

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Cartmel Fell Parish Council held at Tower Wood Outdoor Education Centre, on Wednesday 3rd May 2023 at 7.30pm.

Present were Councillors Alan Telford (Chairman), Chris Cannon, Matthew Martin, Helen Smith and Mike Smith, Westmorland and Furness Councillors Peter Endorsor and Sue Sanderson, two members of the public and Parish Clerk Kevin Price.

23/10 Election of Chairman:

Councillor Alan Telford was elected Chairman for 2023-24

23/11 Appointment of Vice-Chairman:

Councillor Helen Smith was appointed Vice-Chairman for 2023-24.

23/12 Election of Officers:

The following were elected:

- a. Footpath Group – Councillor Helen Smith
- b. Parish Hall Representative – Councillor Mike Smith
- c. CALC Representative – Councillor Matthew Martin
- d. Highwayman – Councillor Matthew Martin
- e. Cartmel Fell Educational Foundation – no nomination required this year.

23/13 Requests for Dispensations: None.

23/14 Declarations of Interest:

There were no Declarations of Interest made in respect of any matters on the agenda.

23/15 Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting held on 1st February 2023, having been circulated were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

23/16 Finance:

- a. The Interim Accounts for 2022-23 were noted.
- b. *It was resolved to pay the following accounts:*

Zurich Municipal	£144.59	Insurance premium
CALC	£152.64	Annual subscription
K M Price	£126.69	Quarterly expenses to 31 st March, Including use of home office and travel.

- c. The Chairman and Clerk were authorised to sign the Certificate of Exemption, the Annual Governance Statement and the Accounting Statements. All three documents had been circulated to all Councillors.
- d. It was resolved to make a grant of £150 to Cartmel Fell Community Trust, towards the activities planned for the forthcoming Coronation of King Charles III.

23/17 Planning matters:

The following application was considered:

7/2023/5224 Waterside Wood, Newby Bridge Road.

The Council's planning group will examine this and the Clerk will respond under his delegated powers.

There are still outstanding matters awaiting a response from LDNPA and Councillor Martin and the Clerk are following these up. A suggestion was made that it would be helpful if a Planning Officer would attend a future meeting of this Council.

23/18 Defibrillator:

This will be an agenda item for the next meeting, when the ongoing costs will be confirmed.

Earlier this year, Cartmel Fell Community Trust commissioned an independent electrical survey of the Parish Hall, in order to comply with its five yearly compliance requirements. The survey identified a number of issues and it was agreed to send a Letter of Observation, relating to the Installation by Vulcan Electrical Ltd of a new circuit to supply the new defibrillator at the Parish Hall, payment for which was made by the Parish Council to complete this work.

23/19 Windermere Partnership:

Councillors have been kept up to date with any news that has been sent to the Clerk and the Council wishes to have a positive relationship with the Partnership. It was agreed to invite Alison Whalley (EA) to the next meeting.

23/20 Meeting with WAF Highways (gritting and potholes etc):

Councillor Martin reported that a representative from Highways had been out and driven around the parish with him. The lack of grit bins had been noted. Councillor Sanderson said she would follow this up and Councillor Martin agreed to send her a list of locations.

A number of potholes have been repaired but a number of others still require attention.

23/21 Parish Clerk:

It was noted that the Clerk has now completed 40 years in office. The Chairman expressed the thanks of the Council for this long service and presented him with a card and book token on behalf of the Council. The Clerk responded suitably and said it was his hope to continue for some time yet, Cartmel Fell being his first Clerkship, when the late Mrs H V Harrop was Chairman and the salary was £144 per annum.

23/22 Date and place of the next meeting:

Wednesday 23rd August 2023 at 7.30pm at The Parish Hall, Cartmel Fell.

The meeting closed at 8.45pm

Signed:

Dated: