

LANGWATHBY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on 8th March 2012

Present:

Mr W F Mounsey, Mr W H Benn, Mr I S Harrington, Mr J M Holliday, Mr P M Jackson, Mr G C Little, Mrs C Merrie, Mr S J Peet, Mrs J Anderson

383 Apologies for absence: Apologies were received from Mr D Banks.

384 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 19th January 2012 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

385 Update reports

1. **Potholes from the Church, along Salkeld Road upto the railway bridge** – work carried out.
2. **Replacement grit bin at Edenhall** – grit bin sited at West Lodge, Edenhall, to be re-sited at the bends, Edenhall, by Mr I S Harrington and Mr W H Benn.
3. **Creation of car parking area for users of the CDC** – to be discussed at the next School Governors meeting to be held 21 March 2012.
4. **License for use of car park** – license has been renewed.
5. **Faulty street lighting, Langwathby, (Nos. 26 & 27 by Village Hall)** – work not yet carried out.
6. **Junction of the U3063 and A686 at Edenhall** – Members considered the proposal to improve visibility at the junction and agreed the proposed work would not be adequate. Clerk to arrange a further site meeting with the Traffic Management Officer.
7. **Replacement Bridge, Langwathby** – Highways Department are to consider submitting this as an Eden Scheme for Principal Transport Infrastructure Scheme funding.
8. **Creation of Car Park for CDC users** – to be discussed at the next Governors Meeting to be held on 21st March 2012.

386 Property Inspections

Members undertook property inspections to check for safety or maintenance needs and reported back:

Issues arising:

Langwathby Centre:

Goal posts require repainting

Langwathby North:

Cemetery – clippings from bushes to be removed
Seat in poor condition

Actions:

Nigel Preston be requested to paint before May Day

Mr S Peet to remove
Mr Jackson to resolve

Langwathby South:

War memorial requires cleaning
Seat by noticeboard requires varnishing

Quotes for cleaning

Edenhall:

Swing seats showing some signs of deterioration but deemed safe
Seat on School Green requires painting
Seat by War memorial 1 broken bar and requires repainting
War memorial requires cleaning
Bus shelter – broken seat support
Lady's Walk seat – requires re-siting

Quotes for cleaning

Mr W Benn to re-site

387 Tennis Court

Following some initial discussions about holding a village tennis tournament/competition, Members agreed that the Clerk would advertise the proposal and ascertain interest.

388 Jubilee Beacon

Arrangements for the Jubilee Celebrations were discussed. Mr S Peet to construct and site the Jubilee Beacon on land at the former Eden Ostrich World. The exact lighting time will be issued on 2 May 2012. A sub-committee was formed to arrange a community celebration. Members include Mrs C Merrie, Mrs J Anderson, Mrs S Fairlamb, Mr W Benn, Mr M Holliday and representatives from the WI. First meeting to be held 26th March 2012 at 7.30 pm in the Back Room. Clerk to invite interest.

389 Application for Grants

1. **The Memo:** In view of cost increases the Council decided to increase its grant to £220.
2. **May Day Committee:** Members decided to invite a representative of the May Day Committee to discuss the request for a contribution at the next meeting.

390 Finance

1. Balances

To note the following balances:

Current a/c	£1,625.89
Penrith Building Society	£10,027.37
VAT to be recovered	£51.17

2. Accounts to be ratified

To ratify the following accounts:

PRS for Music, licence for Village Hall	£117.57 plus VAT
E.ON, electricity for Village Hall	£286.47 plus VAT
Chubb Fire, fire equipment and servicing at V.Hall	£66.72 plus VAT

3. Accounts to be paid

To approve payment of the following accounts:

Public Works Loan Board, loan repayment	£3,726.04
G.C.Anderson – domain renewal & hosting costs	£98.85
Scottish Fuels	£558.60 plus VAT
ETB Services Ltd	£83.33 plus VAT
Clerks Quarterly salary Jan – Mar	£550

4. Receipts

To note receipt of the following sums:

Village Hall Committee reimbursement	£1,112.69
Recycling Credits (Oct – Dec)	£283.19
Scarecrow Festival Committee (reimbursement for sharing domain & hosting costs)	£35.93
VAT returns	£339.85

5. **Risk Assessment:** Council approved the Risk Assessment subject to an inspection of the trees on the village green being inspected by a tree surgeon and remedial action taken on advice given. And an inspection of the playground area/equipment by an engineer and maintained as recommended.
6. **Annual Review of Internal Audit Arrangements:** Mrs Sandra Harrison has agreed to carry out the Council's internal audit.
7. **Insurance:** Clerk to test the market for insurance renewal.

391 Planning

Variation of condition 2 attached to planning approval 11/0569 Langwood Barn, Langwathby – no objections

392 Correspondence

1. **Eden District Council:** Members considered priorities for the 2012/13 Scrutiny Work Plan.
2. **Lazonby Parish Council:** Members considered an invitation by Lazonby Parish Council to work together to form a joint Neighbourhood Development Plan and agreed to review this again in 12 months time following completion and implementation of the Localism Act.
3. **Other Matters:** Members also noted items in the Eden Neighbourhood Policing Team newsletter, Cumbria Warm Homes Project – Winter Warmth Fund, Cumbria Rural Forum Seminar, West Cumbria Managing Radioactive Waste Safely Partnership and letter of thanks from Fellrunner.

393 Local Concerns

1. Mrs C Merrie requested the use of the village green for May Day – approved.
2. Concern over condition of Bridleway and tree on the boundary. Clerk to contact Cumbria County Council to establish responsibility for maintenance and ownership of the tree.
3. Members agreed to the WI's request for permission to site a seat on the green in front of Crossfell View to mark the Diamond Jubilee.
4. Clerk to contact Eden District Council regarding availability of grant money to maintain and operate public conveniences.
5. Concern over size and proximity to the boundary of a garden shed erected at the Meadows. Clerk to liaise with Eden District Council Planning Dept.
6. Concern over the condition of verge on the village green. Mr Little to organize delivery of hardcore, use of vibrator roller and top soil and put right.
7. Damaged chevron sign at the Luham corner to be reported to appropriate authority.
8. Concern over lorries parking and causing congestion early morning, evenings and weekends at the Edenhall Brickworks entrance. To be reported to appropriate authorities.

9. Concern over pallet store signs along A686 on the approach to Edenhall Brickworks. To be reported to appropriate authority.
10. Concern over frequent power cut causing nuisance to local businesses. To be reported to United Utilities.

394 Annual Parish Meeting

Arrangements for the Annual Parish Meeting to be held 3rd May 2012 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall agreed. Simon Yates to be invited to speak at the meeting. Other idea put forward – Sustrand to include such topics as the C2C.

395 Next Parish Council Meeting: The Annual Parish Meeting of the Council will be held on Thursday, 3rd May 2012, in the Village Hall (Back Room) at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed at 9.30 pm.