1535: Chairman opened meeting at 7pm

Present

Councillors

Brian Campbell (Chair)

Ian Green (Vice Chair)

Denise Edmondson

Tony Mayo

**Cheryl Douglas** 

Barbara Hind

Also present.

Cathy Child (Clerk)

5 members of the public

**1536**: **Apologies:** received in advance and in writing from Cllrs. Sheila Hobson, Philippa Hartley and Cath Hempsall. District Cllr. Matt Brereton

### 1537: Adoption of minutes from 4<sup>th</sup> July 2023 meeting to be signed by Chairman.

It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting of ENMO Parish Council on 4<sup>th</sup> July 2023 be confirmed as a true copy and signed by the Chairman.

**1538: Declarations of interest.** No member present declared any interests on items on the agenda.

### 1539: Public participation / report from Westmorland and Furness Councillor

Westmoreland and Furness Councillor not present

Green Sparks – 2 representatives were present.

Prior to this meeting they had submitted a proposal for an information lectern on the village green at Spark Bridge (which would replace an existing information board) They wanted approval from the Parish Council before taking this matter forward.

The Parish Council agreed that they had no objections and fully support their idea.

They will prepare a budget for costs / fund raising for the next Parish Council meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2023.

**Spark Bridge Allotments** – one of the new tenants was present.

The Clerk will write to the existing 5 allotment holders:

To arrange a site meeting with Councillors, and

To meet the new tenants.

Tarn Close – 2 residents were present.

Concern from the residents at Tarn Close over the condition of the trees who reported that they had obtained advice from their own independent tree surgeon. The Parish Council have requested that any report / findings should be emailed to the clerk. This would then be reviewed in light of the Council's report from its own tree surgeon and action taken after consultation with the residents. It was confirmed that any trees felled would be replaced.

#### 1540: Items for discussion/ Report on progress

a) Parking spaces on Parish Land at the rear of The Thimbles-Licences with Livingstons Solicitors- to agree for the Chair / Clerk to sign the licences on behalf of The Parish Council.

Motion – The Parish Council resolved that the Chair / Clerk be authorised to sign the licences on behalf of The Parish Council. Proposed by Cllr. Barbara Hind Seconded by Cllr. Cheryl Douglas

- b) Spark Bridge Allotments –
   To pass a resolution to consider these allotments to be a statutory allotment.
   Motion The Parish Council resolved that the 6 allotments at Spark Bridge be declared as 'Statutory Allotments'
   Proposed by Cllr. Ian Green Seconded by Cllr. Denise Edmondson
- c) Highways Chair reported that he had set up (on behalf of The Parish Council) an online account whereby issues e.g., potholes can be reported to Highways quickly and effectively. He also reported that W&F Council were in the process of approving a new policy on the introduction of 20mph speed limits that would offer a way to get 20mph limits in Penny Bridge and Greenodd. This issue would be looked into and brough to the next meeting.

Cllr. Brereton will attend the next Parish Council meeting.

- d) Local flooding issues. an issue has been reported to the council from a resident in Rosside regarding flooding (and Highway) issues which the Council will report to Westmoreland and Furness DC on his behalf.
- e) Resilience Plan/Emergency planning meeting held 7<sup>th</sup> August 2023 Minutes of this meeting were forwarded to all Councillors.

Cllr. Ian Green who attended this meeting gave a summary of what was discussed and one of the proposals was for an emergency contact card for residents to keep by their phone.

The Parish Council and Greenodd Village Hall committee are seeking funding from The ENWL Storm Arwen Community Resilience Fund and will report on progress at next meeting in November.

- f) Rosside Trees at Tarn Close report on progress- see item 1539.
- g) Hatherthwaite GP Surgery notice of eviction. The council agreed that they would potentially provide funding for the hire of a hall for any public meeting which would be required – budget up to £100.
- h) Parish Plan to be reviewed.

Cllr. Barbara Hind kindly produced version 2 of the discussion document which was circulated to the councillors at the meeting. It was agreed that an informal meeting to be held prior to the next council meeting preferably at Penny Bridge school. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss updating the Parish Plan and take forward the work done by Cllr. Hind.

- i) Finance Working Group it was agreed that the Clerk would prepare a budget forecast and circulate it prior to the next meeting.
   It was mentioned by Cllr. Tony Mayo that owing to the lack of maintenance of the new trees at Sheriff Well Quarry that some of the trees would need to be replaced an estimated budget of £300.
- j) CALC Training Courses- Clerk has arranged courses for new councillors.
- k) Other meetings any reports from councillors regarding the attendance of meetings Potholes via Microsoft team on 19<sup>th</sup> July 2023 with Westmoreland & Furness highways team.
   Cllr Barbara Hind circulated a report on the meeting she had attended.
- Agree date for meeting in January 2023
   It was agreed that the Parish Council meeting held in January should be permanently moved to the second Tuesday (as opposed to the first Tuesday. The council agreed to this.

1541: Planning Applications. - as per attached
1542: Clerk's report (for ongoing matters) as per attached
1543: Correspondence - Relevant emails as circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting
1544: Clerk's financial statement. - as per attached
Chairman Closed meeting at 8.40pm

Next Parish Council Meeting -Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2023 7pm at Greenodd Village Hall