

9 January 2017

CROSBY RAVENSWORTH PARISH COUNCIL – WORKING FOR THE COMMUNITY

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Minutes of the Meeting of Crosby Ravensworth Parish Council held on the 9th January 2017 in Crosby Ravensworth Parish Archive

Present Councillors: Mr D Graham, Mr M Archer, Mrs Virginia Holroyd, Mrs J Raine, Mr A Beatham, Mr D Hewitt (Chairman), Mr C Barnes (Clerk).
2 members of the public were present.
Cllr N Hughes Cumbria County Council. Cllr Kendall Eden YDNP\Eden DC

Apols. **Apologies**
Cllr. Joan Raine (Part)

098/16 **Minutes**
The Chairman was authorised to sign the minutes of the meeting held on the 5th December 2016 as a true record. Subject to the amendment of detail regarding the bridge abutment.

099/16 **Public Participation**
Speaking as a member of the public the Clerk asked if the council would have any objection to his arranging to level the ground down by 3 or 4 inches opposite West House where the council had recently cut a trench. Concern was expressed regarding the small tree planted by the previous owners of the house. The Clerk said that having examined it he felt it would be possible to do this without damaging the tree. No objections were raised.

100/16 **Highways**
The road had been raised to address puddling problems between the Village Hall and the Sun Hotel. MA would ask Mr Brewer to make up the ground on the verge with hard-core/rubble. Cllr Hughes announced that it was likely that Brackenslack would finally get done this year!

101/16 **Footpaths**
It was agreed to invite Steve Hastie of the National Park to attend the Parish Council and speak on the matter of footpaths.
The condition of the footpath between Haberwain and Wickerslack was discussed and the role of the walking group in actively using foot paths was also discussed.

102/16 **Planning update**
Cllr Kendal spoke on the refused application at the Fernery Silver Street. Ginny Holroyd had attended and spoke in favour of the application. Cllr Kendal stated that because the application fell within a conservation area a conservation area appraisal and a bat/road survey

were also required. The applicant had not supplied these. The officer recommendation was that the development was likely to be harmful to the conservation area had not been met with a rebuttal.

CLlr Kendal was asked to clarify the new requirements of outline permissions and to ascertain whether the process had been compliant with the National Planning Policy Framework. Clerk advised that developments at Hopper Hill and Reagill which the council had supported had been approved.

- 103/16 **BT Phonebox/defibrillator at MMVI.**
John Wood/Judith Roberts had resigned as Chair of MMVI and the matter was deferred until they were replaced. Clerk was authorised to obtain quotes for an installation from a telephone engineer.
- 104/16 **Finance**
A bank reconciliation was presented in draft to be inspected by JR. The third quarter budget monitor was presented and approved. The draft budget revised at the last meeting was approved with the council raising a precept of £8,850. An increase of £2.01 per house hold on the previous year.
- 105/16 **Payments**
Payments were approved as follows:
November 1, 2016, Wages Clerk, S/O, £389.08
December 1, 2016, RG Todd, Play Area Ground Rent CR, S/O, £50.00
December 1, 2016, Wages Clerk, S/O, £389.08
December 7, 2016, Archive Rent, S/O, £260.00
December 27, 2016, Paye, 001155, £105.00
January 9, 2017, Southern Electric (Archive), 001156, £126.16
January 9, 2017, Malcolm Hughes Surveyors (Mapping data), 001157, £72.00
January 9, 2017, Heatons, 001157, £4.00
- 106/16 **Causeway**
MA set out the position as it stood and then left the meeting declaring an interest in the decision.
It was resolved in principle to approve the construction of a causeway at 1 Stepping Stones subject to appropriate reassurance regarding liabilities and their insurance by MA. DG and VH were to meet and agree the fine detail of the matter.
- 107/16 **Dredging update**
DG and the clerk would liaise over the inspection of the work against quotes. Work was not completed below the fors at Hollowgate to his satisfaction.
Noted that the invoice was overdue for payment.
Work could be undertaken on Maud Syke in the season.
- 108/16 **Clerk's report**
AR was nominated to CALC to attend the Buckingham Palace Garden Party on the 23 May.

Clerk gave an update on insurances. Negotiations with the NFU had not produced savings and the Clerk was advised to try ecclesiastical insurances on renewal by DG.

Clerk reported that the Council had received a grant of £1181.72 for compliance with the transparency code and that a meeting was scheduled with the web developer for the 26th January.

Council Tax reduction scheme was £141 and the precept would be adjusted accordingly (agreed).

No word from the internal auditor. Clerk to follow up.

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Exclusion of the Press and Public

It was resolved unanimously that the press and public would be excluded for the discussion of the next item on the grounds that 'publicity would prejudice the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business in respect of the following item'

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Ghyll Cottage Bridleway Dispute

Confidential Minute

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Date of next meeting 6 February 2017.