Holme East Waver Parish Council

DRAFT Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held in the Parish Hall, Newton Arlosh at 7-30 p.m. on Thursday 12th September 2024.

Present: Hodgson (Chair)

Councillors: Hopkinson, Graham and Stockdale,

Cumberland Cllr Markley Public attendance: None.

Clerk: M Abbs

Apologies for absence and declarations of interest.

REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

The clerk to report any requests received since the previous meeting for dispensations to speak and\or vote on any matter where a member has a disclosable pecuniary interest.

No requests were made.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive declarations by elected and co-opted members of interests in respect of items on this agenda.

No declarations were made.

2 Minutes

2.1 To approve the draft minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 11th July 2024 – approved and signed.

3 Report on action taken...

3.1 ...by members of the Council

No matters were reported at this point.

3.2 ...by the clerk

The clerk reminded Cllrs of the recent email from Cumberland Council he had forwarded to them concerning the legal requirement to keep their Declaration of Interests updated and complete new forms if necessary. – **noted.**

The clerk had been contacted by CALC who had reviewed the old website and found it to be in order. They had advised that one document should probably be present and this had subsequently been uploaded. – **noted.**

3.3 **Public participation.** (at the chairman's discretion)

Cumberland Cllr Markley gave his report at this point and commenced by informing members that the Highways Department was in the process of recruiting more staff. In response to a question he advised that some extra money had been following the cancellation of the HS2 project by Central Government. The possibility of a joint mayor for Cumberland and Westmorland was being muted again.

Bus Service provision was being discussed with the main provider again and may be discussed at a full Council meeting next week.

Cllr Hodgson asked if there had been any developments with regard to the Coastal Path project – Cllr Markley was unaware of any movement on this.

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4 Correspondence

To review correspondence received and take any appropriate action.

4.1 Parish Plan: update the information panel and website.

Review and consideration of other listed items.

The clerk advised that the website had been completed and was now operational. He would now check that the required documents were present.

No aerial photographs of the village had been forthcoming and Cllr Graham said he would speak to his contact about this again.

The clerk, despite several attempts, had failed to make progress with regard to the Speed Indicator Device SID installation near the playpark and Cllr Markley was asked to pursue this matter again.

Cllr Markley was thanked for his contribution then left the meeting.

5 New business

5.1 Playground – report on developments since last meeting and current situation.

Update on repair – possible approval of invoice for completed work.

The clerk confirmed that the Inspection had been booked but not yet carried out.

The required repair had been carried out satisfactorily and a recently received invoice totalling £816.00 was approved for payment.

Cllrs were concerned about the length of the grass and the clerk was instructed to request a cut as soon as possible now that the weather had improved. Cllr Graham offered to carry out a cut as an alternative.

This was gratefully approved and it was agreed that any expenses incurred would be re-imbursed.

5.2 Grass cutting situation.

See item 5.1.

5.3 Vacancy - Consideration of any received application(s) to join the Council.

The clerk advised that the recent re-advertising of the vacancy had not resulted in any applications.

5.4 Clerk report on a call from a parishioner he had received concerning the Saltcotes dogs.

The clerk updated Cllrs on the call he had received complaining about the site.

Following discussion, Cllrs **agreed** that the clerk should contact the Authority again to ascertain if any action had been taken since the matter was previously reported.

5.5 Defibrillator update from the clerk.

The clerk advised that an invoice had been forwarded to him from the Community Group for the purchase of replacement materials. However, he had been unable to pay this as it was not addressed to the Council. The Community Group would pay this invoice and the clerk would subsequently contact the Community Heartbeat Trust to ascertain the best way to order future materials and pay subsequent invoices. — **noted and agreed.**

6 Finance

6.1 Information

6.1.1 **To approve accounts** to July 2024 and 31st August 2024 (available at meeting). **examined and approved.**

6.1.2 To note and approve -Allerdale BC – receipt of second Precept payment= £4000

Anticipated amount shown. Clerk will update.

The payment had not yet been received but the clerk would monitor the accounts to ensure it was received.

6.1.3 To note receipt of the VAT repayment £325.20 - noted.

6.1.4 To note receipt from Newton Arlosh Parish Hall of contribution to new website of £500 - noted.

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6.2 To approve the following payments.

- 6.2.1- Clerk: salary (August September) £409.50 approved.
- 6.2.2 Clerk: expenses: phone and broadband £55.02, postage etc. £9.25, mileage 32 miles at 45p /mile £14.40 Total **£78.67** approved.
- 6.2.3 Ministry of Doing website build £1942.50 approved.
- 6.2.4 Kirkbride PC repayment for purchased consumables. £128.59 approved.
- 6.2.5 Arwel paye services. approved.

Amount to be confirmed by the clerk.

The clerk had made a further request for an invoice from the supplier of PAYE services but nothing had been forthcoming. - **noted.**

7 Highways

Local issues needing to be raised.

See item 4.1 concerning the SID request. No other matters were raised.

8 Planning.

8.1 Applications on which Allerdale BC decision is awaited.

None - noted.

8.2 Applications decided by Allerdale BC.

None - noted.

8.3 Applications dealt with under standing order.

None

8.4 Applications to be considered at this meeting.

None - noted.

9.1 Documents received for comment.

None – noted.

9.2 Documents received for information (available on request to clerk)

9.2.1 CALC Circulars.

- noted.

10.1 Any information brought by members of the Council.

No information was given

10.2 Any information brought by Cumberland Councillor

His report had been given earlier.

10.3 Any information from the clerk too late for the agenda.

Information relating to the possible re-introduction of Sea Eagles had been received and circulated.

10.4 Police report

No report had been received.

11 Meeting dates.

11.1 Date of next meeting.

- 11.1 7th November 2024 at 7.30 p.m. in Newton Arlosh Village Hall.
- 11.2 Future date: 9th January 2025 at 7.30p.m. in Newton Arlosh Village Hall.

The dates were noted and the Chair closed the meeting at 8-55pm.