8 April 2019 - Ordinary Meeting

CROSBY RAVENSWORTH PARISH COUNCIL – WORKING FOR THE COMMUNITY

At Crosby Ravensworth Parish Archive, 7:30pm.

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Clerk to the Council: Christian Barnes, West House, Tenter Row, Crosby Ravensworth, Penrith, Cumbria, CA10 3HY. t. 07584 251 448, e. clerk@crosbyravensworthparish.org.uk.

Present Councillors: Cllr D Graham (Chairman), Cllr J Raine (Vice Chairman), Cllr

D Hewitt, Cllr A Beatham, Cllr V Holroyd, Cllr M Archer, Cllr A Robinson,

Mr C Barnes (Clerk).

1 member of the public was present. Cllr N Hughes (CCC),

Apols. None

162/18 The **Minutes** of the meeting held on the 4th March 2019 were approved

as a true record.

163/18 **Declarations of Pecuniary Interest**

None

164/18 **Public Participation**

Cumbria County Council's plans for Vicarage Bridge had been turned down by the Yorkshire Dales National Park.

YDNP had improved the footpath at Haberwain and added a gate to the road.

A letter was read out from a parishioner and former owner of No 4 Haberwain querying how No 2 Haberwain had been put up for sale with no local occupancy clause. The writer noted that when the land was sold by the Crosby Ravensworth Relief in Need Charities the purchasers had agreed to a local occupancy clause being put in place. The writer noted that when they had sold in 2008, they had sold for a price that reflected the devaluation arising from the clause. It was understood that legal advice had been obtained by the vendors of No 2 that indicated that neither the planning authority or the Charities had in fact implemented the clause.

A letter was read out by a resident opposing the trapping and killing of Moles on MMVG. It was noted that the moles had been trapped by the farmer to whom the land was licenced. The letter was noted but it was believed that the infestation had been dealt with. 18 Humane traps had been obtained by a councillor for future use.

165/18 Planning

19/0139 Site address: COPPER BEECH LODGE SHAP PENRITH. CA10 3QX. Description: Variation of condition 2 (plans compliance) in respect of the design and size of the stable block attached to approval 18/0816. The council objects to the application on the grounds that the proposal is not adequately described. There are no proposed drawings. Units of

measurement in the text are unknown so the size of the building is unclear and no dimension for height is given. The site was thought to be sensitive in terms of its height from the Queens monument nearby. It was felt that the application should not have been validated.

166/18 Police Station

£17,404 of expenditure had been incurred on the refurbishment to date with £15,352 invoiced to date and £10,337.91 paid at the year end. Invoices were expected for electrical work, small further works on the guttering and render were approved which were not thought likely to exceed the agreed budget (137/18 and 154/18).

The Chairman's efforts in coordinating and leading the refurbishment was acknowledged by councillors with a proposal of thanks.

167/18 Annual Meeting (13 May 2019)

It was agreed that the Chairman would approach the Woodland Trust for a speaker at the Annual (Electors) Meeting. A Parishioner would also be approached to speak on the subject having proposed an ambitious planting scheme at the Council's meeting in January. The meetings would take place at Crosby Ravensworth Village Hall beginning at 7:30pm. It was agreed to bring the meeting forward to the 13th May in order to comply with the requirement to hold the meeting within a fortnight of the election.

168/18 Correspondence

#1 Permission to park on MMVG, A resident had made an enquiry about parking on the green. Councillors were not supportive of the proposal and regretted the habit of existing parking on the green rather than the road. It was agreed that the Chairman would write in response. #2 Crosby Ravensworth School re. funding for outdoor shelter. Queries were raised about whether in principle consents for the proposed work were in place. It was agreed that in principle the council would consider an application from the Friends of the School within the available resources and bearing in mind others likely to ask for support for other projects in the community. The Chairman would contact the Friends of the School. It was agreed that the Clerk would place a notice in the next Lyvennet Link publicising the availability of small grants and seeking applications with a view to a distribution of grants being on the June agenda.

169/18 **Finance**

The 4th Quarter, Budget Monitor, Bank Reconciliation, Schedule of Payments and Receipts and List of Internal Transfers were approved

170/18 Finance

The draft whole year Bank Reconciliation, Accounts, Schedule of Payments and Receipts were approved subject to being signed off by Councillor Raine as usual. These would form the basis of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return and their approval at this meeting would mean that there would not need to be a separate ordinary meeting on the 13th May.

171/18 Exclusion of the Press and Public

It was resolved to exclude the press and public by a resolution of the council on the grounds that publicity would prejudice the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business in respect of the following agenda item.

172/18 Police House Tenancy Applications

There had been 15 viewings resulting in five applications. The five applicants had been reviewed and a brief appraisal of each was read out. After discussion it was decided to take up the references of and if possible, proceed with an offer of tenancy on the terms outlined by the agent (Assured Shorthold) at a monthly rent of £600.

173/18 Employment matters

It was agreed in principle to support further training for the Clerk (Cilca) and to approve the payment of a contractual increment & National Joint Council agreed 2% pay rise at an hour.

<meeting ends at 21:20>