

Crosthwaite and Lyth Parish Council

Minutes of Crosthwaite and Lyth Parish Council on Tuesday 6th February 2017

1 Apologies for Absence

Jim Bownass sent his apologies

2 Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting on 6th December 2016 were approved as a true and accurate record.

3 Requests for Dispensations

None

4 Declarations of Interest

None

5 Chairman's Announcements

A welcome to Jim Bland and a Thank you to Joanne for her service to the Parish Council.

It has been noted that recycling bins have not been collected due to the wagon not being able to get down the lane because of vans parked on the roadside and verges.

The Chair noted that another litterpick was needed around the village as litter was collecting on the sides.

6 Open Session

Mr Gregg apologised in person along with a previous email for the mess and damage to the lane around Skelcies Cottage due to the vans/work being undertaken there. He offered to put hardcore down for the time being whilst work was still continuing, but as soon as the work was complete would put the soil back and reseed. The PC said they were happy with the proposal and thanked him for keeping the Parish Council informed.

7 County Councillor's Report

Nothing to report as just getting back to work

8 District Councillor's Report

1. Government have now allocated £60m (across Country) to help with the fact that there are many areas particularly in the National Parks where the growth of 2nd homes has rendered the availability of affordable housing to almost zero. Some £2.3m of this fund has been granted to SLDC and is to assist in the encouragement of Community Land Trusts (Brigsteer and Witherslack have these at the moment) Note: Burneside Neighbourhood Plan is seeking plots of land for building houses.

Brigsteer CLT are seeking to form a Lyth Valley CLT. Already have interest from Underbarrow and are seeking other Partners.

2. SLDC has confirmed that the current Local Council Tax Reduction scheme will continue for 2017/18.

3. Some progress is now being made by County on clearing road gullies throughout the area.

4. High Speed Broadband is not available 100% over Crosthwaite & Lyth. I am chasing up BT to cover the High, The Row, The Howe and the "cluster" at the Smithy. There is a further phase due to complete later this year but it will still not be total coverage at the moment. The clerk asked for Pool Bank to be added for chasing.

5. I have submitted a report of the recent meeting of the Joint Highways/PC Meeting held in January.

6. Currently chasing Two Castles (Toby Denney – Housing officer) re external lights on Cross Howe being left on all night. Expecting a response later today the 7th.

7. EA have extended the deadline for shutting down the Lyth Valley Pumps to December 31st 2020 (an 18 month extension) This to allow the methodology of valuing to be agreed with Government and also to do further "modelling" of the Ulpha outfall

8. Indications are that Council Tax will increase this year by just short of 5%

9 Clerk's Report

The parish council received the Dec16/ Jan 17 report – no questions/no comments

10 PCSO report

No PCSO present but they sent an email saying no incidents.

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11 Planning

11.1 New Applications

7/2017/5015 High Yews, Crosthwaite – No objections but would prefer it was used for local homes not rental purposes

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7/2017/5013 High Yews – No objections subject to a Local Occupancy clause for new dwelling

7/2016/5855 Sanderson Fold, Crosthwaite – No - Objections

7/2016/5894 Greenacre Barn- Removal of timber pegola and external paved area and erection of new sun room.- No objections

7/2017/5047 Tarnside Farm Barn – Not an application of planning –No objections/no comments

11.2 Planning application decisions of LDNPA

7/2016/5639 Land at West View – resubmission- Granted

7/2016/5719 Skelcies Cottage- Granted

7/2016/5778 Tarnside Stables – Certificate of lawful use of development

7/2016/5802 Arndale Cottage, Underbarrow Road – Granted

7/2016/5747 Bell Rake Barn – Refusal

7/2016/5819 Hardriggs Barn – Withdrawn

7/2016/5820 Hardriggs Barn - Withdrawn

12 Finance

12.1 Income & Expenditure 2016/17

The Parish Council approved the following expenditure and approve the latest bank reconciliation statement 408

12.2 Parish Council approved Budget V2 for 2016/2017.

Item	Expenditure £	Income £
JT Wages Dec	185.98	
JT Wages Jan	185.98	
Clerks expenses	29.26	
Roger Smith A590 Joint Parish Highways Safety Group meeting	44.50	
Interest from COIF Charity 51356002T,5135600032T,53949001T,934 4300018		252.20
PAYE Refund		135.20
NSIB Interest		4.93
N Power		14.99

13 LAP Meeting Update

No meeting held

14 Crosthwaite and Lyth Parish Plan questionnaire

Item to be brought back to March meeting when all councillors will have view the Draft Plan.

15 Parish Council Surgery

Concerns were raised that the white line markings from Bowland Bridge to Totterbank have not been marked after new road surface – Clerk to contact CCC.

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- 16 Annual Parish Meeting and Annual General Meeting**
Annual General meeting to be held on Tues 2nd May after the normal Parish meeting in the Parish Room.
Annual Parish meeting to be held on Tues 16th May at 7.30pm in The Memorial Hall- Clerk to book
- 17 Land at Tarnside**
Both parties at Tarnside were happy with boundary issued. Mary Harkness and Robert Sykes went to see land and spoke to Mr&Mrs Johnson and David Labbe. Clerk advised of the response from the charity commission, and that Mr Smith had received that information to pass on to the relevant solicitor.
- 18 Footpaths in Crosthwaite**
Roger Smith and Mary Harkness are taking the lead in trying to get a footpath off the road through the village. A lot of support has been offered and they will continue with the development.
- 19 New Parish Clerk**
Martin French has been offered the appointment of clerk, his references have been taken up and the council are satisfied to his integrity and suitability for the position.
- 20 Ultrafast Broadband**
PC will promote the scheme and place notices up but will not organise a meeting.
- 21 Cross Howe Apartments**
Cllr John Holmes has been in contact with Two Castles regarding the external lights at the apartments that are staying on all night, and has requested they be changed to just PIR detector lighting.
- 22 Correspondence received**
Letter from Mr & Mrs Gregg regarding work undertaken at Skelcies Cottage and the damage to area around the property confirming once the work has been completed this will be dealt with.
- Communications from this meeting**
- 23 The council to agree topics to be communicated via:**

Grateful thanks to Joanne Taylor who is leaving the PC as clerk after 3 years and a warm welcome to the new clerk, Martin French.
Litter Pick – Commencing 1st week of April – Please contact Eve Brooke if you wish to volunteer
Save the Date – Annual Parish Meeting Tuesday 16th May in The Memorial Hall.
- 24 Parish Council Meetings**
The date of the next parish council meeting is in the parish room at 7.30pm
On the 7th March 2017

Joanne Taylor Clerk 11th Feb 17

