

Egton with Newland, Mansriggs and Osmotherley Parish Council

Minutes of meeting held on 1 September 2020 Virtual Meeting

1312: Chairman opened meeting at 7.12pm.

Present.

Parish Councillors

Brian Campbell (Chair)
Colin Richards (Vice Chair)
Howard Graves
Denise Edmondson
Rebecca Thomas
Tony Mayo
Ian Green
Catherine Bettney
Sheila Hobson

Also Present

Cathy Child (Parish Clerk)
Janet Willis (County & District Councillor)

1313: Apologies: None received.

1314: Adoption of minutes from 7 July 2020 meeting.

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting of ENMO Parish Council held on 7 July 2020 be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

1315: Declarations of interest. No member declared any interests on items on the agenda.

1316: Public participation / report from County and District Councillors.

Nothing further to report from Cllr. Willis other than in discussion with Victoria Upton (Cumbria County Council) in respect of Penny Bridge bus stop, Spark Bridge road signs (not yet ordered).

Cllr. Willis is arranging a meeting with proposals for discussion around Greenodd parking issues prior to end of December 2020.

Also mentioned,

Signs for Broughton Beck Village Hall have been ordered.

Cutting of grass verges should be completed by 30/9/2020

1317: Progress update;

- a) **Rossie land lease:** No further update from SDLC will update at next meeting along with item c.
- b) **Rossie telephone kiosk** - Restoration of telephone kiosk.

Nothing further to report **Review at next meeting.**

- c) **Registration of Land** - formally register all Parish owned land. **Dependant on item a.**

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- d) **Milk Stand Wood** - Agreed to arrange Annual Inspection of Parish Land prior to next meeting.
Practical formalities / measures of complying with Covid 19 restrictions to be decided.
- e) **Sandhills Wood, Penny Bridge** – Clerk, Chair & Vice Chair to contact tenant prior to the review of the agreement in 2021.
- f) **Review verges and biodiversity at next Parish inspection.**
Recent reports of overgrown verges on A5092 at Spark Bridge.
Councillors to view County Council’s website on their policy.
Chair/Clerk to write to County Council if required.
- g) **Rent increases for Parish Council owned property:** Review advice of rents. Need to agree increase and then write to all tenants. Chair and Clerk to prepare letter advising tenants that rents will increase in time and in line with David Corrie’s professional valuation.
Agreed to increase rent’s over a two year period.
- h) **Traffic Issues on A5092 / Greenodd Bus stop parking issues:**
Any outcome from Cumbria County Council. **See item 1316.**
- i) **Spark Bridge traffic update** – update on Traffic Calming. **See item 1316.**
- j) **Penny Bridge Bus Stop safety issues** : update on signage being arranged. **See item 1316.**
- k) **The Farmers Arms Public House, Lowick:**
Any potential bidder has until 5pm 18 December 2020 to put together a viable bid.
Council is aware of two potential commercial bidders along with a local Community group who are interested in the site. Council agreed to wait to see what happens. **Update at next meeting.**
- l) **Memorial plaques** for bench at Spark Bridge:
Suggested ‘Simple Rules’ policy, applicants to apply to Council / Clerk, provide wording and size to be agreed.

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m) **Existing Parish notice boards:** Refurbishment of Greenodd and Spark Bridge Notice boards, as they exist within bus shelters. Official signs for all Notice boards.

New Parish Notice boards

Penny Bridge Cllr. Bettney has advised of proposed new site.

On grass at junction with High Garth and Oak Vale (behind salt bin).

Request for permission sent to Karen Dockery Highways, Cumbria CC on 26 August 2020.

Newland Clerk to write to landowner for permission of proposed new site.

Rossie new freestanding notice board required. **Suggested site at grass triangle.**

n) **Letter from Gedye & Sons Solicitors** advising bequest to Parish Council

Still awaiting further communication.

o) **Spark Bridge defibrillator** – now installed and ready for use.

