

5th October 2020 – Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council

CROSBY RAVENSWORTH PARISH COUNCIL – WORKING FOR THE COMMUNITY

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Via Zoom video conference at 7:30pm

Present Councillors: Cllr D Graham, Cllr. J Raine, Cllr D Hewitt, Cllr V Holroyd, Cllr R McIvor, Mr C Barnes (Clerk).

No members of the public attending.

Apols. Cllr A Beatham, Cllr N Hughes (CCC)

046/20 **Welcome**, Councillors were welcomed to the meeting. There were no declarations of Pecuniary Interest.

047/20 **Public Participation**

Enquiries would be made regarding the parking of a caravan on Maulds Meaburn Village Green. The Caravan was owned by a resident and had been parked on the green for over a year.

An enquiry had been made regarding the management of willow planted on the path near the footbridge. It was agreed to raise the issue with the YDNP Ranger service.

It was agreed to ask the editor of the link if 30 print copies could be produced to be placed in the village shelters (10 for each shelter) for distribution. Take up would be monitored and if there was no demand would be discontinued. Cllr Raine to manage. The availability of the Link would be publicised in the Crosby Ravensworth Facebook group by Cllr Raine.

The issue of the November 5th bonfire had been raised. It was agreed that the council as trustee of the green would not allow a bonfire to be held this year because of current guidance on the spread of the Coronavirus. It was agreed that a sign would be placed in on the site of the bonfire making the situation clear.

Material dumped at the site would be treated as fly tipping. A notice would be placed in the shelters, online and in the Link.

048/20 The Chairman was authorised to sign the **minutes** of the previous meeting held on the 7th September 2020 as a true record.

049/20 **Casual Vacancy.** The clerk was AUTHORISED to publicise a casual vacancy arising from the resignation of Jonathan Taylor in the usual way.

050/20 **Planning** E/03/35E Amended Plans, Oddendale Cottage. The size of the bat loft was noted as large. Amendments were noted to be mainly to the interior and in respect of a ramp and gallery window. The standard of the proposed works was noted to be excellent and the amended plans were SUPPORTED.

051/20 **Diseased Ash, Tenter Row.** YDNP Consent had been given to fell this tree in the conservation area on the basis that it represented an increasing hazard, conditions were attached which included that one replacement tree of native species be planted within the first planting season after felling and be adequately protected

and regularly weeded for three years to ensure establishment and that if the replacement tree should die then it will be replaced. A quotation of £295+vat had been received to fell the tree. It was AGREED that the clerk was authorised to instruct the work and negotiate over the sale of firewood to defray the cost.

- 052/20 The **Tree Group** had applied for over £30k to continue its planting programme with major funding from the Woodland Trust (£14k) and Eden District Council's Community Fund (10k). Parish funding would demonstrate community support. It was AGREED to fund the group for the same amount as last year (£440). The tree group would be asked to help the council discharge the conditions regarding replanting applied to the felling of the diseased ash in Tenter Row.
- 053/20 **Tree at Addison Cottages.** Correspondence had been received from the occupant of 2 Addison Cottages regarding overshadowing from a tree outside the property boundary. On previous occasions the Parish Council had instructed work on this tree. The tree was noted to be in good health and did not represent a hazard. It was AGREED that the proposed works were not something that the PC would elect to carry out. The resident would be directed to the Yorkshire Dales National Park as to consent issues within the conservation area.
- 054/20 **Standing Orders.** It was agreed to re-adopt the current Standing Orders without amendment (No changes were recommended or advised).
- 055/20 **Financial Regulations.** It was agreed to re-adopt the current Financial Regulations without amendment (No changes were recommended or advised).
- 056/20 **Stepping Stones.** The condition of the stepping stones at Dalebanks Beck adjacent to Woodyard was noted to be improved. A parishioner was thanked.
- 057/20 **Rock Armouring, Dalebanks.** Concern had been expressed regarding the rock armouring of the boundary between Dalebanks Beck and Dalebanks between Woodyard and the cattlegrid. A local resident had offered to carry out works however Cumbria County Council Highways department had agreed to put the work into next years programme. It had been agreed by the parties involved to take no action in the current year.
- 058/20 **Crosby Commoners, Section 28 Notice.** Formal notice had been served on the council regarding fencing of areas of the commons. The application was in line with the Commoners proposals for tree planting which were actively supported by the council. Details were available in the Link.
- 059/20 **Parish Shelters.** The shelter in Maulds Meaburn was in good condition and well managed. However, the shelters in Reagill and Crosby Ravensworth were less well managed. It was agreed that the Crosby Ravensworth and Reagill shelter could be formally managed by Cllr Raine and a member of the public. It was agreed that a table in the shelter would be a good idea as seating was being used for displays. Two offers were forthcoming. Cllr Raine had received an enquiry from Radio Cumbria as to posters and a potential broadcast, once further details were available the clerk would be notified.
- 060/20 The **Second Quarter Bank Reconciliation** and List of Transactions was presented and approved with a closing balance of £26,449.54. The council had transferred

£1,000 (23) to the Maulds Meaburn Recreation Ground Trust that it had received on behalf of the trust. The funds involved were to the benefit of the trust and had been paid into the council's current account in error in the previous quarter. It was agreed that these transactions would not be reported in the council's year end accounts. It was noted that the cost of repainting the Police House had been significantly lower than budget at £900. (36). Cllr Raine noted the cost of the subscription to Zoom at £143.34 for the year (37). This cost meant that virtual meetings could take place for a period longer than 40 minutes. The cost of repairing/servicing the Boiler at the Police House was noted at £162 inc. vat (41). It was agreed that the boiler should not be replaced with a condensing boiler as it was a better-quality installation than a modern boiler that was worth maintaining.

- 061/20 The Second Quarter Budget Monitor was received and approved subject to amendment over the treatment of funds due to the Maulds Meaburn Recreation Trust.
- 062/20 Covid Support Group, this group had co-ordinated 19 volunteers looking after 55 households and 77 shielding individuals during the first national lockdown announced on the 23 March. Volunteers had managed tasks such as shopping and prescription collecting. Cumbria Community Foundation had awarded a sum to reimburse volunteers petrol expenses. The volunteers had declined reimbursement of their expenses and had individually nominated charities to which they wished the expenses they would have been due to be given. It was AGREED that the Parish could disburse these funds.
- 063/20 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.
- 064/20 Confidential Minute.
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<meeting ends at 20:50>