

Egton with Newland, Mansriggs and Osmotherley Parish Council  
Minutes of meeting held on 2 March 2021 Virtual meeting

**1355:** Chairman 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.

**1356:** Apologies: Howard Graves. **Council noted that Cllr Graves had been unable to attend the last three Parish Council meetings due to ill health. However, he had continued to support the Council.**

**The Council agreed to make provision so he can continue in this capacity.**

**1357:** Adoption of minutes from 5 January 2021 meeting to be signed by Chairman.

**Resolved that the minutes of the meeting of ENMO Parish Council held on 5 January 2021 be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.**

**1358:** Declarations of interest.

**No member declared any interests on items on the agenda.**

**1359:** Public participation / report from County and District Councillors.

**a) Members of the Public**

Planning application 7/2021/5041 Heater Point, Spark Bridge, Ulverston LA12 8BS

A representation was made over concerns at this application which was discussed by the Council and agreed that a further letter be sent to LDNPA, as a matter of urgency, regarding the following,

- 1) That the trees have already been felled.
- 2) Concerns over privacy with the increase in height over the garage and the large ceiling to floor window which overlooks bedrooms of a neighbouring property.

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**Access to River Crake at Spark Bridge**

One member of the Public has concerns of there not being an access arrangement, however is happy that the signs have been put back as an interim measure. Also that Canoe England are happy to discuss this further with a view to a more permanent arrangement.

**Council is looking to hold a meeting with Canoe England in the next couple of weeks and are conscious of the wild life / bird nesting issues.**

**b) Report form Cllr. Willis.**

Local Government reform will go ahead with three proposals which have been put forward.

A single unitary authority would be the best option and have a better voice.

Impact on Covid is that Council and District elections will not take place in May 2021.

However, Police & Crime Commission elections and any by - elections will take place.

There will be a by - election following the standing down of Cllr. James Airey.

**1360: Highways Issues**

a) **Spark Bridge traffic update** - as circulated prior to meeting. Council agreed to respond to support these proposals as a good start but would require further signage in the future. Initial signs to be implemented as soon as possible.

b) **Penny Bridge Bus Stop safety issues** – as circulated prior to meeting. Council agreed that the proposed signs were OK and should be implemented as soon as possible. However further signage for the Bus Stop and warning signs of children are required as a matter of urgency.

**c) Traffic Issues on A5092 / Greenodd Bus stop parking issues**

Also refer to item 1361 (d)

The Parish Council has recently undertaken a survey of parking issues, however the next stage is a public meeting with Cumbria County Council, maybe later in the year when Covid 19 restrictions have been lifted, to discuss this matter further.

**1361: Items for discussion ;**

a) **The Farmers Arms Public House, Lowick:** Appeal from Grizedale Arts for further funding.

The Council agreed they would like to possibly support this in the future.

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**b) New / refurbishment of Parish Council Notice Boards.**

New - Penny Bridge, Newland, Rosside

Refurbishment - Greenodd and Spark Bridge. New signs quoting the whole Parish Council 'Egton with Newland, Mansriggs and Osmotherley Parish Council' need to be quoted, ordered and installed. Clerk to contact sign company in North Lonsdale Road, Ulverston.

**School signs / art for bus stop / display posters.** A2 size

Virtual Notice Boards – Website, Facebook, Twitter.

Estimates were circulated prior to the meeting which the Councillors were happy with. Notice Boards are to be made from oak.

**Cllr Mayo has arranged for quotes for the notice boards and will provide the Clerk with details. Council agreed to proceed with the new notice boards for Penny Bridge and Newland.**

**c) Monies held on 30 day notice account. Update on proposed projects,**

Flower Tubs, Nature Reserve, Picnic Bench, Heritage Boards, Footpath at Broughton Beck Church

**Nature Reserve.** Cllrs. Thomas & Mayo circulated a detailed report of their recent survey, which has yet to be fully completed. They will need to consult with Cumbria Wildlife Trust and report further at the next meeting.

