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Minutes of the 'Electronic' Meeting Held on Thursday 19th March 2020

Unapproved.

Electronic Attendees

Cllrs: Mr. I Harrington, (Chairman), Mr. T Anderson, Mr. D Banks, Mr. J Corbishley, Mr. C Eland, Miss. K Little, Mrs. C Merrie, Mr. M Holliday, Mr. C Wilson and Mr. J Fleming (Clerk)

I confirm that all the above persons have responded to me confirming their decisions and comments relating to the Agenda.



Parish Clerk.

14/20 Minutes

The Chairman was unanimously authorised to sign the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Thursday 16th January 2020, as a true record
Proposed by Cllr I Harrington
Seconded by Cllr K Little

The Chairman was unanimously authorised to sign the minutes of the Extraordinary meeting of the Parish Council held on Thursday 27th February 2020, as a true record
Proposed by Cllr I Harrington
Seconded by Cllr K Little

15/20 Declarations of Interest

Cllrs K Little and I Harrington, declared their positions as Langwathby Village Hall Committee representatives and Cllrs K Little and D Banks as members of the Langwathby Playground Sub-committee.

16/20 First Responders Recruitment in Langwathby – An E-mailed presentation by Alison Smith, Secretary of the Hartside Team

I wanted to talk to you about Community First Responders.

You probably think that Langwathby is pretty well served in the event of a medical emergency. You have two public access defibrillators and Penrith ambulance station is only 5 minutes away. The problem is that there isn't always an ambulance at Penrith waiting for your call and – great though it is to have access to a defibrillator – it can be daunting to have to use one for the first time in an emergency.

Community First Responders are volunteers called out by NWS – the North West Ambulance Service. We have had extensive training (initially on line then followed by a 4-day course) covering a number of topics. Our main life-saving role is to administer CPR and to apply the defibrillator following a cardiac arrest, but we may be called out for all sorts of health issues to fill in until the ambulance can arrive.

I know that initially Langwathby was at the forefront of the establishment of First Responder groups in Cumbria. I don't know why the group ceased operating, but inevitably this happens if new people don't join in.

The Hartside CFR group of which I am a member went active in 2011. The Lazonby group was formed a little earlier. Since 2015 we have covered Langwathby between us. This still means, for most of us, a travel time of at least 10 minutes.

Time matters.

Cardiac arrest is when the heart stops pumping blood around the body. When someone has a cardiac arrest, the earlier they are defibrillated the better their chance of survival. For every minute that passes without defibrillation chances of survival decrease by 7 – 10%. Research shows that applying a controlled shock within five minutes of collapse provides the best possible chances of survival (British Heart Foundation)

It has been my privilege to be part of a team that brought someone round following a cardiac arrest.

Last year, 2019, out of 48 call-outs we received, 26 related to Langwathby. They aren't all cardiac arrests – which actually are quite infrequent – but in each of those cases somebody in your community needed the support which First Responders can give.

We don't attend all call-outs – we can't! We are volunteers and there aren't very many of us.

We need more. I'm not necessarily asking you, as a Parish Councillor, to become a First Responder. What I am asking is that you start a conversation with those around you about whether they could become a volunteer or can think of someone else who can.

First Responders have a very valuable role to play in the community. We don't very often save a life, but the look of relief on the patient's or relatives' face when you arrive with your ID badge, jacket and bag, is a massive reward.

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17/20 Public Participation

17.1 No members of the public have raised any points or issue with the Clerk by noon 19th March 2020, as requested in the publicised agenda.

17.2 County Councillors Report –

A detailed, monthly County Councillor report, can be found on the website www.langwathby.org

18/20 Parish Playgrounds. – To discuss and to agree a final proposal

Detailed revised plans and costings being circulated to Councilors with the agenda.

