

# **Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Moresby Parish Council held on the 6<sup>th</sup> September 2010**

**1. Attendance:** Chairman Cllr Lawson, Cllrs Coward, Horricks, Mackay, McAdam, McGuirk, Morgan, Troughton, Young, Ward Cllr Blackwell, County Cllr Ross, and the Clerk. One member of the public was present.

**2 Apologies and Announcements:** There was an apology from Cllr Clarke.

**3. Approval of the last minutes:** The minutes of the July 2010 meeting were agreed.

**4 Declaration of Member's Interests:** It was agreed that should an item arise where it was proper for a declaration of interest to be made it would be done at that stage.

**5. a) Ward/County Councillor.** Ward Cllr Blackwell said that he had asked the enforcement team to patrol the area and problems with dog fouling had been noted. He said that the enforcement team were to return. He asked for dog fouling signs to be erected near the play area. He said he continued to work with the drainage and flood officer at the district council concerning the problems both in Low Moresby and in Moresby Parks. County Cllr Ross said that he had been mistaken when he said at the last meeting that a contribution from the capital grant fund could be made towards the cost of the ride on mower. He said he was looking at two schemes in his division where the grant might be used. However he said time was running short and the parish council agreed that rather than the grant is lost they should submit the scheme for village signs.

**b) Public Participation** Mr Sewell said that he had no contact with the school about the school governor post. The clerk said he would write to the head teacher. The clerk said that he had raised with the Copeland Overview and Scrutiny Committee the question of door step collection and had been advised that the matter was to be reviewed in November 2010. The clerk id that a further matter had been raised with the OSC about the inequality of payment by residents in Whitehaven as compared with Moresby and had been told that the matter was to be discussed by senior officers at the district council before further action was taken.

**6 Calendar of events.** The clerk said that a meeting of the Howgate partnership would be held on the 14<sup>th</sup> September 2010 when the main item would be a discussion about managing radioactive waste safely. It was agreed to advise Calc that the parish council believed that they should contact to represent the town and parish councils on the partnership. A second item on the Howgate agenda would be to agree to take forward the application to employ a parish steward in the four parishes. The cost would be spread over 30 months and with the Eden Leader meeting 60% of the costs and Copeland B C 20% it would mean the four councils would be only need to find a relatively small amount the parish council agreed to support the project. Other events were noted as listed in the agenda. County Cllr Ross said he would make enquiries about the venue of the Neighbourhood Forum.

**7 Police Report** The chairman welcomed PC Dempster and PCSO Lace to the

meeting. PCSO Adam Lace said had started in the area after transferring from Workington. PC Dempster said that she was working in the area as well as Mirehouse. Details were given of the matters logged with the police over the last two months and whilst it was said that these were few, problems of drug taking and anti-social behaviour were again starting to emerge. It was noted that matters were again not being reported to the police. Adam Lace said that there was a problem with a wild cat in the village and he had spoken to the RSPCA officer. He noted the parish councils concerns about vandalism at the play area. The clerk said he would contact the parks department at the district council about glass in the play area. PCSO circulated the latest newsletter.

## **8. Traffic/ Highways.**

i) Village Signs The clerk apologised for not pushing this issue but said he would write to the neighbourhood forum office as discussed in 5a) above.

ii) POPE submission. The clerk said that he had made representations to the Highways Agency in terms agreed at the last Howgate meeting and the same submission had gone to the county council as a response to the Cumbria Transport Plan consultation. It was thought that wagons from the fish factory were now using the U4009 through Low Moresby to reach the A595. The clerk said that he would make the traffic manager aware of this development.

## **9. Planning Applications and Notifications**

### Applications

- i) Two storey extension 9 Eagles Way Moresby Parks
- ii) Balcony above existing extension and erection of external store 17 Manesty Rise Low Moresby
- iii) New dwelling plot 7 land adjacent to Railway Cottages
- iv.) Removal of existing outbuildings and erection of extension to main house to create new dwelling Croft Hill Quality Corner Moresby
- v) Single storey extension 107 Moresby Parks
- vi.) Conversion and extension Ghyll Brow Low Moresby

There were no objections in respect of any application

### Notifications

- i) Conservatory 4 Dent Road Moresby Parks
- ii) New dwelling former Mission House Moresby Parks Road
- iii) Single storey extension 107 Moresby Parks

Ward Cllr Blackwell made a personal declaration as a member of the district council planning panel

**10 Audit** The external auditor have completed the audit and said that there are no matters which came to their attention which require the issuing of a separate additional issues arising report. The annual report was then presented to the council. It was approved and accepted

## **11. Correspondence**

- a) The district council had sent a copy of a planning enforcement manual that they had recently published
- b) The police authority had written advising that a forum would be held at Thornhill social club on the 5<sup>th</sup> October 2010.
- c) Cumbria County Playing Fields Association had sent a copy of their annual report.
- d) Notification of the annual meeting of the Copeland local committee of the county council with the town and parish councils in Copeland to be held on the 22<sup>nd</sup>

September 2010 at Cleator Moor starting at 6.30 pm had been received.

- e) Calc had sent copies of a guide from the association “Being a good Employer”
- f) The district council had copied a letter from Fields in Trust about nominating sites for new Queen Elizabeth II fields in time for the Diamond Jubilee and the Olympics.
- g) A card of thanks from Sam Maddison had been received. He had raised over £2500 for the Great North Air Ambulance service.
- h) The district council had written advising that they were undertaking a review of the statement of licensing policy.
- i) Product information from SMP playgrounds, Arien signs and Glasdon seating and shelters had been received.
- j) The society of local council clerks had provided information about cemetery management.
- k) The “No need for nuclear” campaign had sent a copy of their newsletter.
- l) The county council were consulting on a Cumbria Landscape Character Guidance and Toolkit document.
- m) An open space and play study in Copeland survey document had been received
- n) Notification of the temporary closure of Yeathouse Quarry Household Waste Recycling Centre had been received.
- o) The district council had notified the parish council that their external overview and scrutiny committee were asking for views on the proposed closure of the Whitehaven Magistrates and County Courts.
- p) The DVLA had provided a registration certificate for the Kubota mowing machine.

### **12 Cheques to be approved for payment**

100890	AON Ltd	(Insurance)	£102.93
100891	BDO	(Audit Fee)	£158.63
100892	J C Shaw	(Salary July/August)	£360.00
100893	Moresby Parks Social Club	(Rent)	£60.00
100894	J C Shaw	(Expenses)	£27.68

### **13. Parish Councillors Matters**

- a) The chairman asked if another request could be made for the boardwalk to be strimmed in the Walkmill country park.
- b) Mr Morgan said that the waste bin had been removed behind Faulkner Place. He asked if the council could be informed.
- c) Mr Morgan said that a black bin had fallen off a council wagon at the top of School Brow and not been collected.
- d) Mr Morgan said he had been working in the Allotment area and it was agreed that the chairman and the clerk would be meet him to look at what more could be done.
- e) Mr Morgan said that he had been working behind the Methodist Church and was uncertain how much further he should go.
- f) Mr Horricks asked that the wall at the end of the back lane be lowered to allow a sight line. The clerk said that he would get an estimate from Works for You.

The meeting closed at 8.10pm. The next meeting was fixed for the **4<sup>th</sup> October 2010**

Chairman .....Date.....

