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Minutes of the Meeting Held on Thursday 15th March 2018
in the Village Hall commencing at 7.30pm.

Present

Cllrs: Mr. D Banks (In the Chair), Mr. I Harrington, Mrs. C Merrie, Mr. C Wilson, Mr. Craig Eland, Miss K Metcalfe, Mr. M Holliday, Miss K Little, Mr. W F Mounsey, Mr. T Wentworth Waites, County Councillor Claire Driver, Mr. J Fleming (Clerk) and one member of the public

Unapproved

Apologies for absence

There were none.

839 Minutes

The Chairman was authorised to sign the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held Thursday 18th January 2018, as a true record.

840 Declarations of Interest

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

841 Public Participation

841.1 County Councillor Report:- Cllr Claire Driver reported on issues surrounding the recent bad weather and the importance of having in place an emergency plan and also mentioned the work the County Council was doing regarding 'Fuel Poverty'

841.2 District Councillor Report:- Cllr Doug Banks, reported that the EDC Single Administration site in Penrith, was again being discussed, work of the EDC Scrutiny Coordinating Board and the outcome of the Local Governance Review

842 Finance (Incl. Vat)

842.1 To note the following balances:

Vat to be claimed	£ 421.04
Village Hall to refund	£ 79.57
Penrith Building Society	£ 656.02
Barclays	£1511.41

842.2 The Following Accounts Were ratified

Clerk Broadband/Tel Jan/Feb	£ 30.00
Clerk Fee Jan/Feb	£ 440.00
Opus Energy VH	£ 87.06
Opus Energy VH	£ 83.55
Play Inspection Company	£ 167.88
Gce- Web Design (Domain3yrs/Hosting 1yr)	£143.82
Fieldview Electrical - VH	£ 148.32
Norris & Fisher – Insurance	£1683.11
PWLB – Village Hall Loan	£3726.04

842.3 To agree the following Payment

Clerks Expenses	£ 35.55
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842.4 To note the Following Receipts:

Vat Refund	£1580.42
Pinfold Rent	£ 1.00

842.5 An Interim Set of Accounts was Tabled – Unanimously Accepted**842.6 Transparency Fund Grants**

Reported that a grant of £581.40 had been awarded, by the NALC Transparency Fund.

843 Planning Matters

The following decisions were reported:-

18/0093	Tree Removal Old Vicarage, Edenhall	No Comment
18/0121	Proposed General Storage Building Workshop and Premises, High Mill Langwathby	Supported
18/0111	Change of use of Nursery to Hairdressers Langwathby Hall	Supported
18/0118	Erection of storage building Fernwood, Edenhall.	Supported
18/0136	Change of use residential to wedding venue High Barn Cottage, Edenhall	Supported

844 Highways and Land Matters

844.1 Path by School Entrance - Root Damage – Repair work had been deferred to the next financial year, 2018/2019

844.2 Walby Garth Entrance – Resurfacing has been deferred to 2018/19

844.3 Grass Cutting 2018 – 2020 – Confirmed that the contract for the next 3 years had been awarded to Nigel Preston, being the most competitive tender.

844.4 Dangerous Culgaith Junction – Cllr Claire Driver reported that a new warning sign was to be erected and 'Slow' road markings approaching the junction from the east, were to be actioned by Highways in the new financial year. LPC was to investigate garden shrubs that could be impeding vision. It was also requested that Highways be approached to ask if an Electronic Speed Indicator could be installed at the approach to the junction, again, from the east.

844.5 Langwathby Bridge 50th Anniversary – Reported that there was to be a showing of the archival film of the washing away of the original stone bridge and the construction of the new 'temporary' structure, in the village hall the evening of the 23rd March. It was also re-ported that the local media had been contacted to request coverage of the anniversary celebrations. It was confirmed that an event celebrating the opening of the new bridge would take place on the Sports Ground in May.

844.6 Roadside Verge Edenhall Crossroads. – United Utilities had confirmed that they would reinstate the damaged grass verge when the construction of their lay by had been completed, later in the spring.

844.7 Pond Corner – Edenhall – The water flowing across the road had been reported to Highways, interim remedial work had been actioned and further work to address the drainage problem in the adjoin lane, would be undertaken in the new financial year.

844.8 Station Lighting – The suggestion of a light being installed on the underside of the railway bridge to improve the lighting as you approach the road, was to be taken up with Network rail.

844.9 Road Surfacing Quality – A brief report on the various types of road surfacing materials and their respective merits, had been received from highways.

845.10 Salkeld Road – School to Little Salkeld Bridge – Issues – Reported that the potholes had now been repaired on this stretch of road.

844.11 Recycling Centre Langwathby – Reported that two extra paper/card bins had been supplied by EDC.

844.12 High Mill Langwathby – Waste Foul Water – Reported that this issue still had not be resolved satisfactorily.

Action:- The matter to be raised again with the Environmental Agency.

845 Data Protection.

Confirmed that action would be taken to ensure that the Parish Council conformed with the new legislation.

846 Correspondence, Notices and Publications

846.1 4G High Speed Broadband. Information had been received regarding a new 4G High Speed Broadband service being provided by EE, in the area. This provision was claimed to be weather proof, however there was no phone facility available.

846.2 BT Wayleave. Confirmed that a, one off, Wayleave payment of £143.50 had been confirmed by BT in respect of some cables being placed underground on the Langwathby Village Green.

846.3 EDC 2018/2019 Scrutiny Work Programme.

A request had been received from EDC for suggested topics the Scrutiny Work Programme should consider in the forthcoming year..

Action:- To suggest, a) Fuel Poverty and b) Growing Rural Businesses in the Rural Economy.

846.4 Playground Inspection Reports.

The Playground Inspection Reports had been received in respect of Langwathby and Edenhall.

Action:- Agreed to take action where necessary.

847 Devolution and Transfer of Assets from EDC to Parish Councils.

847.1 Reported that as a consequence of the rejection of the EDC legal document, covering the transfer of assets from EDC to Parish Councils, by NALC, CALC were in the process of appointing a solicitor to draw up a revised contract, in conjunction with EDC.

847.2 Reported that Cllr D Banks, as Chairman of the EDC Scrutiny Coordinating Board was intending to convene a meeting of the Board to thrash out unresolved matters, including the legal contract, associated with the Devolution and Transfer of Footway Lighting from EDC to Parish Councils; Rural Councillors with representation from CALC and Neil buck and Jane Langston from EDC, being invited.

848 Councillor Matters

848.1 Litter Bin, Lay By, Top of Langwathby Bank

Action:- To request one be provided by EDC.

848.2 Langwathby Bank Speed Survey

Action:- To request a copy of the report.

849 Dates and venue of 2018 meetings

Venue Langwathby Village Hall – Back Room - Commencing 7.30pm

Thursday 17th May (Prov), Annual Parish Meeting followed by AGM and May meeting 19th July (Prov), 13th September (Prov) and 15th November (Prov)

The meeting closed at 8.40pm and was followed by a meeting of the Langwathby Williamson Trust.