

**MINUTES OF LOWER HOLKER PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT LOWER HOLKER VILLAGE HALL ON WEDNESDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2017**

**PRESENT**

Parish Councillors R Airey, B Dawson & J Ryland, Parish Clerk L Prescott and 1 member of the public.

16/196 **Apologies for Absence**

Parish Councillors M Keith, S Rawsthorn & T Wilson, Parish & District Councillor G Gardner, County Councillor S Sanderson and PCSO H Firth.

16/197 **Requests for Dispensations**

Parish Councillors Airey, Dawson and Ryland have requested dispensations which have been granted in respect of setting the Council tax or a precept under the Local Government Finance Act 1992 where as members they hold property interests within the district (including owning or renting a home within the district).

16/198 **Declarations of Interest**

None.

16/199 **Minutes of the Last Meeting**

**Resolved** The acceptance of the minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2016 was agreed unanimously and signed by the Vice Chairman.

16/200 **Public Participation (at the Chairman's discretion)**

None

16/201 **Police**

PCSO Firth was absent and no report has been received.

16/202 **District and County Councillors**

The District and County Councillors were absent and no reports have been received.

16/203 **Planning Applications**

a) SL/2016/0999. 115 Station Road, Cark-in-Cartmel LA11 7NY. Two Dwellings.

**Resolved** to support this application as there is adequate access and the development would not be detrimental to existing properties.

b) SL/2016/1140. 36 Main Street Flookburgh LA11 7LA. First floor rear extension and single storey side extension

**Resolved** to support this application as it would not be detrimental to adjoining properties.

16/204 **Planning Decisions**

None.

16/205 **Financial Report**

**Resolved** The Financial report, including budget comparison and bank reconciliation as at 24 December 2016, was accepted unanimously and signed by the Vice Chairman.

16/206 **Precept 2017/18**

A report on the Council's Budget and Finances was received in relation to the Precept for 2017/18  
**Resolved** To set a Precept for 2017/18 of £13,407.58 based on the following budget:

	<b>BUDGET/PRECEPT</b>
	<b>2017/18</b>
Clerks salary	£4,338
Clerks telephone/internet	£160
Street lighting	£500
Lighting maintenance	£400
Audit commission	£120
Insurance	£420
Internal audit	£60
CALC subs	£288
Training	£50
Donations S 137	£1,000
Newsletter	£200
Clock maintenance	£200
Clock repairs	£100
Admin/stationary	£300
Clerks Direct	£90
Toilets	£4,500
Community Led Plan (Actions)	£1,500
Contingency Fund	£1,000
Lengthsman	£100
Emptying 2 Bins	£460
Seating (Moor Lane)	£600
Saturday Bus Service Support	£600
Speed Monitoring Equipment	£1,000
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>£17,986</b>
Less VAT refund (estimate)	£3,500
Sub total	£14,486
Less SLDC Grant	£1078.42
<b>Precept 2017/18</b>	<b>£13,407.58</b>

16/207 **Payment of Accounts**

**Resolved** The authorisation of the following payments was agreed unanimously:

Clerk's Salary (December 2016)	£276.48
PAYE for Clerk's Salary (December 2016)	£69.12
South Lakes Services – Toilets Cleaning (December 2016) SO	£247.26
E.On (Electricity - Street Lighting) (1/11/16-30/11/16) DD	£40.51
Npower (Electricity – Toilets) (1/9/16-1/12/16) DD	£70.41

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### Highways

The following Highways matters were considered.

- a) Road maintenance (drains near Holker). The Clerk reported that it is still listed as being assigned for Cumbria Highways local maintenance team to programme and action.
- b) Highways matters currently under consideration by Cumbria Highways, the Clerk reported an email has been received from the CC Highways Engineer following the November site meetings:
  - i) Safety of B5278 road bridge over River Eea near the Engine Inn. CCC are aware of the damage to the wall but have not been able to ascertain ownership of the damaged part of the wall to enable repairs to be arranged.  
**Resolved** to notify CCC that the ownership of the wall is understood to be the Engine Inn at Cark.
  - ii) Safety of Allithwaite Road Railway Bridge. CCC regard the road on the Allithwaite Road side of the bridge to be a stock fence and hence not the responsibility of Highways. CCC regard the drop on the Flookburgh side of the bridge into the field, where there is a gap in the hedge, it is not sufficiently high to require a solid barrier.  
**Resolved** To query the decision on the road fence as previous advice received regarding fencing of a highway above ground level was that the Highways were responsible to maintain.
  - iii) Bridleway alongside school ground – vehicles using/trying to use.  
Plans as outlined in the December meeting Minutes.
  - iv) The safety of the road layout near Cark Station Railway Bridge to be deferred to the next meeting.
- c) Motor home parked in layby at Flookburgh Cemetery. A further complaint has been received from a resident through Facebook about the reduced parking for family members visiting graves over the Christmas period and the name and details of the owners had been requested but not supplied.  
**Resolved** To contact the owners to request an update on storage plans.

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### Defibrillator installation

The Clerk reported that she has been advised that it is possible to apply to the British Heart Foundation for up to 5 FREE defibrillators, however they must be stored in unlocked cabinets. North West Ambulance Service recommend they be stored in a locked cabinet to limit vandalism.

**Resolved** Not to apply to the British Heart Foundation and continue with plans to install one in a locked cabinet in Cark.

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### Public Toilets & Cark Park

The Clerk reported that she was contacted on the night of the Cark tree lighting as it was not possible to lock one of the Toilets at night, so she locked it.

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### Flookburgh & District Recreational Charity

No progress to report.

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### Correspondence

The following correspondence was noted:

- a) Cumbria County Council  
Cumbria Digital Road Map re Health (proposals to increase use of digital technology to monitor and communicate with patients). No information included regarding those who are unable to access or use this technology.
- b) South Lakeland District Council  
Integrated Care Communities – volunteers for LAP subgroup  
LAP Newsletter and Flooding Factsheet  
LAP Meeting date – 10<sup>th</sup> May  
Precept Form  
Recycling Bags – being distributed in the parish for plastic and cardboard collection.  
Locally Important Projects Funding Applications – deadline 13<sup>th</sup> February 2017  
SLDC Parish Remuneration Panel Report 2017/2018

Adoption of Phase 2 Development Brief Supplementary Planning Documents (Kendal and Grange)

South Lakeland Flood Factsheet (final)

c) Cumbria Association for Local Councils (CALC)

Nuclear site decommissioning and clean up consultation document

Press release from National Grid

CALC Circular including information on new Audit arrangements

LCR Opinion Survey

Cumbria Road Safety Partnership – Guidance regarding use of speed indicating devices

Cumbria CVS – Emergency Planning Event (17<sup>th</sup> February in Kendal)

Royal Garden Party – May 2017. Each Council may nominate an attendee and guest.

**Resolved** to nominate Councillor Dawson and his wife.

Battle's Over – A Nation's Tribute - 11th November 2018 – Beacons of Light

Proposed changes to the funding of community pharmacies - Flookburgh Pharmacy is included on the list to receive Pharmacy Access Scheme funds following reduction and eventual removal of general Government funding. Funding has been allocated to rural pharmacies with lower dispensation rates.

d) Neighbourhood Alerts

Flood/storm warnings.

16/213 **Date of Next meeting**

The next meeting was noted:

The next Meeting of the Parish Council will be held at 7 pm on Wednesday 1<sup>ST</sup> February at Flookburgh Village Hall.

Clerk to the Council: - Lyn Prescott, 13 Church Walk, Flookburgh, Grange-over-Sands, Cumbria LA11 7JX