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Minutes of the Meeting Held on Thursday 18th July 2019
in the Village Hall commencing at 7.30pm.

Apologies

Cllrs Mr. M Holiday, Mr. D Banks and Mr. C Wilson.

Present

Cllrs: Mr. I Harrington, (in the Chair), Mr. T Anderson, Miss. K Little,
Mrs. C Merrie, Mr. J Fleming (Clerk), County Councillor Miss C Driver.
Four members of the public.

41 Minutes

The Chairman was authorised to sign the minutes of the Annual General and May meeting of the Parish Council held on Thursday 15th May, as a true record

42 Co – option of Councillors for the Langwathby and Edenhall Wards

Mr. Jason Corbishley was unanimously co – opted as a Councillor for the Edenhall Ward. Proposed by Cllr. Tom Anderson and seconded by Cllr. Carol Merry.

Mr Craig Eland as unanimously co -opted as a Councillor for the Langwathby Ward. Proposed by Cllr. Carol Merry and seconded by Cllr. Ian Harrington.

The Chairman warmly welcomed Jason Corbishley to Langwathby Parish Council and also Craig Eland back onto the Council and looked forward to working with them both in the future.

43 Eden Valley Friends of Dementia UK

A short presentation on the work of the Eden Valley Friends of Dementia UK, was given by Fran Flower. The group was set up in March 2019; their objective being to raise £50,000 to pay for the employment of an 'Admiral Nurse' in Cumbria, who would give support and advice to families with a member suffering from dementia. The aims and objectives being similar to a Macmillan nurse supporting those with cancer. Since support from fund raising events and donations. If anybody is interested in supporting this very worthy initiative, the contact is :-
Nigel Faulkner faulkner1950@btinternet.com.

44 Declarations of Interest

Cllrs K Little and I Harrington, declared their positions as Langwathby Village Hall Committee representatives and Cllr. Kerry Little and Doug Banks on the Langwathby Playground sub-committee.

45 Public Participation

There was none.

46 County Councillor Report

A very detailed report was presented by Cllr. Claire Driver. A copy of which is available on the Parish Council website – www.langwathby.org

47 District Councillor Report

In Cllr Doug Banks absence, there was no report.

48 Langwathby Village Hall Report.

Cllrs Ian Harrington and Kerry Little reported that the main focus of the Village Hall Committee was on progressing the replacement roof project.

49 Report from Langwathby Playground Subcommittee. – There was none.**50 Finance (Incl. Vat)****50.1 The Following Balances were Noted: £**

Vat to be claimed	165.36
Village Hall to refund	286.00
Penrith Building Society	20721.37
Barclays	260.15

50.2 The Following Accounts were Ratified:-

Vat to be claimed	165.36
Village Hall to refund	286.00
Penrith Building Society	20721.37
Barclays	260.15
Clerk Office Services	30.00
Clerk Fee May/June	476.00
Field View Electrical VH	71.33
Data Protection	40.00
Cleanspec VH	38.09
D Tec Penrith USB Printer cable	10.00
D Tec Penrith Anti – Virus protection X 3 yrs.	56.99
E2Connect Phone Information signs	85.08
Solway Direct – Memorial Bench W Mounsey	423.60
Opus Energy VH April	99.76
Opus Energy VH May	105.91
Honorarium Bus Shelter/Recycling	200.00
Grant Memo	220.00
Grant Fellrunner	350.00
Grant Edenhall Churchyard	300.00

50.3 The Following Payment was agreed:-

Clerks Expenses – May June 2019	24.30
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50.4 The Following Receipts were Noted:-

Village Hall Committee	280.14
Walkers Funeral Directors	150.00
Cemetery Plot reservations X 2	100.00

50.5 An Interim Set of Accounts Was Presented.

This was unanimously accepted.

50.6 To Table Accounts From Those Bodies Receiving A Grant.

A copy of the Edenhall PCC accounts were tabled. Year end, audited accounts from the Fellrunner and Memo would be circulated when available.

51 Planning Matters

19/358 Lincross, Langwathby. Proposed bathroom dormer and kitchen extension.

Supported

19/0373 Quince Cottage, Edenhall. Tree works

Supported

19/0336 – The Pheasantries, Edenhall - Reserved matters application for access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale attached to approval 18/0850 –

19/0353 The Pheasantries, Edenhall - Listed Building Consent - demolition of redundant building.

Supported

52 Highways and Land Matters

52.1 Langwathby Phone Box Conversion to Info Kiosk – Work is in hand.

52.2 Cemetery Gravel – Work is in hand.

52.3 Surface Water - Salkeld Road - Opposite Hopes Garage. – With Highways.

52.4 Back Road, Langwathby – Blocked Drain by BT Exchange – With Highways

52.5 Footway Light No. 13, By Recycling – In negotiation with EDC.

52.6 Winter Gritting Policy Governing Edenhall Village. – The initial response from Cumbria County Council – Highways was that the gritting priority for Edenhall had previously been considered and decided, with no change in the priority being deemed necessary.

The Clerk was asked to discuss the matter again with the Highways department with a view to obtaining a higher priority.

52.7 Posts Surrounding Shepherd's Inn Car Park – Reported that the majority of the posts had been repainted white, those opposite the garage were awaiting repair.

Action:- Cllr. Craig Eland was to price the job of repairing the damaged posts.

52.8 Eden Housing – Unoccupied House – 11 Salkeld Road

No further information was available.

52.9 Village Seats – Storey Bank and Salkeld Road.

These had now been repainted.

