

**Egton with Newland, Mansriggs and Osmotherley Parish Council**  
**Minutes of meeting held Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2024**  
**7pm at Greenodd Village Hall**

**1555: Chairman opened meeting at 7pm.**

**Present**

**Brian Campbell (Chair)**

**Ian Green (Vice Chair)**

**Denise Edmondson**

**Tony Mayo**

**Cheryl Douglas**

**Barbara Hind**

**Sheila Hobson**

**Philippa Hartley**

**Also present.**

**Cathy Child (Clerk)**

**Matt Brereton W&F District Councillor**

**16 members of the public**

**1556: Apologies:** Received from Cath Hemsall in writing and in advance of the meeting

**1557: Adoption of minutes from 7<sup>th</sup> November 2023 meeting to be signed by Chairman.**

It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting of ENMO Parish Council on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2023 be confirmed as a true copy and signed by the Chairman.

**1558: Declarations of interest.** No member present declared any interests on items on the agenda.

**1559: Public participation / report from Westmorland and Furness Councillor**

Members of the public representing the residents from Tarn Close as to the progress with the maintenance of the trees.

The Council reported that Andrew Hitching (Tarn Close resident's appointed Tree Surgeon) emailed the Clerk on 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2024 with the invoice. The Clerk responded to him to proceed with this work.

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Matt Brereton (W&F District Councillor) attended his first ENMO Parish Council meeting. The Chair had submitted a list of issues to him in advance of the meeting which included.

Green Bins, Grit Bins and Heaps, Potholes and highway faults.

Cllr. Brereton responded in that he is aware of all these issues and in his capacity as District Councillor will be taking these forward with the relative authorities.

Members of the public attended the meeting regarding serious flooding issues at Plumpton and Arrad Foot.

A spokes person presented a very detailed report on issues at Plumpton that were raised to the authorities 14 months ago and still serious flooding in the area. The flooding is causing serious concerns for residents and if not resolved quickly and effectively poses a potential threat to life.

A resident from Arrad Foot reported of ongoing issues with ineffective trash screens on the river which had also been reported to one of the landowners where there is a trash screen positioned on his land.

The Parish Council proposes to write to all authorities. Westmoreland and Furness Council, The Environment Agency, Highways Agency with a view to arranging a meeting to establish exactly their duties and responsibilities.

Matt Brereton also mentioned that these matters should be brought to the attention of the local MP Simon Fell

Hvperfast GB Project – This is fibre optic broadband network committed to bringing high speed broadband to rural communities. This is particularly important as many people rely on working from home.

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**1560: Precept. To agree precept 2024/25 – Budget forecast as circulated in advance of this meeting.**

The Councillors voted to set the precept at £8,000 same level as last year. The Council approve this and was proposed by Cllr. Green and seconded by Cllr. Hartley

**Therefore, it was resolved that at the meeting held 9<sup>th</sup> January 2024 to request the sum of £8,000 (eight thousand pounds) from the Council Tax of the Parish to meet the expenses of the Parish Council/ meeting.**

**1561: Items for discussion/ Report on progress**

- a) Issues reported from Parishioners. See agenda item 1559  
Flooding at Plumpton (Moss Nook)  
Arrad Foot Farm, Inadequate Trash Screens on the river.  
Grit Bins – signs required to emphasize only for use on the Highway / Public Footpaths  
Hyperfast G B Project
- b) Parking spaces on Parish Land at the rear of The Thimbles – in progress. Agreement have been sent to the tenants awaiting completion and receipt of rents. Clerk to monitor.
- c) Spark Bridge Allotments- in progress Two agreements sent out to the new allotment holders. One has been returned and rent paid. Clerk to monitor the return of the other agreement and payment.
- d) Highways – any updates  
Chair reported that the Parish Council's application has been submitted for the reduction in speed limits through Greenodd and Penny Bridge (20mph). Need support of the local community i.e emails and also a petition. Clerk to prepare the petition document.

A forum / meeting was proposed for the Parish Council to meet at least once a year along with neighbouring Parish Councils with a representative from Highways. Matt Brereton is in support of this and suggested a yearly meeting September/October time.

- e) Resilience Plan/Emergency planning – Greenodd Village Hall committee have submitted an application for grant funding on £1,000.  
It was reported that the Village Hall Committee have now received this grant in full. Further update on progress of the works required at the next meeting (March 2024)

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- f) Rosside – Trees at Tarn Close – report on progress- see agenda item 1559.
- g) Parish Plan – update on progress

A Development Officer from ACTION with Communities in Cumbria gave a presentation on the support and funding available to Parish Councils in support of their preparation and delivery of Parish Plans.

The Parish Council agreed to set up a working group of 3 Councillors initially Cllr. Hind, Cllr. Campbell and Cllr. Hartley with a view to present at the next meeting in March a way forward with the plan.

- h) Heritage Projects – Documents emailed to Councillors by Cllr. Hind in advance of the meeting for discussion and approval including the budget.

The Parish Council thanked Cllr. Hind for the hard work and preparation of the documents which were submitted prior to the meeting.

A group of initially 3 Councillors Cllr. Hind, Cllr. Green and Cllr. Douglas would take this forward and make a presentation at the next meeting in March 2024

Starter budget of £800 (eight hundred pounds) unanimously agreed by all Councillors present at the meeting.

- j) Donation requests –

Crake Valley Friendship Club Christmas lunch and room hire £250.00

Newland Furnace Trust - to help with administration costs £250.00

Ulverston Resilience – TBA

Both of the above were unanimously agreed by all the Councillors present at the meeting. Cllr. Green to contact Ulverston Resilience.

**1562: Planning Applications.** - as per attached

**1563: Clerk's report (for ongoing matters)** as per attached

**1564: Correspondence** - Relevant emails as circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting

**1565: Clerk's financial statement.** - as per attached

**Next Parish Council Meeting -Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2024 7pm at Greenodd Village Hall**

**Chairman closed meeting at 9.20pm**