

Egton with Newland, Mansriggs and Osmotherley Parish Council Minutes of meeting held on 5 January 2021 Virtual meeting

1342: Chairman to opened meeting at 7pm.

Present. Parish Councillors
Brian Campbell (Chair)
Colin Richards (Vice Chair)
Denise Edmondson
Tony Mayo
Ian Green
Sheila Hobson
Catherine Bettney
Rebecca Thomas

Also Present

Cathy Child (Parish Clerk)
Janet Willis (County & District Councillor)
Three members of the Public.

1343: Apologies: Howard Graves.

1344: Adoption of minutes from 3 November 2020 meeting to be signed by Chairman.

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting of ENMO Parish Council held on 3 November 2020 be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

1345: Declarations of interest. **No member declared any interests on items on the agenda.**

1346: Public participation / report from County and District Councillor.

a) Report form Cllr. Willis.

No further progress to report on the following;

Penny Bridge Bus Stop.

Traffic Calming issues in Spark Bridge

Traffic Issues on A5092/ Greenodd Bus Stop. Agenda items 1348 (h) (i) (j)

Parish Council agreed that as all of these matters have become protracted Clerk to write to Angela Jones, Corporate Director at Cumbria County Council (with a copy to Cllr. Willis).

No update on New Unitary Authority for Cumbria Item 1348(s) however there is a meeting later this week.

b) Two members of the public regarding recent flooding at Arrad Foot . See item 1348(n).

As a result of a water course and drainage problem a major issue occurred following a flash flood on 1st November 2020 with £60K worth of damage to a property.

Site meeting was held with Cumbria County Council in December 2020. Report received recommending to replace two ineffective screens a.s.a.p.

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CCC Highways have responsibility to replace these although clarification on who owns a third screen is sought. Unless urgent action is taken the properties / area remain at high risk of being flooded again.

Any replacement screens will still require regular maintenance however the appointment of a Lengthsman will require an increase in the precept.

The Parish Council needs to press CCC to take urgent action to repair / rectify this issue. Also, to write to landowners along watercourse reminding them to keep free from debris. **Update at meeting March 2021**

c) One member of the public regarding Spark Bridge Canoe England signs. See item 1352(a).

Access sign was removed by Canoe England in December 2020 as it was out of date. Canoe England seek clear access to all waterways.

Parish Council as landowners need to be consulted in a new access agreement. In principle the Parish Council would have no objections to the use of the land.

Canoe England have referred this matter to their Regional Development Team in Cumbria to whom we should contact in the future.

Clerk to arrange meeting.

1347: Monies on 30 day notice account / capital expenditure.

Minutes of informal meeting held 8th December 2020 as circulated prior to meeting.

Council reviewed and approved Capital Account expenditure to date, as circulated to all Councillors prior to the meeting.

Councillors agreed that prior to the next council meeting to identify a couple of items to make progress on.

- a) Flower tubs for display within the Parish. Research by Cllr. Richards and Cllr. Green.
- b) Development of picnic area by River Crake. Research by Cllr. Mayo and Cllr. Green.
- c) Heritage Boards. Research by Cllr. Campbell and Cllr. Bettney.
- d) Footpath at Broughton Beck Church and Mill Rooms at Broughton Beck. Research by Cllr. Edmondson.
- e) Making better use of existing Parish owned land / designate to a nature reserve, ie. Milk Stand Wood. Research by Cllr. Thomas.

Other suggestions to be discussed further at next Parish Council Meeting,

- 1) Car park at Greenodd.
- 2) Ownership of land at Spark Bridge for allotments.
- 3) Vehicle electric charging points.

1348: Progress update;

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a) **Rosside land lease:** advice has been received from SLDC (circulated with papers). Matter will be resolved at next Osmotherley Parish Meeting which is unlikely to be held until Spring 2021.

b) **Rosside telephone kiosk** – Update on restoration. **Nothing further to report.**

c) **Registration of Land** - formally register all Parish owned land (see a)

Chairman reported that Sandhills Wood and half of the land at Spark Bridge (between allotments and the two garages) are registered in the name of the Parish Council. Also see item 1348(g)

d) **Milk Stand Wood** - Review in Annual Inspection, due to be held Spring 2021 **Review at March 2021 meeting.**

e) **Sandhills Wood, Penny Bridge**

Clerk, Chair & Vice Chair to contact tenant prior to the review of the agreement in September 2021. £400 annual rent due to be paid from tenant on 7th September 2021.

Electricity supply and removal of ash dieback. Tenant will not install the electricity supply until the terms of the renewal of the lease has been agreed.

f) **Review verges and biodiversity at next Parish inspection.** Parish Inspection delayed until at least Spring 2021 owing to practicalities over Covid 19 issues. **Review at March 2021 meeting.**

g) **Rent increases for Parish Council owned property:** Authority from Council required for Clerk to approach a lawyer for quotes to put rental agreements on a formal / legal basis.

Agreed by the Council for Clerk to approach two local firms of Solicitors for quotes to prepare a new lease for Sandhills Wood and standard forms for either licences or leases for the four garages at Penny Bridge and two garages at Spark Bridge. These to be dealt with at the same time of the registration of Parish land, see item 1348 (c). Budget for work between £500 - £1,000.

