

Minutes of Crosthwaite and Lyth Parish Council Meeting
held in the Parish Rooms, Crosthwaite on Tuesday 4th April 2017 at 7.30pm

PRESENT

Cllr Mary Harkness (Chairman) Cllr Bruce Worsley (Vice Chairman)
Cllr Jim Bownass (*) Cllr Evelyn Brookes Cllr Matthew Dobson (*)
Cllr Roger Smith

Invited and present :

Cllr Jim Bland - County Council Representative
Cllr John Holmes - District Council Representative

1. Apologies

Cllr Robert Sykes (away)

2. Declaration of interest

Cllr Mary Harkness 8bii (personal)

3. Dispensations

None requested

4. Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 07 March 2017 has been circulated to all councillors

- The clerk asked to amend item 13a with the addition of 'in principle'
- Item 8bvii was amended to read 'The Council **RESOLVED** to object to the application'

The Council **RESOLVED** to accept both amendments, and the minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting, and then signed by the chairman.

5. Chairman's Announcements

The Chairman thanked Cllr Jim Bownass for standing in as Chairman for the previous meeting when she was unable to attend. The Chairman also thanked Cllr Eve Brookes and all those participating in the litter pick which is ongoing this week

6. Open Session

No public present

7. Reports

- a. County Councillor Jim Bland

He confirmed that he would continue to look at the pothole and drainage issues within the Parish and communicating with the officers concerned. He

said that resolving some of the drainage issues could take some time, similarly with some of the sunken road surfaces.

- b. District Councillor John Holmes
Report circulated
- c. Clerk
He confirmed that he has sent and received e-mails, written agenda and minutes for the March meeting, and had spent some time getting to know the accounting system.
- d. Police, PCSO
Not present and no report sent.

8. Planning

- a. Ongoing
None
- b. New
 - i. 7/2017/5187
Location : The Stables, Tarnside Farm, LA8 8BU
Proposal : Extension and alterations

It was **proposed** that the Council has no objection to this application

The Council **RESOLVED** not to object to this application

- ii. 7/2017/5150
Location : Land at West View, LA8 8HX
Proposal : non material amendment to planning application
7/2016/5639
(Cllr Harkness left the meeting)

This was an information item and no members of the council raised any comments

(Cllr Harkness returned to the meeting)

- iii. 7/2017/5199
Location : Low Foulshaw Farm, Levens, LA8 8ET
Proposal : Erection of replacement egg packing building

After some discussion including showing support for rural business and the importance of jobs in the Parish it was **proposed** (by MH and sec EB) that the Council does not object to this application.

The Council **RESOLVED** not to object to this application.

- c. Decisions

None

9. Finance

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| a. Bank balance to date | £6907.90 | as at 24/03/17 |
| b. Martin French (Wages | £260.37 | (35 hours Feb/March) |
| c. Post Office Counters (HMR&C) | £65.09 | (PAYE) |
| d. Marcus Knipe | £140.00 | Grasscutting |
| e. Mr Dobson | £199.00 | Floor cleaner |
| f. NPower | £40.55 | |
| g. Receipts | | |
| i. NSIB 6/2 | £5.10 | |
| ii. NSIB 6/2 | £4.60 | |
| iii. Coif 28/2 | £38.43 | |
| iv. Coif 28/2 | £8.07 | |
| v. Coif 28/2 | £13.49 | |
| vi. Coif 28/2 | £190.40 | |
| h. It was proposed that above payments are made, and receipts recorded | | |

The Council **RESOLVED** to accept, with the exception of item e, that the above payments should be made and receipts recorded.

10.LAP Meeting update

- a. Cllr Bownass attended meeting on 28 March
Cllr Bownass reported that the meeting was well attended and that there was a presentation from the Helsington Community Land Trust. At the meeting both the School and the Exchange were shown in a good light. There will be a Broadband meeting with BT and BARN in October

Cllr Bownass said that he had received information that a roundabout on the A590/A5074 junction was not on the agenda for Highways in the near future. Cllr Harkness asked that this matter should be on the agenda at the next meeting of the Parish Council.

11.Crosthwaite and Lyth Parish Plan Questionnaire

- a. It was **proposed** to accept the quote for printing the questionnaire and to proceed with distribution, collection, processing of information and producing a review of the current plan

This proposal was rejected.

It was **proposed** that the questionnaire is finalised and printed (within the price of figures quote) by the Chairman, assisted by the Clerk.

The Council **RESOLVED** to accept this proposal

12.Parish Council Surgery

The only issues raised were potholes and drainage

Item 16 was discussed at this point

13.Donation to Great North Air Ambulance

- a. It was **proposed** to donate a sum of £150 to the Great North Air Ambulance

The Council **RESOLVED** to donate a sum of £150 to the Great North Air Ambulance

14.Parish Litter Pick

Cllr Brookes thanked all concerned with the litter pick. Several bags had been filled already and were ready for collection from behind the Memorial Hall. District Cllr John Holmes asked Cllr Brookes to let him know when the bags were ready for collection, and he would contact the required department.

15.Parish Footpaths

- a. Village footpath (off road walkway)
 - i. It was **proposed** that the Council investigate further the provision of an off road walkway in the village

After some discussion and an outline from Cllr Roger Smith regarding the matter the above proposal was put to the Council, whereupon it was **RESOLVED** that a subcommittee should look further into the matter.

- b. Sub-committee (no proposal is required for a sub committee)
 - i. Members
Cllr Roger Smith, Cllr Mary Harkness, Matthew Jessop, Sam Dawson, Martin French (Clerk)
 - ii. Delegated powers
The Subcommittee is permitted to talk with other parties to produce evidence for a draft proposal.
Further powers may be added in the future
 - iii. Strategy
To produce a draft proposal to be put before the Council

16.Contribution to Recreation Field Trust

- a. A request for funding has been received to assist with purchase of a new mower.
Cllr Harkness had received a request for assistance with a new lawn mower costing £4200. After some discussion, and a request for the Field Trust to be an agenda item for the next meeting, the following proposal was made :-

- b. It was **proposed** (prop MH sec MD) to make a contribution of £1000 to the Recreation Field Trust

The Council **RESOLVED** to donate £1000 to Crosthwaite and Lyth Recreational Field Trust

17. Transparency Code

- a. Update from the clerk

The Clerk confirmed that he had provided headings to John Seal (WebMaster) and his work had been circulated to councillors for consideration. The Clerk would proceed with sending date to John to upload.

18. Farmers Flood Group

- a. It was **proposed** that the Council offer their voice in supporting the efforts of the Farmers Flood Group (as requested in e-mail dated 18 March 2017)

The Council **RESOLVED** to support the Farmers Flood Group and that the clerk should contact them accordingly.

19. Correspondence received

None, other than dealt with above.

20. Date of Next Meeting

- a. Parish Council Meeting Tuesday 02 May in Parish Rooms at 7:30pm
- b. Annual Parish Meeting Tuesday 16 May in Argles Memorial Hall start 7pm

..... Cllr Mary Harkness (Chairman) Dated:- 02 May 2017

(*) bank signatories

Parish Web Site : <http://www.crosthwaiteandlyth.co.uk/parishcouncil.html>

Notice boards : Bowland Bridge Old Post Office, Crosthwaite
 Memorial Hall The Smithy
 Lyth Valley Road

Cumbria County Council

(web page address for reporting a fault, including potholes and drainage)

<http://www.cumbria.gov.uk/roads-transport/highways-pavements/reporting-problem-on-highway/WDM/default.asp>

To speed up the reporting of Highway issues anyone can use the above web address to report a fault.