The following information was given to Councilors, which incorporated the views of Councilors, expressed at the Extraordinary meeting held on the 27th February and in addition, the agreement reached with the Playground Subcommittee at an informal meeting with the Chairman, Vice Chairman, Clerk and 3 members of the Subcommittee (PLAY) on the 9th March: -

A revised plan and quotation, for the propose upgraded playground facilities at Langwathby and Edenhall,

- 1) The original plan, as put to the Extraordinary meeting of the 27th February, being modified as follows: -
- 2) The 'Twin Tower + Spider Climbing' be retained.
- 3) The existing roundabout also be retained but the 'Climbing Frame' be deleted from the proposal, to facilitate the roundabout's retention.
- 4) A 'Carousel' roundabout be installed at Edenhall as part of the project.

Action: - The above plan and quotation were unanimously approved.

Proposed by Cllr I Harrington.

Seconded by Cllr D Banks

19/20 Planning Matters**19/0829 – Fernwood. Edenhall – Creation of new access**

A report on EDC Planning Meeting – 19/3/20

Cllr J Corbishley attended the EDC Planning committee meeting at 9.30am on Thursday 19th March 2020, to present the views of the Council, on this application as stated below: -

The proposed new entrance is located on a busy, fast and dangerous section of the A686, nearly opposite the turn off to Edenhall.

The junction to Edenhall is already a major road safety hazard, this new access would greatly aggravate the situation.

Vehicles traveling from Penrith and wishing to turn right, off the A686 to Edenhall, whilst indicating their intention, find vehicles, coming from behind, seeing a clear stretch of road before them, overtaking them as they turn right, oblivious to their signaling.

There have been many 'near misses' and residents of Edenhall have raised this safety issue a number of times with the Parish Council, over many years. The Parish Council have, as a consequence, raised this matter with CC Highways Department on a number of occasions, without any action being taken, the granting of this proposed new access will aggravate the problem.

The Parish Council strongly urges that the double white lines be extended from 'Whins Pond' to past the Edenhall junction to alleviate the problem.

Notes from the Planning meeting of 19th March 2020:

The Eden District Council planning officers presented the application and made a strong case of the Highways assessment, which was focused on the good visibility from the proposed junction; the recommendation being to approve the planning application.

Cllr J Corbishley, then presented the above written submission, and emphasized the safety issues of the Edenhall junction, making the point that the straight road actually increases the risk. Whilst the points made by the Parish Council were accepted by the committee, the point was made that Eden District Councilors do not have any delegated authority to overrule the Highways report. For this reason, the Council committee approved the application; however, the Vice Chair of the Planning Committee requested that the Planning officers write to Cumbria County Council Highways requesting a safety assessment is undertaken following the points the Parish Council had made. Cllr Corbishley suggested that motor cyclists and pedal cyclists using the **c2c** route also contributed to the vehicles overtaking on the straight road, as vehicles slow to turn right.

'Place Town Planning' consultants representing the application provided the planning committee with more detailed information relating to flooding and the improved drainage which will be installed as part of the work in an attempt to improve the flooding.

In conclusion the application was approved but contact will be made with Cumbria County Council Highways, recommending a safety inspection is undertaken of the junction.

20/20 Finance (Incl. Vat) -**as at 12/3/2020****20.1 To Note the Following Balances:**

	£
Barclays	3257.20
Sundry Debtor - VAT	94.59
Sundry Debtor – Village Hall	<u>522.14</u>
Total Assets	11389.83

20.2 The Following Accounts were Ratified

Clerks Fee January/February	476.00
Clerk Broad Band - Tel January/February	30.00
Cleanspec VH	4.03
Norris Fisher – Insurance	1770.96
Opus Energy VH	94.63

Opus Energy VH	109.82
Opus Energy VH	102.93
Field View Electrical – V H	55.78
Field View Electrical – VH	97.18
Field View Electrical – VH	48.00
PWLB – Village Hall Loan	3726.04
Andrew Richardson – Doors VH (Part Payment)	1112.45
Cleanspec – VH	19.80
Carrs Billington – Oil VH	369.56
Carrs Billington – Oil VH	492.98
Hunsonby Swimming Pool Donation	250.00
PPL PRS Music License VH	174.31

20.3 The Following Payments Were Agreed

Clerks Expenses 16/1/20 – 19/3/20	60.50
Internal Audit	90.00
Proposed by Cllr D Banks	
Seconded by Cllr I Harrington	
Unanimously agreed.	

