

# Minutes of the Meeting of Crosthwaite and Lyth Parish Council held on 18<sup>th</sup> June 2009

**PRESENT:** Mr M L Dobson (Chair), Mr D T Dobson., Mr M J Dobson, Mr C. Smith Ms M Harkness,

**In Attendance :** Mr G Pitt (Clerk). Cllr J Bland (CCC)

- 1. APOLOGIES:** Cllr R Ballantyne-Smith(SLDC) Mr M Casson, Mr J Bownass,
- 2. MINUTES** of the meeting held on 21st May 2009 (already circulated) were approved and signed.
- 3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES (not covered elsewhere in this agenda)**  
**re: Cross Howe:** Letter circulated – no other response

**re: Fires at Mirk Howe:** Helpful response received from Mr Rose – no further action required.

## **4. PARISH PLAN – PROGRESS REPORTS**

**4.1 Housing** Following the interview with LDNPA and CALC, M Harkness had received a letter from the CE of LDNPA apologising for the problems with tackling our housing needs. (i.e. Delays in delivering the HNS). She would be contacted by Dave McGowan in the near future to set up a meeting with Clive Wicham and a community planner to take things forward”. It was agreed that MH would propose an open meeting in the village in September or October. There was still a need to complete the analysis of parish specific questions in time to append to the HNS. **Action: MH/GP**

**4.2 Community Events:** No further action.

**4.3 Employment and Business:** No further action. .

**4.4 Roads and Traffic:** Clerk had written re state of A5074 – positive response from Cumbria Highways; and resurfacing work had been carried out on the section S of Low Farm. It was noted that signs had just appeared closing the road through the village for up to 4 weeks, without any advance notice or reason given. Clerk to establish the facts. **Action: Clerk**

**4.5 Community Web site;** Still growing with more content and contributors.

**4.6 First Responders:** Team now live; their first call out had been received and acted upon...

**4.7 Finances/Funding** The Clerk reported on a letter received from VAC asking for a refund of £748 from the original grant of £2000. Clerk commented that he believed that there was no justification for this action and had responded stating the PC had satisfied all the criteria and querying the basis for the claim.

## **5. Governance**

### **5.1 SL Strategic Partnership – Locality Working - Consultation document:**

The Clerk had forwarded the revised draft case for a Two Valleys LAP to SL Strategic Partnership to be considered with other responses to the consultation document. (see also initial discussions in cabinet re responses)

**5.2 Twinning (with La Pomarede, France):** A draft charter and programme had been received from La Pomarede – it was clear that they were keen to make progress. J Bownass reported on his preparation of video material to take with him on his visit to La Pomarede later in July. It was agreed that the best course of action would be to call a public meeting after JB’s visit and, given sufficient support, set up a working party to get things moving. In the meantime the Clerk should respond to La Pomarede explaining the current situation. **Action: JB, Clerk**

**5.3 LNPA Parish Charter:**

M Harkness and G Pitt had met with Bob Sutcliffe (LDNPA) and Bryant (CALC) at Murley Moss to discuss the PC's response to the most recent round of consultation. Responses from LDNPA include proposed meeting (MH with CE)

## 6. OTHER CORRESPONDENCE

### 6.1 CCC Minerals and Waste Development Framework – policies and proposals site allocations

Detailed proposals for comment (by 6<sup>th</sup> July) leading to preferred options for consultation in October. Noted and circulated.

**6.2 SLDC BT Phone Box changes:** Box at Sampool to be reduced to non cash. Noted.

**6.3 SLDC Standards Committee Parish Reps** Invitation for nominations. No volunteers.

### 6.4 SL Strategic Partnership Conference ‘Communities at the heart of health & well being’

No volunteers

**6.5 CALC - Cadet 150 Tree planting project:** Email offering packs of trees to be planted by cadets at no cost to Parish Councils – probably 30 trees per PC. Expression of interest invited by 31<sup>st</sup> July. It was agreed that the Clerk should respond in order to establish what was available although it was unlikely that there was any great need for additional trees on parish land.

## 7. PLANNING MATTERS

Previous issues

7/2209/5178 Agricultural Building at Totterbank; two other objections lodged by locals  
Caravan between A5074 and Gilpin river. Images and query placed with LDNPA for investigation.

New applications

7/2009/5245: Leisure facilities and bedroom at Damson Dene for South Lakes Hotels

No objections in principle but reservations expressed over capacity of water and sewage systems.

7/2009/5258: Conversion of barn and outbuildings at Broad Oak for Mr P Hudson.

No objections in principle but reservations expressed over the siting of the septic tank and the scale of the operation associated with the workshop (including noise)

Clerk would report these reservations to LDNPA development control group.#

## 8 FINANCES (Since last meeting)

<b>Income:</b>	NSI interest (April)	£ 13.89
	Quarry rentals	£ 100.50
<b>Expenditure approved:</b>	G Pitt for Norton service renewal	£ 39.99 (inc VAT)
	Macbeth Scott for insurance (FORTIS)	£ 52.28
	(additional premium for Fidelity Guarantee)	

**Notification of Grants available** from SL Strategic Partnership for community based projects An application would be made to fund the proposed induction loop system for the Memorial Hall.

## 9 MATTERS RAISED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC; None

## 10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS;

John Handley had made an offer to run an Open Garden event in 2010, asking for PC support. It was agreed that PC would support such a proposal as long as Mr Handley did all the necessary organisation.

**Date of next monthly Meeting:** Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July at 7.30 pm.

GP 28<sup>th</sup> June 2009