

Minutes of the Meeting of Crosthwaite and Lyth Parish Council held on 18th February 2010

PRESENT: Messrs M L Dobson (Chair), C.Smith M J Dobson Mr J Bownass.

In Attendance Cllr J Bland (CCC), Cllr R Ballantyne-Smith Mr G Pitt (Clerk). (SLDC)

1. **APOLOGIES**, Mr M Casson, Mr T Dobson, Ms M Harkness.
2. **MINUTES** of the meeting held on 21st January 2010 (already circulated) were approved and signed.
3. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES (not covered elsewhere in this agenda)**

re: 6.1 LDNPA call for sites consultation. MH and GP had met Brian Allison LDNPA Planner to discuss the PCs concerns about the request for sites to be identified. They were advised that the basic requirement was to build a database of possible sites for affordable housing (and recreation?) in village service centres as a means of meeting housing needs as and when they arose. When it was made clear that there was a very small need for affordable housing (as defined by CRHT) and that the PC did not wish to propose sites without the knowledge of owners, BA agreed that there would be little point in identifying multiple sites in Crosthwaite. We did agree to identify Bowling Green Field and the Recreation Field as areas for recreation. Clerk to write accordingly. **Action: Clerk**

re: Flooding at Hollow Clue: J Bownass reported no further action from SLDC. .

re 6.2 Public Paths Initiative (PPI); No feedback from Councillors on paths requiring maintenance.

re 6.4 Natural England/Proposals for Nat Park extensions – consultation No formal comments received from Councillors. After further discussion it was agreed that the PC's position was that the Parish was not directly affected and they could not comment on the effect on other parishes. Clerk was asked to respond accordingly. **Action; Clerk**

4. **PARISH PLAN – PROGRESS REPORTS**

4.1 Housing: No change. David McGowan had still not arranged to hold a planning surgery in Crosthwaite. He has pointed out that advice given at any such surgery would have to be based on existing planning guidelines and he would prefer to wait until the LDF was approved and more flexible guidelines were in place.

4.2 Community Events: Open Gardens Ramble: No change

4.3 Employment and Business: No further action.

4.4 Roads and Traffic:

Road Maintenance : Recent cold weather had created many new pot holes. Cumbria Highways were repairing some with a special team using hot tarmac. However there was considerable doubt as to whether they could repair all current pot holes. Situation to be reviewed at a later PC meeting.

A590/A5074/Foulshaw lane junction: No further response from the Area Highways Authority after their letter received 21st Dec stating that the Authority would carry out a detailed investigation of all crossings between Brettargh Holt and Lindale and that Parishes would be consulted. Clerk was asked to remind Highways Authority and to ask when such an investigation would take place. **Action Clerk**

4.5 Community Web site; No change

4.6 First Responders: Training on going.

4.7 Crime and Disorder; Kent Estuary report extracted from the police web site and tabled. Detailed figures also available on the web site but not extracted.

5. Governance

5.1 SL Strategic Partnership – Local Area Partnership: Clerk's notes on SW LAP to had been circulated to all interested parishes and included in the Two Valleys magazine for February. No response had been received from other parishes (contact via Clerks!) despite reminders. A separate response to LAP proposals had been received from Burton in Kendal which echoed many our concerns.. A note and supporting papers had been received re the next SW LAP meeting on 24th February (Beetham Mill). Councillors confirmed their views as expressed in Clerk's notes i.e. they could not identify sufficient issues of common interest to justify the formality, complexity and cost of a LAP and that the proposed SW LAP was far too large to be effective. It was agreed that Chairman and Clerk would attend the above meeting with a watching brief and no commitment to future activities.

6. OTHER CORRESPONDENCE

6.1. LDNPA Core Strategy Independent Examination: Independent enquiry/Public examination of the submitted document set for two weeks 3rd to 15th May. Pre hearing meeting 12th March. PC agreed that they had no further comments or representations to make. Clerk to respond accordingly. **Action: Clerk.**

6.2 SLDC PRP remuneration report 2010/11. Recommendations re Basic Allowances and subsistence. Noted and circulated.

6.3 CALC – Open Space protection: Invitation to presentations (Gilpin Inn 29th March). Noted

6.4 CALC/ Capita Symonds – Tree Surveys on Parish Land: Enquiry and offer to carry out tree surveys. Agreed not to accept the offer.

6.5 CALC – SL Area Notice of meeting 4th March: Chairman (MLD) to attend. **Action: Chairman**

6.6 CCC Neighbourhood Forum: Notice of next meeting in Cartmel Village Hall 2nd March.

7. PLANNING MATTERS

Applications granted - none

New application – no objection

7/2009/5623: Wooden cabin/Classroom for Crosthwaite CE School

8 FINANCES (Since last meeting)

Income:	NSI interest (December)	£ 15.60
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Expenditure approved: None

Parish Room: Clerk reported that he now had sufficient supporting papers to make an application to the Land Registry of a Possessory Title to the building. He was currently searching the County Archives for any further evidence of ownership (i.e. Trustees/Governors) of the 1822 school building. **Action: Clerk**

9 MATTERS RAISED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC; None

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS; None

Date of next monthly Meeting: Thursday 18th March 2010 at 7.30pm..

GP