52.10 Memorial Seat in Memory of Cllr Willie Mounsey. – This had been purchased and was awaiting installation at the Edenhall and Langwathby Sports Field.

52.11 Dangerous Culgaith Junction Opposite Town Head Farm – The cross road sign has been installed but we are still waiting for the road marking 'SLOW' to be painted.

Action:- To chase Highways on the matter, as a matter of urgency.

52.12 Blocked Drain/Gully Salkeld Road – Opposite School

Awaiting job to be done.

52.13 Eastern Access to Edenhall from A686, Dangerous Junction. – The danger of a vehicle turning right, off the A686 to Edenhall, into the path of an overtaking vehicle, had been reported to Highways for a second time. A request being made that the double white line be extended from the Whins Pond, Edenhall entrance to just past the Edenhall junction. A reply was still awaited from Highways.

52.14 Blocked Drain Sunnyside – Edenhall

Action:- Agreed to report to Highways.

52.15 Tree Pruning Langwathby and Edenhall – Confirmed that the oak by the bus shelter in Langwathby and the tree by the playground in Edenhall would be attended to on the 6th August 2019, weather permitting.

52.16 School Pavement – Overgrown Foliage

Action:- Agreed to contact the school to request that the foliage that was overhanging the roadside footpath, be pruned.

52.17 Langwathby Recycling Facility

It was reported that Eden District Council had received a complaint regarding the Langwathby Recycling Centre, from a resident living nearby. Following discussion, it was the unanimous opinion of the Parish Council that this recycling drop-off center, provided a valuable, centrally located, facility for the community. Such centers playing their own small part in the overall community need to respond to current environmental challenges facing our world and the importance of providing recycling facilities. It was also recognized that the site is constantly monitored and well managed.

52.18 Parking License Agreement – Car Park Adjoining the Shepherds Inn.

It was reported that an issue had arisen over the number of vehicles, from Nobles Garage, which were parking on the car park, adjoining the Shepherds Inn. The proprietor of the Shepherds Inn being concerned that this was causing, on busy days, his trade being turned away due to the inability to park.

It was confirmed that a legally drawn up, license agreement, drawn up on the 13th February 2012, was in place, between the Parish Council and the owners of the Shepherds Inn, permitting this car park, in its entirety, to be used for the benefit of patrons of the Inn; with conditions.

Following local investigation, it was reported that traditionally, going back many decades, it had been custom and practice for up to four vehicles, from the garage, to be parked on the car park, adjoining the pub, opposite the Garage. In past times a former licensee of the Shepherds Inn had permitted this practice to continue, on payment of a small annual fee. The Garage having no legal right to park vehicles, associated with its business, on the car park.

The current proprietor of the Inn had been happy for this practice to continue; however, concerns had been raised when a greater number than this, appeared to be parked on the site.

The Parish Council, being mindful of the interests of these two, very busy and successful village businesses, wished to attempt to resolve the problem to the mutual benefit of both businesses.

As a consequence, and in order to attempt to resolve the matter amicably, following the taking of legal advice, and with the agreement of the current proprietor of the Inn, a simple draft agreement was drawn up between the Parish Council and Nobles Garage, permitting the garage to park up to 4 garage vehicles on the car park, with no charge, during the working week, thus formalizing the historical practice; an offer which was considered in beneficial to both the Garage and the Shepherds Inn.

It is with regret to have to report that following a meeting between the Chairman, the Parish Clerk and the proprietor of Nobles garage, this goodwill gesture was rejected.

Action:- . It was agreed to continue to monitor the situation, whilst keeping the agreement on file, should Nobles Garage decide to reconsider its position

53 Langwathby School Bus Passenger Assistants (Chaperones) A

No reply had been received from Cumbria County Council regarding the proposal to suspend the Chaperones on the two school bus routes into Langwathby School. It was reported that the decision had been referred back to the Transport Portfolio holder for reconsideration. The final outcome, apparently, being heavily influenced by budget restraints.

54 Correspondence**Planning Committee Meeting Attendance.**

It was reported that Kevin Hutchinson, EDC Principal Planning Policy Manager, had written to Parish Councils requesting that where a Parish Council had objected to a planning application, resulting in it going to the Planning Committee for a decision, a Parish Council representative should attend the meeting to explain the reasons and to answer questions on the objection. The point was noted.

55 Councillor Matters

55.1 A Councillor raised the issue of the poor broadband speeds experienced in Edenhall Village of between only 8 – 18 megs., which was having a very negative effect on the ability of businesses to operate effectively and efficiently.

Action:- The current situation would be researched and reported back to the 12th September meeting of the Council.

55.2 Seat by Langwathby Bridge - It was reported that this seat in in need of repair. It has on it an engraved plaque in memory of Walter Howe.

Action:- Agreed to have a new plaque made to be attached to the seat near to the notice board and to investigate as to whether the seat was repairable or needed replacing.

55.3 Static Caravan – Inglebeck, Edenhall

Concern was raised whether planning permission had been sought for a static caravan, parked in the garden of 'Inglebeck', Edenhall.

Action:- The matter to be raised with the Planning Department.

(Subsequent to this meeting EDC Planning Dept has confirmed that the siting of this static caravan is not deemed development and therefore is not a breach of planning control; furthermore the owners have confirmed that the caravan is being used as additional, ancillary accommodation to the main house, which is a lawful use of the residential land upon which the caravan is sited and again not a breach of planning control.)

56 Dates of future meetings

Venues Langwathby Village Hall - back room. commencing at 7.30pm

Thursday 12th September 2019

Thursday 14th November 2019

Thursday 16th January 2020

Meeting closed: 9.10pm

Signed _____

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