

Loweswater Parish Council Meeting

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 6th Sept' 2018 at Loweswater Village Hall

Meeting opened: - The chairman declared the meeting open at 8.00pm.

Present: Cllrs K Leck (acting chair), L Meadley, C Todd, M Astley.

Cumbria County Councillor and Allerdale District. T Annison (ABC)

Clerk: Mike Milner, no members of the public

Apologies for absence: Cllrs K Mitchell (LPC) R Thompson (LPC) D Robinson(LPC)
A Bowness (CCC)

66.00 Apologies for absence

66.01 As noted above.

67.00 Declarations of interest. None

68.00 To read and approve the minutes of the last meeting of Loweswater parish council held on Thursday 5th July 2018.

68.01 Resolved to approve the minutes as a true and accurate record.

69.00 Public participation.

69.01 No members of the public present

70.00 Police matters

70.01 Clerk had a short police report which he read out. He confirmed that the next 10 weekly meeting between police and parish would be 24th October at Cockermouth police station 7-8pm.

71.00 Applications for development

71.01 7/2018/2154 Mast in School Field, Loweswater, development app withdrawn.

71.02 7/2018/2109 Highnook Beck, NT bridge repair approved

71.03 7/2018/2128 High Nook, Loweswater replacement windows, approved

71.04 7/2018/0197 Tarn Banks Farm, revised access submitted, no decision yet

72.00 Matters concerning District and County Councillors.

72.01 Cllr T.A (ABC) was present, he advised that he was now leader of the opposition at Allerdale, confirmed which committees he was on, and that there was nothing of real significance to report concerning Loweswater, but he would be working on their behalf.

After Cllr T.A's contribution he was advised he could leave or stay, he chose to stay

73.00 School Field Mast.

73.01 This planning application had created some controversy due to it being the first time the new LDNPA planning procedures had been used. LDNPA are no longer distributing paper application for developments to parish councils or notifying close neighbours of any applications, other than by site notice(s).

73.02 Clerk had produced and circulated prior to the meeting a planning procedure document. After some discussions at which it was made obvious that Loweswater PC deals with both LDNPA and Allerdale BC for planning, the clerk needed to produce two procedure documents. Allerdale though do provide a paper free distribution system and clerk to request Allerdale to use both system for a few months to establish if Councillors can receive and open electronic links.

73.03 Clerk to respond to an email of complaint which was asking for clarification about various aspects of how the parish council had handled the application.

74.00 Thackthwaite Green fence renewal work.

74.01 Cllr M A had brought along a quotation for the work to remove and replace the fencing at Thackthwaite Green. His quote was from Tom Lindsay and was for £400+VAT.

74.02 Clerk had received an emailed quotation for the work from Bigfoot Trees and Landscaping, £350, no VAT.

74.03 The parish council considered both quotations and finally approved the acceptance of the Tom Lindsay quotation, based on Cllrs knew of his fencing skills and standard of workmanship. Clerk to advise accordingly and request the work is commenced as soon as possible.

75.00 Progress report, inc Highways Matters. Clerk

75.01 Storage box for flood defence equipment is now securely attached to Mockerkin noticeboard.

75.02 Fangs Brow, clerk had emailed Highway's about cyclists speed, accidents and requesting a concealed entrance sign, all matters with Highway's traffic team for review.

75.03 Mockerkin Hall, ongoing work continues.

75.04 Broadband in Mockerkin, the electrification of cabinet 1 at Mockerkin has been delayed from end of September to November 2018.

75.05 Loweswater payphone has all the internal equipment but no landline connection, clerk to chase BT payphones.

75.06 Caravan at Mockerkin Tarn has been removed.

76.00 Loweswater Councillors reports.

76.01 Cllr K L requested that clerk chase the gasket material for noticeboards.

76.02 All councillors reported that when it rains at Fangs Brow on the new section of road, the drains are overflowing and there are water jets raising up into the air. Clerk requested that someone take photographic evidence and let him have that. He would then point out the problem to Highways.

77.00 Correspondence

77.01 Calc have advised a new system to calculate the parish's subscription for 2019/20, it will be £97.79 subject to inflation, the 2018/19 figure was £111.00

77.02 A letter from Workington Citizens Advice Bureau requesting a donation to cover funding. Councillors declined the request.

77.03 Invoice from Calc for £45.00 to cover Chairman's course.

77.04 Email of complaint about manner the planning application for the mast in School Field was dealt with by parish council. Minute 73.03 refers.

78.00.00 Payments for approval.

CALC Interpay 4, £45.00 Chairman's training course

M Milner Interpay 5, £226.90, salary £212.20 expenses £14.90.

HMRC PAYE Interpay 6, £42.52 credit of £10.68 deducted from due figure of £53.20

K Mitchell Interpay 7, £18.40 locks and chains to secure storage box at Mockerkin

All approved

79.00 Date and time of the next meeting Thursday 1st November 2018 at 8pm

Meeting closed at 8.41pm

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