

1st February 2020 – Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council
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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 S Roberts, Cllr R Mclvor & Mr C Barnes (Clerk).
- Apols. Cllr A Beatham
- 118/20 **Welcome**, Cllr Roberts Declared a Pecuniary Interest in Item 7 . 20/0859 Site address: LAND BETWEEN FERN BANK AND EAST VIEW REAGILL PENRITH CA10 3ER
- 119/20 **Public Participation.**
None
- MMRGT
120/20 The Chairman was authorised to sign the **minutes** of the previous meeting(s) Ordinary and Maulds Meaburn Recreation Ground Trust held on the 18 January 2021 as a true record.
- 121/20 **Matters arising.** The Chairman apologised for having played down the dog muck issue on Littleaside raised during public participation. He had walked the section concerned the following day and had found seven piles of dog muck. He would obtain signs from EDC and put them up in the area. There was discussion of what it would take for some owners to exercise responsibility. Another article in the link was suggested.
- 122/20 **Highways.**
Flooding issues were noted on Brackenslack. The condition of the fingerpost in Maulds Meaburn was noted, gritbins /heaps needed replenishing. Residents in Maulds Meaburn had asked if a gritbin/pile could be provided at the hill near Hill Crest leading to Back Lane.
- Cllr Hughes CCC undertook to follow up on these issues. In addition, he raised the issue of gritting on Sale Lane and the Gilts to Orton Road over the fell. It had not been possible to include these on the gritting schedules this year but he was hoping that when the routes were reviewed in August that they could be considered for the first time.
- Cllr Hughes noted that fingerposts were often refurbished by local people with support from County.
- It was agreed to put another article in the link regarding how to report road defects. Councillors and parishioners were reminded that the quickest solution to Highways issues was to report them to the Highways Authority. Delaying reporting to bring issues to the parish council was usually unnecessary and introduced an element of delay. County's online reporting system for road defects could be accessed off the main menu of the Parish Councils website and is very easy to use. Cllr Hughes noted that the more it was used the more likely problems were to be dealt with.

123/20 **P C Speedy** the Parishes cutout Policeman had arrived. It was agreed to experiment with locations in the Parish for short durations. EG Hopper Hill to Crosby School, Croft House Straight, Outside Maulds Meaburn Institute and Crosby Village Hall. It was agreed that the reverse should be marked Property of Crosby Ravensworth Parish Council.

124/20 **Planning 20/1007** Site address: WINTER TARN, NEWBY PENRITH, CA10 3EW
Description: To replace the current milking parlour building and extend it to cover the adjacent outside collecting yard and feed area.

The Parish Council OBJECTS to the application. The plans are not of sufficient quality to be able to determine what is being built. However, the scale of the building is believed to be very significant in terms of visual impact. The 'as existing' plans (Site) do not include a number of the substantial buildings that have recently been constructed and for which retrospective permission has recently been given. As a consequence, it is not possible to visualise the proposed construction on the site and its relationship to other recently constructed buildings. The point was made that a consent would allow the developer to construct almost anything as the plans were so unclear. The site plan was not edged in red and one councillor (colourblind) had not been able to distinguish the proposed area of the development at all prior to the meeting.

For a development of this scale, it was felt to be inappropriate to apply in this amateurish way. These standards would not be tolerated in respect of householder development. There was continuing concern that the proposed developments at the farm were taking place in an ad hoc fashion without professional co-ordination.

The council referred to previous minutes

037/20 Planning 20/0482 WINTER TARN, NEWBY, CA0 3EW. Roof over a midden.
No objection.

038/20 Planning 20/0474 WINTER TARN, NEWBY, CA10 3EW. Erection of cow shed with covered feed area, part retrospective. Determined under delegated powers before the end of the consultation period. The Council would have OBJECTED if it had been given the opportunity and had subsequently raised its concerns with planners including as follows:

'The quality of the recent planning applications at Winter Tarn have been poor relative to the applications made by others in the Parish and have not in the council's view met the standard required (basic details missing) for validation by planners, proper decision making and consultation or been of equivalent quality to those required of equivalent householder developments or those submitted by other local farm businesses in the parish. It was felt that this was unfair treatment by planners to those who were respectful of the planning process. The farm had on more than one occasion 'jumped the gun' on development using the planning process retrospectively to seek to regularise developments that had already taken place.'

081/20 Planning 20/0802 WINTER TARN NEWBY CA10 3EW. Description: Replace existing barn and roof over adjacent outside feed area. The council raised no objection.

It was noted that OBJECTIONS should be supported by an attendance at Planning Committee and the Chairman agreed that he would represent the council's

concerns at committee if the council's objection conflicted with an approval in the officer report.

- 125/20 Cllr Roberts was placed in the 'Waiting Room' outside the meeting for this part of the discussion having declared a pecuniary interest in this item.
Planning 20/0859 Site address: LAND BETWEEN FERN BANK AND EAST VIEW REAGILL PENRITH CA10 3ER
Description: Variation of condition 1 (plans compliance) to update drawing references, condition 3 (external walling and roofing materials), condition 6 (details of levels) and removal of condition 7 (obscure glazed windows) attached to approval 19/0622.
Amendment of Condition 7 (removal of obscured glass) was supported, The Parish Council had no comment on the removal of conditions 1,3 & 6 as no information regarding Roofing and Walling materials was available.
- 126/20 **Yorkshire Dales Local Plan**
Councillors would respond to the consultation individually. Collectively it was agreed that the chairman would respond drawing together the councillors shared concerns/comments regarding.
1. Unambitious Targets (50 new houses a year) @ 1 house per year in the parish on infill sites.
 2. The need for moderate growth in small communities to sustain social infrastructure such as schools and pubs
 3. Good quality broadband.
- MMRGT
127/20 **Mole population Maulds Meaburn**
Correspondence had been received seeking protection for Moles on MMVG. The position had some support in the community. Councillors discussed the position including the recent experience in Morland Parish where similar concerns had led to the mole population becoming established. The expense of dealing with the problem of an established population was regarded as a risk in addition the council also has a health and safety responsibility for the green which is used for community exercise and recreation.
Two councillors did not support control by dispatch of the moles and four did.

The green was currently unlet and it was RESOLVED that the clerk would discuss the situation with the licensee after this year's licence had been awarded with a view to removing the population of moles. If earlier action was required than would be possible with the licensee, the costs per mole were noted as £7 to £10.
It was felt that the use of humane traps and resettling of moles as had been previously suggested did not resolve the problem and that moles would not remain in a wooded area.
- 128/20 The existing **Risk Assessment** was revised with proposed amendments of detail being resolved on screen. The risk assessment would be brought back to the next meeting for approval.
No changes were proposed in respect of the Lyvennet Beck assessment it having been reviewed by the Chairman and Clerk.
- 129/20 The **Asset Register** was approved for readoption subject to the addition of updated insurance values in June 2021 and the addition of a bench at Meaburn Edge which had been missed from the previous survey. The proxy value would remain

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unchanged.

It was AGREED that Councillor McIvor would research the history of the Meaburn Edge Bench and report back to council as to the possibility of moving it to a nearby location with a clearer view.

130/20 **Date of Next Meeting** 1 March 2021

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