

DRAFT MINUTES

Parton Parish Council

Minutes of The Parish Council Meeting **Held on 14th June 2022 at 7.30pm in Parton Village Hall**

Present: Cllr S Tumelty (Chair), Cllr A Armstrong, Cllr H Elliott, Cllr L McKee, Cllr W Morton, Cllr M Ryden, Cllr R Sinar, Cllr A Watson, Cllr J Williamson, Ward councillor D Banks

Absent:

Clerk: Mrs J Coltman

Members of the public: 5

Invited but did not attend: Ward Councillor J Bowman, Cumberland Councillor G Troughton, County Councillor M Barbour.

The chair thanked everyone for attending and started the meeting at 7.30pm.

- 208/22/23** **To Approve the Minutes** of the Annual Parton Parish Council meeting held on 10th May 2022. **Resolved to approve the minutes.** Proposed WM, seconded LM.
- 209/22/23** **Apologies.** Apologies were received from Cllr Young due to prior commitments. **Resolved to accept apologies and authorise the absence.** Proposed ST, agreed.
- 210/22/23** **Resignation.** Cllr Rogan had tendered her resignation. ST read out her letter of resignation and asked the clerk to send a letter of thanks for her service.
- 211/22/23** **Exclusion of Press and Public. The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.** There were no items that needed to be heard in private.
- 212/22/23** **Declarations of Interest, annual review.** There were no amendments to the declarations of interest.
- 213/22/23** **Public Participation:**
- A member of the public said that they'd heard that you could no longer sell your own garage, that it had to go into a pool. They said that a letter had supposedly been sent out to all garage owners, but he'd never received one. The clerk said that she'd received a completed one back for his garage. (This was completed by his father)
 - Another member of the public said that they were concerned that where people fished together, such as a father and son, they should be able to pass the garage on to their son, rather than somebody on the waiting list. ST said that was a different case and people who used the garage together like that would be able to keep it. In the case that he was referring to, the man had not been using the garage, was not related and was not on the waiting list. They were told that they could add their next of kin to their tenancies by letting the clerk know.
 - A member of the public said that when he got his garage there was no waiting list. WM said that there was, but it wasn't carried out then, but it is now.
 - Mr Clark suggested that he give up his empty plot for the first person on the list and allow the other applicant to have the plot that was currently vacant but had the garage on it. WM said there was one plot vacant and that was plot number one. Even then the other applicant wouldn't get the plot because there were two more names on the waiting list.

Due to the interest in this subject the chair proposed to hear item 12 next so that the meeting could progress.

- 214/22/23** **To consider a transfer request and new application for a tenancy. Resolved:** Proposed by WM that the tenancy be granted to the first person on the waiting list, Seconded JW. Carried. ST asked if Mr Clark could have the garage moved from the plot by the end of July and he agreed to that date, so the clerk was to inform the new tenant that their tenancy would start from 1st August.
- 215/22/23** **Reports from Ward or County Councillors or Guest Speakers.**
DB said that everything was about the new council. They had Copeland council, a reorganisation committee running, the shadow authority running, all at the same time as the county council and it

seemed chaotic. As he was only involved with Copeland, he didn't really know what was going on.

216/22/23 Police Matters. A printout of the latest crime map had been circulated. 9 had been reported in April.

217/22/23 Clerk's Updates:

- United Utilities had been contacted about three matters, the odour, sewage discharge and the soil mound. Acknowledgement had been received, but no answers so far.
- Dog Orders – The question regarding where dog orders applied had been asked. There is a dog on lead order for the football field and a dog prohibition order for the play park.
- Ramsay Drive bus shelter was still waiting for formal permission from Home Group.
- A595 bus shelter was still waiting for an answer from Highways
- Trudy Harrison had not responded regarding the pelican crossing.

218/22/23 Jubilee Finance Committee Update: There was a total budget of £3000 and there was £845.89 left from that. The chair said that the weekend went off really well. The clerk said that they were still looking at the possibility of planting a commemorative tree so more of the budget may be used.

