

12th April 2021 – 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 V Holroyd, Cllr S Roberts, Cllr R Mclvor & Mr C Barnes (Clerk).
1 member of the public was present.
- Apols.** Cllr A Beatham, Cllr D Hewitt (lambing), Cllr N Hughes CCC.
- 151/20** **Welcome.**
The Chairman welcomed Councillors and a member of the public to the meeting. A minute's silence was observed to Mark the deaths of HRH The Duke of Edinburgh and former Parish Councillor John Hall.
- 152/20** **Public Participation**
A local group was looking to refurbish/update the Parish Play Area in Crosby Ravensworth. It was agreed that the Clerk would write to the owner to seek permission to extend the lease. The council was asked if would act as 'accountable body' for the receipt & payment of funds to replace playground equipment. It was AGREED that the group would research their proposals further and present them to the parish council for approval at a future meeting.
- A resident had expressed disappointment at the felling of mature Lime Trees on farmland to the rear of Woodyard Lane, Crosby Ravensworth. The felling of important mature trees was seen as negating the hard work of the tree group. The trees, had however, been assessed as dangerous and damage arising from falling overhead branches had occurred. The trees were outside the conservation area and were not known to be the subject of a tree preservation order.
- 153/20** **Minutes**
Subject to the amendment of a date error the minutes of the meeting held on the 1st March were approved.
- 154/20** **Planning YDNP**
E/03/23B Crake Trees Manor, Crosby Ravensworth, PENRITH, CA10 3JG Full planning permission for retrospective consent for erection of steel frame building to form utilities block and store; installation of sewage package treatment plant; replacement of 2 No. glamping pods with 2 No. shepherds huts; creation of parking area and use of field for seasonal tented camping. The applicant was present to explain that the consent was sought retrospectively to regularise a development of Glamping Pods which had been part substituted for Shepherd's Hut Type Accommodation in a previous application and together with ancillary utility/bathing, parking and toilet facilities. This had occurred because the applicant had been presented with an opportunity to buy the Glamping Pods. Councillors were unanimous in their support of the application. Noting the sympathetic treatment of the site overall.

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Planning EDC

21/0170, 21/0154, 21/0155, 21/0151: Site Address: WINTER TARN NEWBY CA10 3EW: All applications described as 'roof over existing silage pit'. Notice had been received today that all the applications had been approved in spite of correspondence sent to Oliver Shimmel (Assistant Director Development) and Jason Gooding (Interim Chief Executive) at Eden District Council raising the council's concerns over developments at Winter Tarn directly. It was noted that the Clerk had contacted the planning department twice to ask for an extension of the deadline to allow the council to respond. All correspondence to the council had been ignored despite the letter to Oliver Shimmel being acknowledged and the applications had all been determined early under delegated powers including previous responses where the council had informed Eden of its intention to attend committee to object. It was agreed that Eden's actions were unacceptable and made a mockery of the planning process in consulting Local Councils. The Parish Council's options were to lodge an appeal with the planning inspectorate or to raise the issue with the Local Government Ombudsman. As these were failures of quality and process it was resolved to take the matter up with the Local Government Ombudsman if the authority did not respond within a set timescale to a formal letter of complaint it was agreed that the Chairman would write.

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Planning YDNP E/03/59 The Flass, Maulds Meaburn, CA10 3HN Full planning permission for erection of an agricultural storage building. The council raises no objection.

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Maulds Meaburn Schedule of Works

The Chairman presented a schedule of works which he had prepared after a walk round with Cllr McIvor. <https://crosbyravensworthparish.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/MMVG-Inspection-2021-04-12.pdf>

Highways issues (marked yellow) had been raised with Cumbria County Council and would be programmed into their schedule.

Other Issues were discussed as follows:

1. Waterpipe works on MMVG towards cattle grid on Flass Access Road.
2. Watermain across river upstream of southern footbridge UU on site tomorrow.
3. YDNP Works to Bank. The Environment agency approval process was holding things up. The persistence of the YDNP was to be encouraged.
4. An archaeological survey was thought to be a useful precursor in respect of the scheduled monument aspect of the mill race which looked as if it required maintenance. It was felt that this could be picked up with Westmorland Dales. VH to discuss with YDNPA.
5. The Chairman had obtained a quotation for maintenance of the wooden parts of the shelter however it was agreed that the Chairman would seek additional quotes. Works would be funded by the PC rather than the Maulds Meaburn Recreation Ground Trust MMRGT because the shelter appeared on the council's asset register.
6. It was agreed the MMRGT would fund ditch works associated with drainage adjacent to Heron View estimated to be in the region of £250.
7. It was agreed that the Clerk would circulate a letter from the Westmorland Dales about archaeological interpretation. The proposition was not clear. It was agreed that the best approach would be for the Interpretation officer to

arrange to put posters in the village shelters encouraging residents to become involved and to contact them directly. CB to feed back.

8. Damage to the green from frequent tractor manoeuvring was assessed. The council would identify and speak to the tractor driver and ask for repairs to be carried out. Other measures would be considered if this was not successful.

- 167/20 **Call for Evidence Remote Meetings Consultation.** The Clerk would feed back as follows: Councillors agreed that standing powers (but no duty) to hold remote and hybrid meetings should be given to local councils, however a presumption in favour of Face to Face 'in person' meetings should be maintained. A justification for remote meetings should be required. It was noted that remote meetings could extend opportunities for participation and reduce expense.
- 167/20 **Unitary Council Consultation.** Councillors did not have a common view and it was resolved not to respond as a Parish Council to the consultation.
- 168/20 **Damage to verges at Castle Howe Scar.** It was resolved to pass this issue onto the Highways Authority.
- 169/20 **Air Ambulance Collections.** It was agreed that donations to the Air Ambulance should be required to be bagged and tied securely in order to be waterproof and that donors should be reminded that no bric a brac was requested/allowed. JR would feed back to the organisers.
- 170/20 **Post Box.** It was agreed that Paving Slabs would be laid upto the post box the Chairman would arrange for this.
- 171/20 **Re Location of Bench on Meaburn Edge.** Two quotations had been received the lower price was accepted at £120.00
- 172/20 **Finance.** The 4th Quarter, Bank Reconciliation, Schedule of Payments and Receipts and list of Internal Transfers. Was approved with closing balance of £22,121.16
<https://crosbyravensworthparish.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/20210401-4th-Qtr-Bank-Rec-and-Schedule-of-receipts-payments.pdf>
- 173/20 **Finance.** The 4th Quarter Budget Monitor was approved. It was noted that no grant payment had been made to the School. The Clerk confirmed that he had spoken to the Head and that he had not progressed the project that had been discussed. It was left that the School would be able to reapply to the PC in the coming year. Funds would not be carried over though the council's surplus was increased.
<https://crosbyravensworthparish.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/20210402-4th-Qtr-Budget-Monitor.pdf>
The outturn was broadly in line with expectations.
- 174/20 **Finance.** The Full Year Accounts, Bank Reconciliation, Schedule of All Payments and Receipts incl. list of Internal Transfers was received and approved for publication.
<https://crosbyravensworthparish.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/2020-2021-Full-Year-Accounts-and-Bank-Reconciliation.pdf>
Summarised as follows:
Opening Balance £14,640.27

April 12th, 2021, Ordinary Meeting of Crosby Ravensworth Parish Council.

+ Receipts and interest £22,435.62

- Payments -£14,954.73

Closing Balance £22,121.16

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Date of next meeting May 6, 2021.