**Flower Tubs.** Cllr Richards had researched this matter and confirmed that the main issue would be the ongoing maintenance of the tubs. A further suggestion that the Council plants bulbs in the triangle in Greenodd which would be low maintenance and low cost.

**d) Greenodd Parking issues.** Report from survey of local residents.

Provision of a public car park in Greenodd, consultation with Peill & Co. who manage the Crake Industrial Estate.

The survey and questionnaire were the first step in resolving this complex issue. The Parish Council are not in a position to resolve this on their own but look to work out how to deal with these set of issues.

Peill & Co had proposed that the Council make a large financial contribution (£10k) towards the car park.

The Council suggested that the local businesses, whose customers would benefit from a car park, should make a financial contribution. The Council have already advised Peill & Co that they would fully support a planning application but not support it with substantial funds.

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**Agreed to post the results / finding of the survey & questionnaire, when finalised on website and notice boards.**

e) **Local Government reorganisation consultation.** Will close on 19<sup>th</sup> April 2021 as circulated prior to meeting.

A disadvantage of the Bay Unitary Authority is that the bay would inevitably be on the receiving end of a lot of river catchments over which the Parish Council had limited influence of upstream management. This potentially raises the flooding risk, although this should be overseen by the Environment Agency.

**Council agreed to respond to this consultation supporting the Cumbria proposal, single authority 'Cumbria has an identity' as the best solution. Clerk to arrange.**

**1362: Clerk's report, progress update;**

a) **Rossidale land lease:** Matter will be resolved at next Osmotherley Parish Meeting which is unlikely to be held until Spring 2021.

b) **Rossidale telephone kiosk** – Update on restoration.

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

d) **Milk Stand Wood** - Review in Annual Inspection, due to be held Summer 2021.

e) **Sandhills Wood, Penny Bridge**

£400 annual rent due to be paid from tenant on 7th September 2021. New lease to be prepared.

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

g) **Rent increases for Parish Council owned property:** Clerk has contacted three local firms of solicitors for quotes on preparation of new rental agreements / licenses.

h) **Damaged drainage grill at Arrad Foot.** Flooding of property and proposed Community Flood Plan.

i) **Climate Change Study with Lancaster University Student.** Awaiting further report from Lancaster University, chased for update 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2021.

j) **Lakeland Land Rover proposed development of garage site at Greenodd.** Jaguar Land Rover have yet to approve the plans.

k) **Unauthorised use of land at Plumpton.** With Enforcement Officer, chased authority 5/11/2020 and 16/12/2020.

l) **Armada Hotel site at Arrad Foot.** With Enforcement Officer and still under investigation.

m) **Grants & Donations** Develop a policy on Grants and Donations.

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- n) **Canoe England** signs at River Crake access.
- o) **Damage to old road sign near Low Flan Farm**
- p) **Flooding at rail underpass**, Plumpton
- q) **Parish Surgeries** - on hold due to Covid 19 issues

**The Council noted the above and the Clerk to arrange the annual inspection after 21<sup>st</sup> June 2021 subject to the lifting of Covid restrictions.**

**1363: Planning Applications:**

See attached sheet:

**1364: Correspondence;**

- a) Thank you letter from Crake Valley Friendship Club for the donation made in 2020.
  - b) Nature recovery event held 25/2/2021
  - c) Possible return to face to face meetings after 7<sup>th</sup> May 2021 (as circulated 15/2/2021)
- Council noted the above.**

**1365: Other items from Councillors**

- a) **The Greening Campaign** – report from meeting 16<sup>th</sup> February 2021  
**Council noted the above and a further report at next meeting.**

**1366: Clerk's Financial Statement** as per separate sheet.

**Chairman closed meeting at 9.07pm**

**Date of next meeting:** Tuesday 4 May 2021 at 7pm. Venue – TBA