Proposed by Cllr. Richards, seconded by Cllr. Hobson.

h) **Traffic Issues on A5092 / Greenodd Bus stop parking issues:** any outcome from Cumbria County Council. **See Item 1346(a)**

i) **Spark Bridge traffic update** – update on Traffic Calming. **See item 1346(a)**

j) **Penny Bridge Bus Stop safety issues:** update on signage being arranged. **See item 1346(a)**

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k) The Farmers Arms Public House, Lowick:

Grizedale Arts are in negotiation with the Vendor with a view to purchase the property and are looking to exchange contracts in January 2021.

Grizedale Arts have raised in excess of £300k from local residents with further funding from Architectural Heritage of up to £400k. Parish Council to send Grizedale Arts their best wishes for success.

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

Clerk to contact company on North Lonsdale Road, Ulverston for quotes and also official signs required for bus shelters.

New Parish Notice Boards for; Penny Bridge, Newland and Rosside

Update from Cllr. Mayo. Work in progress Update at March 2021 meeting.

m) **Gedye & Sons Solicitors** bequest to Parish Council. Interim distribution of £9,350 received 14/12/2020 and applied to the 30 day notice account. May be some time before the estate is concluded. **Noted by Council.**

n) **Damaged drainage grill at Arrad Foot.** Report from Chairman and Cllr. Mayo of meeting held with Cumbria County Council in December 2020. **See item 1346(b)**

o) **Closure of permissive access route around Mearness Point.** Holker Estate have agreed to reinstate footpath subject to the issue of permits.

Parish Council will have an article published in February 2021 Coniston and Crake Valley News.

p) **Climate Change Study with Lancaster University Student.** Awaiting further report from Lancaster University. Update at next meeting.

q) **Greenodd Parking issues.** Notices displayed at Greenodd, collating responses from residents. Also, Chairman to compose a questionnaire to residents of Main Street.

Parish Council to table the responses from local residents and advise County Council Scheme. Parish Council objects to the 2 hour restriction outside the village hall, recommend at least 4 hours.

r) **Lakeland Land Rover proposed development of garage site at Greenodd.** Chairman to contact Lakeland Land Rover for an update.

Chairman in consultation with Lakeland Land Rover who have agreed to look at providing public parking and also for the permissive footpath to be made a public right of way. Parish Council need to formally write to Lakeland Land Rover.

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Also need to write to Peill & Co, who manage the Crake Industrial Estate, thanking them for their recent meeting and their agreement to provide more public parking. The Parish Council will support any application they may make in this respect.

s) **New Unitary Authority for Cumbria, see item 1346(a)**

t) **SLDC priorities for Parish Councils update Nothing further to report.**

u) **Unauthorised use of land at Plumpton.** With Enforcement Officer, chased authority 5/11/2020 and 16/12/2020. **Nothing further to report.**

v) **Armadale Hotel site at Arrad Foot.** With Enforcement Officer and still under investigation. **Nothing further to report.**

w) **Grants & Donations**

Develop a policy on Grants and Donations. Identify a Councillor who is willing to champion project to work with Clerk. **Agreed Chairman and Clerk to work together on this project.**

x) **Parish Surgeries** update on progress. **Nothing further to report.**

1349: Planning Applications:

See attached sheet:

1350: Parish Budget / Precept 2021, Parish Council to agree Precept and complete and sign forms.

Parish Councillors voted not to increase Parish Precept 2021 - 2022. Precept agreed at £8,015.15.

Proposed by Cllr. Campbell, seconded by Cllr. Richards. Unanimously agreed by the whole Council.

1351: Re appoint John Silcock Garden Services.

Confirm the following;

- a) Public Liability Insurance.
- b) Risk Assessment.
- c) Review prices.

Agreed Clerk to write to John Silcock and also to instruct him to trim the hedge at Greenodd beside the village hall.

1352: Correspondence;

- a) Spark Bridge. Canoe England signs at River Crake. **See item 1346(c).**
- b) Proposed extension of 40mph speed limit A5092 Penny Bridge to Spark Bridge. Email circulated to councillors prior to the meeting.

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Cumbria County Council require feedback sheets to be returned by 11th January 2021.

Agreed to write to CCC Highways that subject to the speed limit between Penny Bridge and Greenodd Village (at present 40mph) being reduced to 30mph that the Parish Council has no objections to the proposals.

- c) Damage to an old road sign near Low Flan Farm, near Ulverston (B5281) following an Incident 11/12/2020. Parish Council to consider making a claim to cover costs of repair to road sign.

Clerk to write to the culprit to seek reimbursement of costs.

- d) CALC training courses January – June 2021. Details emailed to Councillors prior to meeting. **Noted**

- e) North West coastal path December 2020 newsletter, as circulated prior to meeting. **Noted.**

Chairman advised that a letter is being sent to the two MP's bringing to their attention for the approval of the coastal path to be brought forward as a priority.

1353: Other items from Councillors

- a) Flooding reported at the rail underpass, Plumpton
Cllr. Mayo reported that he has been in communication with Network Rail.
It is an ongoing problem and a further up date at next meeting.

1354: Clerk's report: Financial Statement as per separate sheet.

Chairman Closed meeting at 9pm.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 2 March 2021 at 7pm. Venue – TBA