219/22/23 Grass Cutting: A number of areas were identified that needed cutting. The clerk would contact those responsible for cutting those areas. There was possibly only around £300 in the budget for any extra cuts in other places around the village.

220/22/23 Clarification of the wording of the garage agreements. The council felt that the words “apply” and “proposed” made the meaning clear enough that it was not guaranteed that a transfer would be automatically granted.

221/22/23 To form an inspection group to look at the garages and surrounding areas. AW and LM said that they would look at them with one of the garage owners first.

222/22/23 Memorial Benches in Foreshore Garden. Some benches were so covered with items that people were unable to sit down and it made people feel uncomfortable going in there. HE asked if the contractors who did the war memorial could tidy up in the foreshore garden. She had done it last year with a few others, but it was a lot of work. Once it was on top of, she could keep up with it. JC said that would depend what was left in the budget and AW said that she would ask him to quote. People complained of dogs being allowed to foul in that area. **Resolved:** The clerk to write a letter to be laminated and placed on any benches that were in an unusable condition.

223/22/23 Payments for Approval The new signatories had not been added to the account so the Chair proposed that financial regulation 6.4 be suspended for the meeting to allow the clerk to be the second signatory for the cheques. **Resolved to suspend the regulation for this meeting. Resolved to approve the listed payments.**

Cheque	Payee	Details	Amount
101368	Lowca PC	Half footbridge Ins	£109.41
101369	Graham Hardie	DJ – Jubilee	£125.00
101370	J Coltman	Salary (2 months)	£525.50
101371	HMRC	PAYE Tax	£131.40
101372	J Coltman	Expenses	£437.52
101373	Lee Adams	Singer – Jubilee	£150.00
101374	A Watson	OAP Cakes – Jubilee	£68.00

224/22/23 Finance.

	Item	Total
	£	£
Bank Reconciliation		
Bank Statement 12/04/22	26429.31	
		25429.31
Cheques Cleared		
101354 HMRC	-201.50	
101353 J Coltman	-806.40	
101355 J Coltman	-272.92	
DD CWR	-34.56	
101352 Parton V Hall	-100.00	
DD HSBC	-8.00	
		-1423.48
Receipts Banked		
CR CBC Precept	13500.00	
		13500.00
Bank Statement 12/05/22		38505.83
Cheques Outstanding for Clearance		
101356 B Warren	-150.48	
101357 GD Airey	-50.00	
101358 CALC	-224.13	
101359 Coltman	-364.47	
101360 HMRC	-91.00	
101361 Coltman	-134.82	
101362 P Graham	-350.00	
101363 J McNicholas	-150.00	
101364 D Paterson	-425.00	
101365 Lowca PC	-137.50	
101366 WF Cascade	-14.09	
101367 Parton Old Folks	-300.00	
		-2391.49
Receipts Outstanding for Clearance		
		0.00
Balance after all cleared		35114.34

225/22/23 Planning Applications. None to consider

226/22/23 Parish Councillor Matters.

- AA Asked for the play park inspection list. Clerk would forward.
- WM Said that the goalposts on the football field were dangerous and needed replacing. Clerk would chase.
- RS was concerned about the amount of fly tipping in the village. He thought preventative measures ought to be taken. HE had approached CBC and had got a permit in the past to remove it, but they didn't seem to be interested. RS thought that they ought to put surveillance cameras up.
- HE said that it looked like raw sewage coming down Lowca beck
- ST asked if we had any say with Home Group. The clerk said that we were lucky to get a response from them. They were concerned about some of the people being housed in the area. The clerk said that she had raised the issue with the PCSO to make them aware of incidents that had come to her attention.
- AW said that parents had raised concerns about the car parked in the lane between the village hall and the Station Inn as they had to walk into the road with the children to pass it. She said this would be even worse when school was back in September. The clerk was still investigating ownership of the land.
- MR Asked if we could discuss the football field on the next agenda, whether we wanted to take it over from CBC.

227/22/23 Date of next Council meeting confirmed as 12th July 2022.

The meeting closed at 8.48pm
Minutes approved as a true and accurate record.

Chair Presiding..... Date.....

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