.3 Conifer Roots By the School Entrance.

Reported that the roots of a Conifer tree, by the right hand school entrance, on the far side of the oil tank, was raising the footpath; agreed to investigate.

768 Date of Future Meetings

- Venues Langwathby Village Hall - back room.
- March Meeting - Thursday 16th March commencing at 7.30pm
- Annual Parish Meeting followed by AGM and May meeting Thursday 18th May commencing at 7.30pm

There being no further business the Chairman thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 9.15 pm