

Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Parton Parish Council.

Held on the 13th June 2018

1. Attendance: Chairman Cllr K Young, Cllrs Barton. Bestford, Morton, Ryden, Troughton, V Young, County Cllr Barbour and the clerk

2 Announcements and Apologies: There were apologies from Cllrs Quayle and Rogan and from Ward Cllrs J Bowman and J W Bowman

3 Approval of the minutes of the last meeting: The minutes of the May annual meeting 2018 were agreed.

4. Note of the annual parish meeting May 2018 and any matters arising there from: The note was agreed. The clerk said that following mention by Rev Kerry the new head teacher Ruth Colley who starts at St Bridget's school in January 2019 had contacted him. It was agreed that the clerk would provide Ms Colley with dates when the parish council would meet and invite her to a meeting to suit her convenience.

5. Declaration of Interests. It was agreed that declaration of interests would be made if issues on the agenda arose

6. Public Participation

a) Members of the Public None present

b) Ward and County Councillors Ward Cllr Troughton referred to the waste collection arrangements that had started recently. She said that the district council were very pleased with the response but had not anticipated that so much recycling waste would be put out for door step collection. An additional team had been formed and it was hoped that with the current teams working until 6.00 pm the system would work more smoothly from now on. County Cllr Barbour apologised both for missing the last parish council meeting and the fun day but he explained that he had been unwell. He said the grass verge cutting programme was now running and in the Parton area later in the month It was noted that the trunk road was normally in a separate scheme and the clerk said he would contact the Penrith depot of Highways England. County Cllr Barbour said he was disappointed that officers had taken no action to remove the redundant posts at the junction of Criffel Road and the A595. He said he was still looking into the ownership of land at Parton Brow and making enquiries as to the frequency of surface water drains cleaning in the village. He said that the school crossing patrol work that had been undertaken in Copeland resulted in no change at St Bridget's but he would ask that enforcement officers patrolled the area given that some parents were not abiding by the road markings. He said he would speak to

officers about both the parking on Seven Acres and the damaged footway that were mentioned at the last meeting. Ward Cllr Troughton agreed to take up the issue of the damaged steps leading from Ramsay Brow to the rear of the houses facing the main road with the Home Group. The clerk said that this was a long standing complaint.

7 Police Report The clerk said he had not received a report for May 2018 but the PCSO had responded to his request that action be taken against a resident who simply left rubbish outside his door. The response had been only partially helpful and he would contact the officer again.

8. Traffic/Highways Matters The clerk said that he had received a reply to his request for further and better information about a central pedestrian reservation at the top of Parton Brow. He said he would circulate the letter which really did not take the matter any further than the response he received in February 2017.

The chairman said that he and Valda had met Warren Birch the rail community officer from the county council about Parton railway station. David Andrews from CRUG had been at the meeting which was to discuss the adoption of the station. It was said that there would be an initial grant of £150 but it was then expected that the station would be maintained. The question of CCTV at the station was raised together with the problems of accessibility for disabled passengers. The chairman said that the meeting ended on the basis that contact by the rail community officer would be made when he had further information.

9. Clerks Report

a) War Memorial The clerk said he had spoken to the contractors who acted last year and they would weed the area and plant. He said that he had received an email from Calc about Remembrance Day Silhouette installation grants. He said it would be similar to the one at the junction of New Road and the A595 outside the Pelican garage. It was agreed that the clerk should apply.

b) Foreshore Memorial Garden The contractors who were to work on the war memorial would weed and plant at the foreshore garden.

c) Annual Financial Return The clerk said there had been a query at the annual meeting about some headings in the return. He said that the work on the Memorial garden included the installation of a litter bin and the sum ex Vat of £1123.98 was for work undertaken by Nigel Goddard and Coombe and Sharpe. The item described as Lenghtsman type work was for strimming the infield path towards the church, for strimming the non conformist graveyard, for clearing the Ghyll and the steps twice in the year but additionally some minor work around the Station Hotel and Brewery Brow which was undertaken in 2016.

d) Emergency Donation Whitehaven Rugby Club The chairman introduced this matter and said he would want the council to consider whether they should make a financial

contribution to the rugby club. Following a discussion it was agreed by 5 to 1 with 1 abstention that donation should be made.

10. Correspondence

A0 Seafarers UK had written about Merchant Navy day

b) AON had written about data protection privacy legislation

12 Cheques to be approved for payment

101185	Inland Revenue	(Tax)	£150.00
101186	Parton Village Hall	(Play Are)	£300.00
101187	J C Shaw	(Salary May)	£200.00
101188	J C Shaw	(Expenses)	£18.95
101189	Copeland Borough Council	(Grass Cutting)	£397.25
101190	Whitehaven Rugby Club	(Donation)	£250.00

15. Parish Councillors Matters:

a) Mrs Bestford referred to the sightlines at the top of Brewery Brow

b) Mrs Ryden said that Nigel had carried out work on the memorial garden including extra sand

c) Mrs Young asked that a request be made to cut back the Ghyll and the bowling green. The clerk said that he had asked that both the non-conformist grave yard and the Church Brow in-field path be cut back. Mr Morton said that Parker's steps needed attention.

d) Mrs Young thanked those who helped with the fun day. She said that income had exceeded £1k.

e) Mr Morton said that grass around the bench at the end of Seven Acres needed to be cut back

f) Mrs Troughton said that the church had undertaken a litter pick in the village and collected 12 bags. She said she was concerned that a damaged fence left an unguarded area with a steep drop near Firth View.

g) Mr Young said tha path behind 55 Criffel Road was in a poor state and needed to be cleared.

The meeting closed at 8.00pm. **The next meeting was fixed for 11th July 2017.**

Chairman**Date.....**

