

## Minutes of Crosthwaite and Lyth Parish Council meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> April 2016

**Present: Mary Harkness(Chair) Bruce Worsley, Chris Smith, Matthew Dobson**

**In attendance: Jim Bland, John Holmes, Gordon Pitt(in lieu of Joanne Taylor, clerk)**

**1 Apologies for Absence**

Judy Goodland, Jim Bownass, Paula Cross, Joanne Taylor

**2 Minutes of previous meeting**

The minutes of the meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> March 16 were approved as a true and accurate record.

**3 Requests for Dispensations**

None

**4 Declarations of Interest**

None

**5 Chairman's Announcements**

The Chair referred to the upcoming elections, hoping all nomination papers had been presented. Chris Smith advised he did not wish to stand for election again and had not completed any papers.

**6 Open Session**

None – no members of the public present

**7 County Councillor's Report**

Resurfacing work has been completed. He expected repairs to the long straights North of Gilpin Bridge to be completed in the new financial year, along with work on clearing the drains and gullies.

Gordon Pitt offered a parish map from his old records, Mary Harkness will coordinate and mark up positions of drains and gullies.

Comments were made on the amount of rubbish, flytipping within the Lyth Valley, the council asked for signs to be provided by CCC and the clerk is to write to the Highways agency.

**8 District Councillor's Report**

1. Council Plan to 2019 updated 24/2/16: Includes now Flood Issues: Extension of Kerbside collections.

Promotion of Cycling:Support for the Northern Development Route for Kendal: Continued improvements to customer services: Creation of additional jobs and affordable homes for rent: Provisions of 500 sites for self-build homes.

2. Locally Important Projects awards total £285,000 over 16 applications

Including one to Crosthwaite VH to upgrade Kitchen Facilities

Grant 50% of £7735.34 ie £3870.00

Grants ranging from £1,000.00 through to £60,000.00.

This leaves approx. £75,000.00 for further bids.

3. Updates on Home Efficiency Grants

Further improvements to IT systems planned jointly with Eden

Updating Procurement Procedures. These include more assistance and encouragement for local businesses.

4. Continuing work on dealing with Flood damage claims and assistance.

Likely net cost of Floods to SLDC circa £1.4m (To be met from reserves)

Note: Government Flood resilience Grants of up to £5,000.00. Applicants can make more than 1 claim (always providing within total of £5000.00 for all claims) Joint applications can also be considered. Applications will be considered up to March 2017.

**9 Clerk's Report**

The parish council received the Feb 16 report – no comments

**10 PCSO report**

No report, no PCSO present

**11 Planning**

**11.1 New Applications**

**7/2016/5145 1 Foulshaw Cottages** – Variation of condition 2 of planning approval 7/2013/5219 relating to raising of floor levels and roof line- Approved

**11.2 Planning application decisions of LDNPA**

**7/2015/5759 – Damson Dene Hotel** – Granted – PC Noted

**12 Finance**

**12.1 Income & Expenditure 2015/16**

The Parish Council is asked to approve the following expenditure and approve the latest bank reconciliation statement. – no comment. Interest was shown in the 3<sup>rd</sup> party cover Insurance away from the Parish Room.

Item	Expenditure £	Income £
Clerks Wages –March	184.14	
Council Insurance policy	402.25	
HMRC Vat Refund		125.29
NSIB Interest		6.37
Parish Room Bookings Sunday school		40.00

**13 LAP Meeting Update**

Jim Bownass not present – a report detailing all issues from the last LAP meeting had been emailed to all councillors prior to this meeting.

**14 Parish Council Surgery**

Nothing to note, Bruce Worsley to attend

**15 Annual Parish Meeting**

Peter Windsor will be speaking on locals involved in 1<sup>st</sup> World War. Clerk asked to write to the school, WI, bowls club, playgroup and discussion group as possible interested parties to come specifically to hear Peter Windsor.

**16 Clean for the Queen**

Mary to advise any offers of help and organise for the following week for the litter pick.

**17 Pool Bank Woodland Management**

Andy Bennett from the Forestry commission would like to know if any councillors would like to meet at the site and discuss any issues that we had – no comments.

**18 Land at Tarnside for sale**

The Chair and vice chair have signed the transfer deed for the sale of land to Mr & Mrs Johnson. Completion imminent.

**19 Correspondence received- All noted by PC**

Letter from Lindsay Alder, Highways England. Regarding letter advising concerns on the A590 and requesting a roundabout again.

Free Legal advice from Burnetts in Carlisle to anyone needing it in connection with floods.

**Communications from this meeting**

**20 The council to agree topics to be communicated :**

Thanks to all the people who have contributed to the "Clean for the Queen" Litter pick  
Reminder of the annual Parish meeting to be held in the Memorial Hall at 7pm June 7<sup>th</sup> 2016. Peter Windsor will be the main speaker talking about the Locals in the 1<sup>st</sup> World War followed by a short report from the organisations/groups within the parish.

**21 Parish Council Meetings**

The date of the next parish meeting is Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2016  
Annual General meeting 17<sup>th</sup> May 2016

Joanne Taylor Clerk