

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Cartmel Fell Parish Council held on Thursday 11th May 2017 at the Parish Hall, Cartmel Fell, at 7.05pm.

Present were Councillors Alan Telford (Chairman), Marian Smith and Mike Smith, two members of the public and Parish Clerk Kevin Price. Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Helen Smith, District Councillor Sue Sanderson and PCSO Debbie Ross.

17/23 Election of Chairman:

Councillor Alan Telford was elected Chairman for 2017-18

17/24 Appointment of Vice-Chairman:

Councillor Helen Smith was appointed Vice-Chairman for 2017-18

17/25 Election of Officers:

The following were elected:

- a. Footpath Group - Councillor Helen Smith.
- b. Parish Hall Representative - Councillor Mike Smith.
- c. CALC Representative - Councillor Alan Telford.
- d. Highwayman - Councillor Mike Smith.
- e. Cartmel Fell Educational Foundation - Councillor Helen Smith.
- f. LAP Representative - Councillor Marian Smith.

17/26 Requests for Dispensations: None.

17/27 Declarations of Interest:

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

17/28 Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting held on 30th March 2017, having been circulated were accepted as a true record and signed by the chairman.

17/29 Council Vacancy:

There had been no expressions of interest received despite it having been advertised again in the Parish Magazine and 'The Westmorland Gazette'. It was agreed to place an advertisement on the notice boards and in other suitable places.

17/30 Reports:

- a. **Police.** The report was emailed after the meeting and then circulated to Councillors.
- b. **County Councillor.** None.

- c. **District Councillor.** Councillor Sanderson had submitted a full report, which will be appended to these minutes on the file and circulated.

17/30 Finance:

- a. *It was resolved to pay the following accounts:*

CALC	£132.60	Annual subscription
Marian Smith	£35.00	Printer for laptop (from Transparency Fund grant)
Community Lincs Insurance Services	£144.59	Insurance premium (Five-year undertaking)
Society of Local Council Clerks	£19.18	Annual subscription (7% of £274)
K M Price	£127.20	Quarterly expenses to 31st March including use of home office and travel

- b. The provisional accounts for 2016-17 were presented and the Chairman and Clerk were authorised to sign Parts 1 and 2 of the Annual Return.
- c. Since 2011 the Clerk has paid for the administration of the payroll but the person carrying out the work has asked for the £50 per annum to be increased. It was resolved that the Council will now take over this function and will make a payment of £75 per annum.
- d. Bank Mandate (minute 17/18b refers). The Clerk had submitted all the relevant paperwork to HSBC and had sent it to their Kendal Branch. So far, no reply has been received. It was resolved to wait until the end of May and if this is still the case, further action may be required.
- e. Councillor Mike Smith said the Bryan Beck Charity Trustees had met at Christmas and made the annual distribution.

17/31 Planning:

- a. The Notification of Appeal in respect of the refusal of planning permission for 7.2016/5495 (Masons Arms, Cartmel Fell. Erection of a timber enclosure) was received. It was resolved to make no further comments so the original comments made on this matter still stand.
- b. The Clerk had reported the building work at Lightwood (minute 17/19b refers) to LDNPA and this is being investigated by them.

17/32 Correspondence:

An email had been received from Professor John Caldwell regarding the flooding of a lane below Hartbarrow and associated problems. Councillor Marian Smith agreed to report this to CCC Highways and also to enlist the help of Councillor Wearing in resolving this and other highways problems in the area. A meeting between a highways officer or the local steward, Dave Stewart, and Councillor Mike Smith will be suggested.

The new HIMs (Highways Information Management) system for reporting highways faults will be trialled before the next meeting.

17/33 Parish Council website:

Councillor Marian Smith reported that the Council website is now up and running and agendas and minutes are being regularly posted to it. Other links are there and also an advertisement for a new Councillor. Email contact is via the Clerk, rather than individual Councillors.

17/34 Parish Defibrillator:

Councillor Marian Smith reported on her research into defibrillators in the parish. There are three sited at Tower Wood, and one each at the Scout Camp and Ghyll Head. It is not yet known if there are any at Park Cliffe or the Motor Boat Club.

The British Heart Foundation have received a large grant and welcome applications for funding so that there can be a readily available defibrillator in as many parishes as possible. The stores at Bowland Bridge was mentioned as being a possible location for one, being very close to the parish boundary.

It was agreed that training in their use would also be necessary.

Councillor Marian Smith will continue her enquiries and this will be an agenda item for the next meeting.

17/35 Local Area Partnership (LAP):

Councillor Marian Smith reported on her attendance at the recent LAP meeting, which had been held at Coniston, jointly with the High Furness LAP. The Police and Crime Commissioner had been one of the speakers. The Rural Crime Initiative, set up by Colton and Satterthwaite parishes was one of the presentations and it was felt that this could be of use in Cartmel Fell, especially as regards deer poaching in the area. This will be an agenda item for the next meeting.

There are now only three LAP meetings each year, rather than four as previously.

17/36 Date and place of next meeting:

Wednesday 30th August 2017 at 7.30pm at the Parish Hall, Cartmel Fell.

The meeting closed at 8.50pm.

Signed:

Dated: