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Minutes of the Meeting Held on Thursday 13th September 2018
in the Village Hall commencing at 7.30pm.

Apologies

Cllr Mr. D Banks and C Cllr Ms.C Driver

Present

Cllrs: Mr. I Harrington, (in the Chair), Mrs. C Merrie, Miss. K Little, Mr. W F Mounsey, Mr C Eland, Mr. Holiday, Mr. C Wilson, Mr. T Wentworth Waites, Mr. J Fleming (Clerk).

Two members of the public.

882 Minutes

To authorize the Chairman to sign the minutes of the Council Meeting held 12th July 2018 as a true record.

883 Declarations of Interest

Cllrs K Little and I Harrington, declared their positions as Langwathby Village Hall Committee representatives.

884 Public Participation

There was none

885 County and District Councillor Reports

There were none

886 Finance (Incl. Vat)

886.1 The Following Balances were noted:-

	£
Vat to be claimed	512.02
Village Hall to refund	106.48
Penrith Building Society	9678.65
Barclays	4967.65

886.2 The following accounts were ratified:

Clerk Broadband/Tel July/August	30.00
Clerk Fee July/August	440.00
AT Atkinson VH Paint	60.00
Fieldview Electrical VH	408.71
Opus Energy Electricity V H July	71.42
Joe Thwaites. Memorial Garden	35.00
N Preston Grass Cutting	487.50

886.3 The Following Payment Was Agreed

Clerks Expenses 12/7/2018 – 13/9/2018	28.60
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886.4 The Following Receipts Were Noted

Vat Refund	241.80
Village Hall Committee	533.62
PBS Transfer to Current account	4000.00

886.5 An Interim Set of Accounts Were Presented.

This was unanimously accepted.

887 Devolution and Transfer of Assets from EDC to Parish Councils.

It was reported that EDC had confirmed that the agreed Maintenance and Electrical Supply grant of £126.98 per light would be paid in October, a total of £3144.96 and the invoice for the above for the 2018/19 financial year of £69.78 per light would be issued thereafter, totaling £1814.28.

888 Planning Matters

18/0500	The Cottage, Edenhall	
	Alterations to include addition of first floor French windows to side elevation	No Comment
18/0605	Lincross. Langwathby. Penrith	
	Proposed bathroom dormer & kitchen extension.	Support
18/0687	Woodcroft. Storey Bank. Langwathby	
	Extensions to dwelling Proposed bathroom dormer & kitchen extension.	Support
18/0701	Orchard House Edenhall.	
	Remove Fir tree (root plate has grown to the point of starting to affect the structure of the shed / garage) Edenhall Conservation Area	No Comment

889 Highways and Land Matters

889.1 Walby Garth Entrance – Work scheduled for 1st October – 2 days

889.2 Langwathby Phone Box – A grant has been applied for to convert into an Information Point. – Ongoing.

889.3 Edenhall Phone Box and Bus Shelter –

889.3.1 It was reported that an Edenhall group of residents, led by Peter Koch – Osborne have completed the conversion of the Edenhall phone kiosk into a valuable information point and had redecorated the interior of the bus shelter.

889.3.2 It being reported to the meeting that there was some window rot which had been repaired but it was advised that a proper repair would be needed to be budgeted for in a few years' time.

889.3.3 The Council unanimously expressed their thanks to Peter Koch – Osborn and his team for a job very well done. The Clerk being ask to send a letter of appreciation.

889.4 Edenhall Playground repairs –

It was reported that a Cumbria County Council '0 – 19' grant of £1920 had been successfully applied for to cover the renovation of the Edenhall Playground. This leaving a balance of £480 to find in order to cover the full cost of £2400. It was the Clerks intention to try and find this outstanding sum from donations from local businesses.

889.5 Langwathby Village Hall – Parking Issue

It was reported that Trisvelhus Esh, the current owners of the Langwathby Hall development site, have agreed to donate land to the Parish Council to enable the construction of an access to the side of the Village Hall, for parking. The new owner of the site, Stewart Dixon along with the developer Willan Trading are keen to work with the Parish Council to facilitate a satisfactory outcome.