20.4 The Following receipts were noted.

Recycling Income	562.68
Village Hall Refund	779.15
VAT Refund	2325.68
Walkers Funeral Directors – Cemetery Fee	150.00
Cemetery Plot 155 reservation	50.00

20.5 To Note Any Transfers - There were none

20.6 An Interim Set of Accounts Was Presented To Councillors.

These were unanimously accepted.
Proposed by Cllr I Harrington. Seconded by Cllr D Banks.

21/20 Highways and Land Matters

21.1 Langwathby Bridge – Cyclist Signs and Road Marking Issues

It was reported that a new cycle lane had been installed from the Toll Bar to the Bridge, with revised signage at Bridge, directing cyclists onto the footpath across Bridge. There was then new signage instructing cyclist to rejoin carriageway when leaving Bridge. A question was raised as to whether there needs to be signage westbound, directing cyclists to the Bridge footpath; however, this would require them to cross over the carriageway. An observation was made questioning whether such westbound signage is necessary. Traveling westbound is downhill and most competent cyclist have ample time to traverse the Bridge, on the road carriageway with no problem. Highways had addressed the issue raised, previously, by the Council and the signage for cyclist was now much improved.

It was suggested that further points raised by a Parishioner be addressed by a meeting to be arranged with Highways, once Covid – 19 restrictions are lifted.

21.2 Cemetery Gravel – This task is in hand.

21.3 Dolphenby Crossroad Road Markings – In hand with Highways.

21.4 Willie Mousey Seats. – Installation at the Sports Ground is in hand.

21.5 Walter Howe Seat – Tree Pruning To Open Up The View Over The River.

It had been suggested that the Walter Howe seat is not installed until the tree pruning issue, between the road and the river, to open up the view, is resolved, as this may determine which way round the seat is installed.

Action: - To approach the land owner, Cumbria County Council, to ask if they could open up the view by pruning some trees, if this was not possible, give the Parish Council permission to engage a contractor to undertake the work'

To obtain a price from a local arboriculturist to undertake the work, for the future consideration of the Council.

21.6 Western Edenhall Junction – The request for an extension of the double white lines from Whins Pond entrance to the Edenhall junction was considered under Item 18/20.

21.7 BT Openreach - Request For Pole - Center of Village Green by the layby.
It was reported that following an approach by BT Openreach to install a pole in the middle of the Village Green, by the layby, to carry fibre cables to the new Langwathby Hall housing development, the Chairman had made an executive decision to refused BT Openreach permission, as it was Parish Council policy for all above ground services to go around the periphery of the Village Green. The Clerk informed BT Openreach accordingly.

BT have since re-routed cabling around the periphery of green, as requested.

21.8 Leylandii Hedge Overhanging Pavement – Opposite Village Hall

Reported that an enforcement order was in the hands of Cumbria County Council's Legal Department

22/20 Councillor Matters

20.1 Moles are Active in the Cemetery. - Reported

20.2 Green Van is Permanently Parked on the Layby. - Reported

20.3 Green Lane – Robinhood Lane – Reported that water is emerging from a drain which is breaking up the lane surface.

23/20 Correspondence

21.1 Hunsonby Swimming Pool Donation – A letter of thanks had been received.

21.2 Great Cumbrian Litter Pick – 20 – 21st March. - Reported cancelled.

24/20 Arrangements for Annual Parish Meeting – 14th May 2020

Due to the Government Covid – 19 restrictions it was decided postponed this Annual Parish meeting until later in the year, following the lifting of restrictions.

25/20 Dates of Forthcoming Meetings 2020

19th March, 14th May Annual Parish Meeting followed by AGM

16th July 2020, 10th September, 12th November

Due to the Covid – 19 Virus restrictions, all the above meetings, in the Village Hall, are cancelled, with Council business being conducted electronically, by E mail, until further notice.

Signed: - _____

Date: - _____

All minutes that are approved in the interim, by a future 'Electronic' meeting, will be formally ratified at the first normal sitting of the Council, at a future date, following the removal of Covid – 19 restrictions.