

The Clerk confirmed that he had carried out his normal duties.

8. Planning

a. 7/2018/5506

Cross Howe. Crosthwaite

To consider the decision made by LDNPA

Prior to the meeting a draft letter written by the Chair of Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group, setting out views on 'Windfall Sites' had been circulated to councillors.

It was **proposed** (RSy prop, BW sec) that the letter is sent the Head of LDNPA Planning, with copies and covering letter going to Mike KcKinley (LDNPA Chairman), CALC, and Mark Kidd our LDNPA Parish representative.

The Council **RESOLVED** to accept the proposal and the Clerk was asked to write to those concerned.

- **Action**

- Clerk to write, and send letters

b. 7/2019/5157

Location : Low Foulshaw Farm, Levens, LA8 8ET

Proposal : Approval of details reserved by condition nos 12 and 13 on planning approval ref 7/2017/5199 – surface water discharge and surface drainage system

After some discussion as to providing a knowledgeable response it was **proposed** that the Council has no objection to the application but is not qualified on drainage.

The Council **RESOLVED** to accept the proposal.

- **Action**

- Clerk to inform LDNPA Planning department of the decision.

9. Finance

a. Bank balance at 26 March	£3,400.64	Business account
	£8,475.55	Business Premium Account
b. Martin French (Wages)	£ 165.80	(20 hours)
c. Village Hall	£ 12.00	(1 x NP meeting)
d. Village Hall	£ 16.00	(2 x NP meetings)
e. N Power	£ 50.00	
f. M French (Expenses)	£ 24.23	
g. MJ Knipe	£ 160.00	(Grass cutting)
h. It is proposed that above payments are made, and receipts recorded		

The Council **RESOLVED** to accept this proposal.

- **Action**

- The Clerk to send and record cheques.

i. To approve quote for the Neighbourhood Plan printing costs, an increase from £150 to £200

It was **proposed** that the Council authorise an additional £50 to the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group, making a total budget of £200 for printing the Vision Consultation document.

The Council **RESOLVED** to accept the proposal.

10. Great North Air Ambulance

To consider request for donation

It was **proposed** (RSy prop, MD sec) that the Council donates £150 to the Great North Air Ambulance, and in addition £150 to the North West Air Ambulance.

The Council **RESOLVED** to accept the proposal

- Action
 - The Clerk to draw cheques and send.

11. Steering Group for Neighbourhood Plan – Cllr Robert Sykes

Simon Johnson updated the Council. The Vision consultation document is ready for printing which will be done this week, distributed to all houses, and to be returned by 24 April 2019.

The Council asked that the Steering Group provide a budget to complete the Neighbourhood Plan process with a view to grant applications.

With regard to the vacancy on the Steering Group, the Council and Steering Group asked the Clerk to contact Deborah Lund to see if she is still interested.

- **Action**
 - NPSG to provide a budget to the end of process for the May meeting
 - Clerk to contact Deborah Lund regarding interest in NPSG
 - Clerk to work with NPSG with regard grant applications.

12. Village Walkway – Cllr Roger Smith

Cllr Smith is waiting for a meeting with Highways for further discussion.

13. Litter Pick – Cllr Eve Brookes

Cllr Brookes said that the event was going well with some areas still to be covered.

Cllr Robert Sykes, Chairman, thanked Cllr Brookes for organising the Litter Pick.

14. Risk Assessment

- a. Hubbersty Head and Jubilee Field trees

It was **proposed** that Cllr Roger Smith walks the areas concerned and will provide a report to the Council for the May meeting.

The Council **RESOLVED** to accept the proposal.

- **Action**
 - Cllr Smith to carry out inspection

15. Village speed limit

The Clerk has had no reply from Highways regarding this matter. He was asked to contact Crosthwaite School to update them on what the Council has done to date.

- **Action**
 - Clerk to write

16. Village Lengthsman

Proposal as put by Cllr Harkness as follows :-

Cllr Harkness proposes that the Council recruits a self employed person to clear drains (document circulated)

It was **proposed** that the Council contacts Archie Workman (Freelance Lengthsman) to see what he would charge to train a local person in drain maintenance; and with this in mind to advertise for a local person to take on the work, on a self employed basis for one day per month.

The Council **RESOLVED** to accept the proposal.

- **Action**

- The Clerk to contact Archie Workman
- The Clerk to advertise for a self employed local workman (web site, Gazette, Magazine)
- This item to be on the May Agenda

17. Village Lighting through the night

To consider overnight lighting within the village

Cllr Harkness proposes that the Council ask Castles and Coasts to enable the lights to be turned off at night, or made movement sensitive, to protect dark skies.

It was **proposed** that the Council contacts Coast and Country regarding overnight lighting at Oak Fold, and at the same time contacts the Village Hall, and the School to ask if they would reduce overnight lighting.

The Council **RESOLVED** to accept the proposal.

- **Action**

- The Clerk to write to Coast and Country
- The Clerk to write to the Village Hall committee and the School

18. Pre-submission Local Plan

It was noted that the two sites had been taken off the Local Plan and that the Council will take no further action at this time.

19. Communications

- Donations to two Air Ambulance Charities
- Thanks to Cllr Brookes for organising the Litter Pick
- Overnight lighting within the parish
- Speed limits in the Village
- Please look out for Neighbourhood Plan information

20. Date of Next Meeting – (please note this change of date)

- Parish Council Annual Meeting with Election of Officers Monday 06 May 2019 in Parish Rooms start 7:00pm
- Parish Council Meeting for May Monday 06 May (to follow on from the Annual Meeting)

..... Cllr Robert Sykes (Chairman)

Dated:- 06 May 2019