Clerk to write to the new local co-ordinator to thank them for taking on this role.

p) **SLDC priorities for Parish Councils, nothing further to report. (on hold)**

q) **'In House' Training, 'The Effective Councillor Module 2'** Virtual courses now available.

Clerk has emailed CALC for available dates and cost.

1318: Planning Applications:

Planning Applications on attached sheet were noted.

1319: Correspondence:

a) **Notification from BT** of the removal of public payphone (01229 861225)

on A5092 opposite Penny Bridge Hall LA12 7RN

The official consultation period ends 18 October 2020.

SLDC require response by 11 October 2020.

Resolved Council agreed to take no action.

b) **Government White Paper on changes to planning in England.**

Document forwarded prior to meeting.

Consultation period ends 29th October 2020.

In view of the complexity of the matter, Council have agreed to hold a working group meeting prior to consultation period end. Clerk to arrange.

c) **The Great British September Clean** – SLDC are supporting this campaign 11 - 27 September 2020.

Noted and will be promoted on Council's Facebook Page.

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- d) **Sandhills Wood** - Tenant has requested permission from the Parish Council to install a container (8' x 8' x 10') on site, for secure storage following two thefts in 2020.

Tenant wants to arrange and install an electricity supply at his own cost. Concerns were raised that if tenant vacates the site who would be responsible for the electric supply.

Cllr. Campbell and Cllr. Richards to inspect the site.

1320: Ideas for donations and grants to support local groups.

Newland Iron Furnace Trust have approached Parish Council which will be discussed further at next meeting.

A Parish Car park. Cllr Thomas advised of another Parish Council having purchased a site and an 'honesty box' used for donations.

Cllr. Thomas / Clerk need to establish whether this land from the other Parish Council was purchased or leased.

1321: Unauthorised use of land at Plumpton.

On 4 August 2020 SDLC advised matter has been referred to an enforcement officer.

Update at next meeting.

1322: Osmotherley Water Main: Response from United Utilities confirming the pipe cannot support any further properties, further update.

No further action by the Parish Council at this stage however will monitor for further developments.

1323: Armadale Hotel site at Arrad Foot. Concerns over condition of site.

Complaint form forwarded to SLDC on 1 September 2020, referred to an Enforcement Officer.

Update at next meeting.

1324: AirBnb : This was raised by a member of the public at the meeting held on 3 March 2020. Due to Covid 19 matter was put on hold.

Cllr. Campbell to circulate email regarding the latest position on AirBnb.

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1325: Spark Bridge

- a) Removal of fencing around the public land at the end of Crake Mount.

Cllr.Campbell and Cllr.Richards to arrange a site visit.

Also need to contact SDLC as to what rights this piece of land has.

- b) Removal of the once helpful but now very battered and worn child safety signs in Spark Bridge.
Need to write to Penny Bridge School regarding removal and who these signs need to be returned. Also mention that Traffic calming measures are due to be implemented in the area.
- c) Expressions of interest from local residents in the public owned land (almost opposite the Village Hall)
Cllr Richards has received two separate expressions of interest to purchase this land (linked with item a)

1326: Other items from Councillors,

- a) To hold regular Parish Council Surgeries.
- b) Grant Funding – To support elderly and vulnerable people / school children within the Parish.
- c) Climate Change Community Fund, launched by SLDC.
Items a,b,c to be promoted through the Council's Facebook page.
Councillor's to advise Clerk about personal phone numbers on Parish Notice Boards.
Cllr.Thomas looking in to organising monthly Parish Council Surgeries.
- d) **Proposed footpath. Matter to be put on hold until further information is available.**

1327: Clerk's report: Financial Statement as per separate sheet.

Owing to expenditure for Spark Bridge Defibrillator arrange transfer from 30 day notice account.

Agreed - Clerk to arrange transfer of £2,000.

Clerk to arrange a meeting for the 'working finance group' prior to the next Parish Council meeting to discuss next year's precept.

Chairman closed meeting at 8.30pm.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 3 November 2020 at 7pm. Venue and format to be arranged.

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