

Garsdale Parish Council

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Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Thursday 19th July 2018 at Garsdale Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Present:

Councillors Annette Colton, Gillian Dickinson, Thomas Todd, Graham Lant, Bill Mawdsley and DCs Kevin Lancaster, Sheila Capstick and Clerk Philip Johns

1. Apologies

Nick Cotton, Hamish Wilson

2. Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were declared.

3. Minutes

Minutes of the 17th May Council Meeting and AGM were signed.

4. County Councillor and District Councillors' report

CCC has agreed a 1.9m budget for road works from Kendal to the county border including the A684 as it is deemed one of the most dangerous roads. There had been a meeting at Kirby Lonsdale regarding the travellers and a 'Respect' meeting should be called but Nick Cotton appears to have been ignoring entreaties from the DCs and Tim Farron. Supposedly just 3 incidents had been recorded but Kevin was aware of at least 35. Kevin asked council if they could write to Nick Cotton to expedite matters as discussion was needed regarding police policy such as the boulders and signs. Tom asked why the retaining walls were not being fixed now as Clough River was at a record low. The DCs would enquire. Tom also asked if any calming methods were to be introduced for motorbikes as nothing appeared to be happening despite much discussion.

5. Progress reports

1. Clerk reported that the annual report, accounts, declarations had been sent into the new external auditor and all relevant documents had been posted on the website. Due to personal business pressure and the extra work for the council, clerk had not been able to arrange a meeting to finalise accounts but will do shortly.
2. Village hall: Richard had received an email from Angela Burton requesting a formal presentation of the cheque and taking a photo to publicize the grant possibly on August 18th or 25th, Graham and Richard to liaise.
3. Highways: clerk had reported the deep potholes near West Little Town to Highways and some road markings had appeared but no restoration work yet.
4. Post 16 Transport: NTR.
5. Broadband: a meeting has been arranged for B4RN on Aug 14th in the village hall to discuss the start of digging from Frostrow to the village Hall. The meadows have been cut and due to the present dry conditions, now would be an ideal time to start. Presently, there has been no digging in Grisedale as Matt Gibson did not have the correct public liability insurance but was in hand.
6. Motorbikes: Amanda Coleman has indicated that the speed detector will be around the dale over the next few months. Gill suggested that council set up a system for councillors and the residents to report incidents with motorbikes, say a page on the website, and to publicise this in Lookaround. It was suggested that entries were responded to such as 'thank you for your message'.

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7. Battles Over: Hamish was absent but instead of a function, maybe a memorial chair could be produced. Clerk to chase up Sedbergh for any relevant plans they had.

6. Public/open session

Richard was still awaiting quotes for the village roof.

7. Updates from Community Groups

NTR

8. Financial matters

1. Cheques for payments of 2 months' clerk salary were agreed plus £117.49 expenses
2. The balance stood at £3143.64. HSBC had not yet confirmed new cheque signatures.

9. Correspondence

1. Scarfoot bridge has been approved.
2. No objections for Low Scar summerhouse but council queried why it needed planning permission as it was a temporary structure.

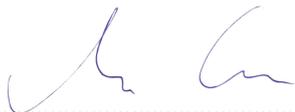
10. Councillor matters.

None.

Date of next meeting

Thursday 20th September

Meeting closed 8.45pm.

Chairman.....

Date.....20 September 2018.....

Please note that these are draft minutes, subject to change and will not be signed until the next meeting.

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