

DRAFT MINUTES

Parton Parish Council

Minutes of The Parish Council Meeting

Held on 8th September 2023 at 7.00pm in The Village Hall, Main Street, Parton

Present: Cllr S Tumelty (Chair), Cllr A Armstrong, Cllr H Elliott, Cllr W Morton, Cllr D Ridyard, Cllr J Robb, Cllr M Ryden. Cumberland Cllr G Troughton
Clerk: Mrs J Coltman
Members of the public: 1

The meeting started at 7.02pm.

441/23/24 Declaration of acceptance of office. Cllr M Ryden made her declaration of acceptance of office.

442/23/24 Apologies. Apologies were received from Cllrs McKee, Watson & Williamson. **Resolved to accept apologies.**

443/23/24 Exclusion of Press and Public. No items required exclusion of press and public.

444/23/24 Declarations of Interest. None.

445/23/24 To Approve the minutes of the meeting of 14/07/23. Resolved. to approve the minutes.

446/23/24 Report from Cumberland Councillor.

- Cllr Troughton said that there had been complaints made about her by a member of the parish council and she felt this was unjustified and she wished to work collaboratively.
- She now had some maps of land ownership but did not think they were complete and they had to be amalgamated from the two former systems. The clerk would send what maps she had.
- No increase in grass cutting was envisaged, so if the Parish Council required more frequent cutting, they should perhaps consider a community asset transfer.
- She was chasing to find out how far the remedial work was going to be carried out to the roads from the funds allocated from National Highways.
- Questionnaire regarding community panels had been circulated. She requested that parish councillors attend the meeting on 21st if they could.
- Fibrus gave a presentation regarding the fibre broadband rollout. They explained that in some instances the repairs are only temporary as further work is needed. People had not been receiving letters forewarning them of the work.
- Cllr Troughton suggested the ideas for the community asset transfer should be placed on a future agenda.

447/23/24 Clerk's Updates.

- Bus shelter A595. Was due to be delivered at the end of the week.
- Bus shelter on Ramsey Drive. Concrete base was due to be installed next week.
- Bank account. The clerk had the forms for completion.
- Goal Posts. Cumberland had said that Bransty had contributed towards their own goal posts.
- Play Park. Quotes for the remedial work had been requested.
- Beach Garden. Bennett Brothers had been asked to weed the area. Play sand had been ordered and was due for delivery on Wednesday. Notices for the benches had been printed and laminated.
- There had been a spate of anti-social behaviour along Ramsay Drive. The council was hosting a multi-agency meeting and any suggestions to combat this would be welcome.

448/23/24 Public Participation. A member of the public volunteered to help with the sand delivery.

449/23/24 Planning Applications.

- 4/23/2210/OB1 – No objections
- 4/23/2211/OB1 – No objections

- 450/23/24 Councillor Training. Resolved** Cllrs Ridyard and Robb would attend the Effective Councillor courses on 11th and 18th September.
- 451/23/24 Amendment to garage tenancy agreement.** Cllr Elliott raised three issues. 1) As there was a waiting list for garages, people should be given a limited time to erect a garage on a vacant plot. 2) Residents of the parish on the waiting list should be offered the garage before non-residents. 3) Only one plot would be allocated per household for new tenancies. **Resolved** to accept the three proposals. Clerk to notify tenants.
- 452/23/24 Arrangements for Remembrance Day. Resolved.** Cllr Robb would supply teas & coffees etc. in the Station. Cllr Tumelty would arrange the bugler. Clerk would arrange the wreath. Cllr Elliott would arrange a working party to paint the walls.
- 453/23/24 Response to Cumberland Council.** Cllr Elliott withdrew this item as it had already been covered.
- 454/23/24 Payments for Approval. Resolved** to approve the payments as below

Cheque	Payee	Details	Amount
101423	Jane Coltman	Salary (Aug & Sep)	£610.94
101424	HMRC	PAYE	£152.60
101425	Jane Coltman	Expenses	£56.60
101426	Lowca Parish Council	Half Footbridge Ins	£141.93
101427	Parton Village hall	Room Hire	£240.00

- 455/23/24 Finance.** The clerk said that a cheque would have to be issued, possibly between meetings, for £500 to Parton Parish Council to open the Unity Trust bank account. Opening balance at 1st April of £29,064.88. Receipts of £13,816.67. Payments of £19,394.19 which included paying for the two bus shelters. Balance of £23,487.36. The clerk had requested a grant for the second bus shelter, but this was not guaranteed.
- 456/23/24 Councillor Matters.**
- DR had reported fly tipping on the football field.
 - JR said that the coastal path was eroding quite severely and needed reporting as it was dangerous. Clerk would look for the contact.
 - HE asked if we could have an honesty box for the car park but thought that we could perhaps use QR codes instead. JR said that if a charitable trust was set up, this could be linked to help pay for amenities.
 - ST said that there had been complaints about Sellafield workers parking on Seven Acres to get a lift to site. Sometimes people were blocked in. he would raise it with Home Group. The Ghyll was so overgrown that people in the bungalows on Ramsay Drive could not see out. A resident on Foundry Road had complained about the trees on the railway land.
- 457/23/24 Next Meeting 13th October 2023.**

The meeting closed at 8.26pm
Minutes approved as a true and accurate record.

Chair Presiding.....

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