

SHAP PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the ORDINARY MEETING, Monday 2nd October 2017 at 7.30p.m Venue: Market Cross

Attendance:

Chairman:	Mrs J Jackson
Councillors:	Mr A Sowerby, Mr N. Lindwall, Mr A Bindloss, Mr W. Jones, Ms E. Stirling & Ms L Millican.
County Councillor:	Mr N. Hughes
District Councillor:	Mr J. Owen
Police	None
Clerk	Mrs J. Scott-Smith
Public:	Three

112/10/17 Apologies for absence – Cllr J. Morris

113/10/17 Public participation

- 113.1 Helen Sale for the Allotments group addressed the meeting.
- 113.2 She explained that the group had presented a notice of interest to Council immediately prior to the last meeting.
- 113.3 The Chairman and Mrs Janet Wood had met with Mrs Sale and one other member of the group.
- 113.4 The official Allotments Act of 1906 states that if six people show interest in having allotments the Parish Council is obliged to take steps to find land to provide the facility.
- 113.5 Twelve people had shown interest and ten had returned forms.
- 113.6 Mrs Sale stressed that the group had no intention of taking land used for sports such as the Memorial Park.
- 113.7 The minimum area required is 10 rods (old measurement) this equates to a little less than an acre.
- 113.8 A notice has been placed in Shap Today, asking whether anyone had land that would suit the purpose.
- 113.9 An email had been received for the Old Courthouse CIO, Mrs Wood saying that a feasibility study was being carried out on the land owned by them situated at the rear; but this was in the long term, and they could offer no assistance at this time.

114/10/17 Co-option of new Councillor.

- 114.1 The Chairman welcomed Ms Millican, who has agreed to become a Parish Councillor.
- 114.2 She was formally co-opted to council as a councillor for Shap Ward.
- 114.3 Cllr Millican signed her Declaration of Acceptance of Office and was given her Register of Interests form to complete, she was handed a Welcome pack containing code of conduct, policies and other documents.

115/10/17 The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of 4th September 2017 were signed as a true and accurate record.

116/10/17 Requests for dispensation – None

117/10/17 Declarations of interest – None.

118/10/17 Finance

- 118.1 Council RESOLVED to approve the statement of accounts to 30th September 2017. *Proposed Cllr Sowerby, seconded Cllr. Lindwall.*

118.2	Payments received		£0.00
		Total	
			£0.00
118.3	Payments between meetings British Gas, MuGA electricity by DD		£73.74
		Total	£73.74
118.4	Council RESOLVED to authorise payment of the following accounts:		
	Clerk's Salary September 2017		£310.89
	Clerk expenses September		£31.54
	Reimbursement to Clerk for gas cylinder		£39.95
	Recycling cleaning September		£57.60
	Shap Local History Society, rent Market Cross		£600.00
		Total	£1,039.98
	<i>Proposed Cllr Lindwall, seconded Cllr Bindloss</i>		
118.5	The Clerk informed Council that the Annual Audit papers had now been returned, responses to all issues raised had been satisfactory. Chairman thanked the Clerk on behalf of Parish Councillors on the successful completion of the Audit submission.		
118.6	The Clerk requested that a cheque be raised to pay the Audit fee in the sum of £240.00, and this will show as a payment between meetings on the next Agenda.		
119/10/17	Planning applications		
119.1	None received this month.		
120/10/17	Highways.		
120.1	The Clerk reported on issues raised at the September meeting and reported on responses.		
120.2	She reported that lining works had been completed.		
120.3	Notice of a road closure in sandy lane between Church Terrace rear and the Wreay for water pipe laying commencing 12 th October for 5 days.		
120.4	The Clerk reported on planned works at the Toll Bar and had a map showing the locations of new signage and road markings.		
121/10/17	Devolution of Services		
121.1	The Chairman reminded Councillors that there was to be a meeting to discuss the Devolution of Services the following Monday 9 th October.		
122/10/17	Swimming Pool		
122.1	Cllr Morris had emailed a brief update saying that tenders were out and due back on 13 th October.		
123/10/17	Emergency Plans		
123.1	The chairman reported on the meeting held with ACT on 11 th September.		
123.2	A notice has been placed in Shap Today and emergency planning leaflets had been inserted in each copy for distribution.		
124/10/17	Allotments		
124.1	Council discussed the issue of providing allotments, and the general feeling was that obtaining the land needed would be difficult but would await outcome of any results from Shap Today		
125/10/17	Hardendale issues		
125.1	The clerk had written to Eden District Council and the Lead Officer historic Environment and commons at Cumbria County Council.		
125.2	The responses from both bodies were read.		
126/10/17	Budget meeting		
126.1	The Clerk requested that a date be set for a budget meeting.		
126.2	This will be held on Tuesday 17 th October at 7p.m.		
127/10/17	Correspondence		

127.1 None received this month.

128/10/17 Matters for report

- 128.1 Cllr Hughes reported that the 106 bus service were hoping to revert to Wednesday from Thursday from February.
- 128.2 Cllr Hughes also reported on waste management plans.
- 128.3 Cllr Bindloss reported that gutters near High Buildings are still overflowing, this is in part due to resurfacing that is holding the water back on the Bampton side.
- 128.4 Cllr Owen reported on the layby near the Greyhound that is used by HGVs as overnight parking. There is a lot of rubbish including bottles containing urine. Recently a vehicle pulled across the road and tore up the verge on the opposite side.
- 128.5 The Chairman said that it was a designated lay-by and that Cumbria County Council be approached about stopping overnight parking.
- 128.6 Cllr Owen also reported on the new project in Eden that he is involved in, this aims to bring new businesses into the area and build new houses.
- 128.7 Cllr Owen expressed his concerns about the Devolution of Services and the pressures being placed on local councils to take on heavy financial burdens.
- 128.8 Cllr Sowerby reported that some of the white lines had not been re painted.
- 128.9 Cllr Sowerby also reported that the drains on the Crosby Ravensworth road over the railway needed clearing; he also reported a blocked drain opposite Fothergill House, one in Foster Street and broken manhole to the rear of Prospect House.
- 128.10 It was felt that all drains need checking.
Cllr Sowerby asked if a meeting had been arranged with Scotmid regarding parking at the store. The Chairman said that nothing had been arranged yet, but the matter is important.
- 128.11 Cllr Mallinson reported that the doors on the sports pavilion were rotting, these were only replaced in 2014.
- 128.12 Cllr Lindwall asked if the Clerk had heard anything back from Daniel Evans regarding speed issues raised at the meeting with him.
- 128.13 The Clerk said that there had been no response, but she would make contact with him.
- 128.14 Cllr Lindwall said that he had read that there was to be a visit by the Police and Crime Commissioner at Shap Memorial hall on 26th October, but appointments needed to be made.
- 128.15 Cllr Millican reported issues regarding parking on Croft Avenue and Gayle Avenue, where cars were parked opposite one another making the road too narrow to get through, and she was concerned about emergency services being affected.
- 128.16 It was suggested that the Police be informed.
- 128.17 The Chairman said that the problem with cars parked outside God's Promise seems to have been addressed; she had spoken to the manager of the hotel that owns the property. The Clerk said that she had written to Eden District Council regarding the situation at God's Promise and its change of use. No response to date.
- 129/10/17 Date of next meeting the** next meeting of Council will be on Monday **6th November** at 7:30p.m.

The meeting closed at 9.15 p.m.