

SHAP PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting
Monday 1st October 2012 at 7.30 pm
Venue: Market Cross**

Attendance:

Chairman:	Mrs J Jackson
Councillors:	Mr A. Bindloss, Mrs C. A Bindloss, Mr D Mallinson, Mr W. Jones, Mr E Hodgson, Mr A Sowerby, Mr W Warburg,
District Councillor:	Mr N. Hughes
County Councillor	None
Police	None
Clerk	Mrs J. Scott-Smith
Public:	None

125/10/12 Public Participation. None**126/10/12 Apologies for absence**

126/10/121 Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Newsome.

127/10/12 The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of 10th September 2012 were signed as a true and accurate record.

128/10/12 Declarations of interest. There were no declarations of interest.

129/10/12 Finance

129/10/121 Council RESOLVED to approve the statement of accounts for 30th September Proposed: *Cllr. Sowerby, seconded Cllr Hodgson.*

129/10/122 Payments between meetings

	£0.00
Total	£0.00

129/10/123 Council RESOLVED to authorise payment of the following accounts:

Clerk's Salary September 2012	£267.57
Clerk's expenses	£119.32
Wages - cleaning recycling centre Aug & Sept. [Litter Act 1983, s5; Public Health Act 1987, s144]	£146.45
Total	£533.34

Proposed Cllr. Warburg, seconded Cllr. C. A. Bindloss.

129/10/124 The Clerk advised council that she planned to transfer £16,000 to the investment account.

130/10/12 Planning

130/10/121 **Planning Decision - Application No 12/0628** – Erection of replacement lean-to extension to front elevation – Bridge House, Shap GRANTED.

130/10/122 **Planning Decision - Application No 12/0650** – Creation of access/hardstanding in connection with the refurbishment of existing high voltage overhead electricity transmission lines and supporting towers. Off Lay-by on B6261 Hardendale Fell. **GRANTED**

130/10/123 **Planning decision – Application No 12/0653** Creation of access/hardstanding in connection with the refurbishment of existing high voltage overhead electricity transmission lines and supporting towers. Off 6261 between M6 and A6 north side off road between the M6 and turn off to Orton Village. **GRANTED.**

130/10/124 **Planning decision – Application 12/0654** - Creation of access/hardstanding in connection with the refurbishment of existing high voltage overhead electricity transmission lines and supporting towers. Off B6161 Hardendale Fell – **GRANTED.**

131/10/12 Highways.

131/10/121 Replies had been received regarding matters raised at the last meeting – all are being attended to.

Signed Jean Jackson as a true record)

Date: 5th November 2012

132/10/12 Street Cleaning

- 132/10/121 The Clerk had placed a notice in Shap Today asking residents to keep their frontages clean whilst there is no street cleaning service.
- 132/10/122 Peter Williams is looking after the public toilets on behalf of Enterprise, and had been asked if he would keep the recycling centre tidy for the Parish Council on a temporary basis. This is working well and everything looks in good order.
- 132/10/123 A report had been received about tinfoil being found in the toilets – this may indicate drug activity, and the Clerk will alert the Police.
- 132/10/124 It was felt that the toilets should be locked a little earlier in the evening during the winter months.

133/10/12 Vacancy

- 133/10/121 The Clerk has displayed a notice advising of the vacancy on the notice on the board and also placed an advert in Shap Today.
- 133/10/122 To date there has been three expressions of interest.

134/10/12 MuGA

- 134/10/121 Details from the meeting held on 19th September were read to the meeting.
- 134/10/122 The dates of meetings with suppliers had been circulated to all councillors who are involved.
- 134/10/123 Mrs Warburg had met with a representative of Eden Housing Association regarding access via land at the end of Croft Avenue. An email had been received saying that Eden Housing Association would be prepared to transfer the piece of land to the Parish Council.
- 134/10/124 The Chairman asked councillors whether Shap Parish Council should take this over. Council RESOLVED that they should take over the grassed area at the bottom of Croft Avenue subject to the answers to further enquiries – *Proposed: Cllr Hodgson, seconded: Cllr Sowerby* All were in agreement.
- 134/10/125 Cllr Mallinson said that he would be meeting Construction Design Management. They set up a Health and Safety file and advise on safety issues – the cost of this service will be £350- £500.
- 134/10/126 Mrs Warburg will hold a meeting with the youth at the end of October.

135/10/12 Memorial Park gates

- 135/10/121 Cllr Mallinson had inspected the south pillar and reported that the top three courses would need to be removed and reset.
- 135/10/122 The cost of the work will be included in the budget planning meeting so that the cost can be included in next year's precept.

136/10/12 Play Area.

- 136/10/121 The Clerk reported that the ride on horse had been repaired and reinstated.
- 136/10/122 Cllr Mallinson confirmed that the new picnic bench had now been bolted down.

137/10/12 Recycling

- 137/10/121 Cllr Hughes had made enquiries to Eden District Council about the late payment of credits, and had emailed the response.
- 137/10/122 Cllr Hughes said that there were discussions ongoing about the future of bring sites following the introduction of new bags and boxes. If tonnage drops significantly then centres would be closed, however there are no details at present. The Parish Council will monitor this closely.

138/10/12 Eden Housing Association Inspection.

- 138/10/121 Inspectors had been in Shap on 20th September.
- 138/10/122 The Clerk had advised them of two issues so that they could include them in their visit.
- 138/10/123 The Clerk had actually met the group and indicated the problem with a gate near Wasdale Housing.
- 138/10/124 The problem with parking in Gayle Avenue was inspected and EHA had indicated that the matter was for Eden District Council.

