

**2<sup>nd</sup> September 2019 - Ordinary Meeting**  
**CROSBY RAVENSWORTH PARISH COUNCIL – WORKING FOR THE COMMUNITY**

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At Crosby Ravensworth Parish Archive at 7:30pm

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- Present Councillors: Cllr D Graham (Chair), Cllr. J Raine , Cllr V Holroyd, Cllr A Beatham, Cllr D Hewitt, Cllr R. Mclvor & Mr C Barnes (Clerk).
- Apols. Cllr N Hughes CCC., Cllr J. Taylor
- 071/19 There were no **Declarations of Pecuniary Interest**.
- 072/19 The minutes of the meeting held on the 5<sup>th</sup> August were amended (amendment to 063/19) and were approved as a true record.
- 073/19 **Public Participation.** The Stepping Stones at the bottom of Dalebanks at the junction with Woodyard and Tenter Row were damaged with material held up in the beck. This had created a risk of flooding to the road. It was agreed to look at the feasibility of reducing the height of built up material and reinstating a moved stone.
- 074/19 **First Responders.** A letter from First Responders appealing for funds was read out. It was resolved to make a donation to the First Responders of £400.00 after discussion and consideration of other groups the council would be called upon to support.
- 075/19 **Tilery Cottage.** The new owners had entered into an agreement with the council over the land surrounding the house for the amount of £100 + RPI annually. The first instalment had been paid.
- 076/19 **Training for the Clerk.** The council had approved the clerk's enrolment on the Cilca Course. The council approved training fees as follows: Society of Local Council Clerks £350 and Cumbria Association of Local Councils £200. The Chairman would review the time commitment required to complete the course estimated at 4 hours a week and report back to the council with a recommendation as to funding the clerk to undertake the training. It was understood that the council would be liable for half the costs as these were being shared 50:50 with Kirkby Stephen Town Council for whom the clerk also works.
- 077/19 **EDC Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places.** The council supported the use of Crosby Ravensworth Village Hall as a Polling Station.
- 078/18 **EDC Council Plan Consultation.** The council mandated District Councillor Joan

Raine to feedback to the council. It was agreed that the Final Draft was 'woolly' and did not take adequate account of the needs of an aging population.

It was noted that at the end of 2023 the outputs would be measured largely by the production of 'plans', 'strategies' and 'programmes' and that SMART (specific, measurable, achievable, resourced and timebound) outputs other than the production of strategies, were missing.

It was felt that important areas like Economic Development were buried under the heading 'Healthy, Safe and Secure' and Eden had recently reduced its support/delivery role in that area to a strategic planning role.

079/19 **External Audit.**

The council had received an unqualified audit with no matters arising and approved auditor's fees of £200.00 plus VAT.

080/19 **MMVG First Registration.**

The Land Charges search had been completed and all paperwork submitted. A final settlement of the issues at Maranetha was agreed and pending on the sale of the property. A matter had arisen in connection with 1 Stepping Stones as to the actual location of the property and village green boundary. After a meeting on site between the householder and Cllrs Raine and Graham and discussion in council it was agreed that the matter would be best resolved by commissioning a land registry survey at a cost of £90.

081/19 **MMVG Consultation.**

The Chairman proposed further public consultation over Maulds Meaburn Village Green.

It was agreed that it was important to consult the whole parish not just residents of Maulds Meaburn.

That an event that tells the history of the green would be useful.

That the purpose of the event would be to inform people of the existence of the Maulds Meaburn Recreation Ground Trust and its potential as a conduit for funding to help with the restoration and management of the green as well as the basis on which all the agreements and licences in operation on the green functioned.

It was agreed that consultation should include proper discussion with School Hill Farm who lease the green.

And, that the council's objective should be to establish what parishioners want from the green going forward.

It was agreed that an approach would be made to the Westmorland Dales project officer to discuss the issue of the green and to obtain feedback.

The idea of a short form leaflet setting out these issues was discussed.

082/19 **Date of Next Meeting 7 October 2019.**