139/10/12 Quarries

- 139/10/121 The date of the next Liaison meeting will be held on Monday 5th November at 10.30a.m. but Councillors will be advised again with the summons letter for the next meeting.

140/10/12 Tourism

- 140/10/121 A detail of the meeting held on 18th September was read by the Chairman.
- 140/10/122 The Chairman asked Council whether they were willing for an application to be made for inclusion on the 'Walkers are Welcome' scheme.
- 140/10/123 Cllr Warburg suggested that further investigation be done about the organisation before proceeding with an application, a further three members indicated this to be a good idea.
- 140/10/124 Cllr Mallinson proposed, seconded: Cllr Sowerby, that an application be completed. Two other Councillors were in favour and four against.

- 140/10/125 As both the number of councillors for and against was equal, the Chairman exercised her casting vote and the resolution was passed.
- 140/10/126 The issue of the signs at the Tollbar is ongoing and replies from Lowther Settled Estates and Cumbria County Council are awaited.

141/10/12 Budget

- 141/10/121 A date was set for the budget meeting. This will be held on Monday 15th October at 7:30p.m.
- 141/10/122 The following Councillors will be involved: Mrs J. Jackson, Mr. W. Warburg, Mr A. Bindloss, Mr D. Mallinson and Mr S. Jones; the Clerk as RFO will also attend.

142/10/12 Correspondence

- 142/10/121 A letter from Shap Cricket Club thanking the Parish Council for the cheque toward the mower repairs.
- 142/10/122 A letter from Mr M Bramley regarding a new building near his home and raising planning issues. The Clerk was asked to write to advise him that this is **not** a Parish Council matter.
- 142/10/123 Letter send by the Parish Council to Cumbria County Council and Reays Coaches about problems with the school transport.
- 142/10/124 Response from Cumbria County Council regarding the last item.
- 142/10/125 Letter sent to Mrs and Mrs Greenhow thanking them for their work keeping the park litter free.
- 142/10/126 Emails from CALC advising changes to Code of Conduct.
- 142/10/127 Letter from Mrs Ashburner confirming that the Pavilion Club will be looking for a grant towards the insurance of the pavilion next year. She also highlighted the cost of the drainage work, and asked whether the Council might be able to assist with this.
- 142/10/128 Email from Mr Stubbs after seeing the article in Shap Today about parking problems. He highlighted other areas for concern. One councillor offer to check on one of the problems and the Clerk will reply and send him copies of the Peggy Nut Croft Survey.

143/10/12 Matters for report

- 143/10/121 Cllr Sowerby reported that he had inspected all the grit bins and will prepare a list for the Clerk, who will then advise Highways.
- 143/10/122 Cllr Sowerby had met with Bob Dow from Cumbria County Council Highways who was inspecting drains at the Greyhound.
- 143/10/123 The problem drain outside Carl Lofts is a matter for Environmental Health.
- 143/10/124 The drains at the junction of the A6 and the slip road and not taking surface water, nor are those further up towards the Orton Road. This will be reported to Highways.
- 143/10/125 Cllr Warburg reported on the EALC meeting where the main topic had been the changes to Code of Conduct.
- 143/10/126 Cllr Warburg has been re-elected as Vice Chairman of the EALC with a seat on CALC executive who had discussed radio active waste storage. This needs further investigation to establish whether there is suitable geology.
- 143/10/127 Broadband – Cllr Warburg reported that BT was the sole remaining tenderer, and had won the contract to supply Cumbria. The EU will have a say on government funding. Shap will need to make a separate bid. There is high speed fibre already going through the village. Further information is required.
- 143/10/128 South Lakeland District Council has dumped all their public toilets on to communities. The business rates at a very high level, about 5% of the rebuilding cost.
- 143/10/129 Cllr A. Bindloss expressed concern at the rash of clothes banks that have appeared in the village. He feels that they are unsightly; however all are sited on private land.
- 143/10/1210 Cllr C A Bindloss asked about the Shap review. The Chairman said that she was dealing with that later in the meeting.
- 143/10/1211 Cllr Jones asked whether the Council should consider a new computer following recent problems. Cllr Warburg said that an update would be required in about 12-18 months time, and the cost of that could be included in budget discussions.
- 143/10/1212 Cllr Hughes reported on Eden District Council's intention to meet all Parish Councils, and that the Executive would be holding a meeting in Shap probably at the beginning of March. He enquired whether anyone knew anything about commercial extraction of ground source heat in the parish; no-one did.
- 143/10/1213 The Chairman asked for a volunteer to lay the Poppy wreath on Remembrance Sunday. Cllr Sowerby said that he was willing to do so.
- 143/10/1214 The Chairman said that she and Cllr Warburg had met with someone from Eden Tree Services at Rosgill green. Lowther Settled Estates have asked them to look to working with Shap Parish Council the residents of Rosgill to look at improving the area. Cllr Warburg agreed to contact the residents to gain their opinions and hopefully get offers of some volunteer work on the area.
- 143/10/1215 It was RESOLVED that the project be moved forward Proposed Cllr Hodgson, seconded Cllr A Bindloss, all approved.
- 143/10/1216 The Chairman together with Cllr Warburg, and representatives of other organisations had met with Cumbria County Council regarding the survey of local public buildings to see if they could be made more efficient and to discuss the pros and cons of each. This discussion is in the very early stages

and is due to convene again later in October. If any changes are to be made the community will be fully consulted before any decisions are made. In the meantime those involved are working in the best interests of the village.

144/10/12 Date of next meeting The next meeting of Council will be held on **Monday 5th November 2012**.

The meeting closed at 10.00 pm.