889.6 Langwathby Bridleway.

The previous decision to move the seat, currently located opposite the entrance

to Hopes Garage to a site at the end of the Bridle Way, overlooking the river, was discussed. Concern was expressed, following further consideration, regarding the wisdom of this decision, due to the strong possibility of it being washed away in a flood. There was also concern regarding how much use the seat would get in this location.

Following debate, it was agreed that Cllrs K Little and C Wilson would oversee the refurbishing of the seat and its relocate it to the cemetery.

889.7 Blocked Drains – Nobles Garage to Langwathby Bridge. –

The matter was in hand with Highways.

889.8 Blocked Drains - By Langwathby Stores and Bus Shelter

Action: - To report to Highways.

889.9 Overtaking Danger – Langwathby Bridge to Toll Bar Junction. – The request for continuous white lines to be painted on this section of road to reduce the risk of collision resulting from overtaking, was in the hand of Highways. A decision is awaited.

889.10 Sheep Pens behind Langwathby School

Following concern raised by a Councillor a site visit was organized to view the redundant sheep dipping pens located off 'Henderson' lane, behind the school. Subsequently concern was raised regarding the safety of this site. It was reported that there is jagged tin sheet on site and the lid over the dipping tub is not secured and could easily be lifted by children. It could also be assumed that the dipping tub could still contain traces of, since banned, organophosphorus sheep dip, this in its self being a very serious health hazard. There was particular concern over the proximity of the area to the school.

Action: - Agreed to seek who was responsible for the site and to request that the site either be securely fenced off or that steps be taken to make the site safe by repairing the damaged tin fencing and installing a locked cover to the dipping tub. Being so close to its boundary it was also agreed to alert the school to the dangers of the site.

889.11 Wright Bus Timetable –

Reported that copies of the Wrights Bus Company timetable in respect of the 888 service from Langwathby to Keswick had been distributed and displayed on Parish Notice Boards, the station waiting room. The store in Langwathby and Edenhall hotel.

889.12 Langwathby Village Road Surface

Reported that due to budget constraints the resurfacing work had been moved to the 2018/2019 financial year, highways work schedule.

889.13 Grass Cutting – Sports Field –

Following discussion, it was agreed that the Parish Council did not have any responsibility regarding the cutting of grass on the sports field, even though it had been involved with cutting grass on the field in previous years; such grass cutting is not taking place in the 2018 season.

It was accepted that this sports field did provide a valuable amenity within the Parish and deserved support.

Action: - Agreed, unanimously, that a letter be written to the Sports Field Committee inviting them to request grant support from the Parish Council in the 2019/2020 financial year to assist with the costs associated with the cutting of the field.

890 Council Member Vacancy - Edenhall Ward

It was with regret that the Parish Council had received notice of the resignation of Cllr Kathryn Metcalfe, for personal reasons. Councillors were saddened by the news; Kathryn's sound council and common sense would be sadly missed from debate. A sincere letter of thanks to be sent to thank Kathryn for the service she had given to the Council during her period of office.

Action: - Agreed to take the necessary steps to co-opt a new member for the Edenhall Ward.

891 Correspondence

891.1 Northern Railway Timetable Changes.

Reported that LPC had supported Lazonby Parish Councils complaint to Northern Railways over omissions to the revised timetable.

891.2 Fellrunner Suggested Fees – 2019/20

Notification had been received from the 'Fellrunner' that 1430 person/journey within the Parish had occurred in the last year and at their suggested grant support at 30p per person per journey it would imply grant support at £430.20. In 2018/19 the Parish Council gave £350 in grant support.

Action: - To consider the matter at the May 2019 meeting.

891.3 CALC Revised Subscription – 2019/20

CALC had informed the PCC that next year their subscription calculation will be based on the size of the electorate rather than a fixed fee. The 2019 figure being calculated at £181.77. (£225 in 2018)

891.4 Footway Lighting Contract Post 2020.

Calc had confirmed that they had negotiated a Footway Maintenance and Electricity supply contract, post March 2020 with Cumbria County Council.

891.5 CALC Executive Committee Vacancy

The above vacancy was reported with the closing date for nominations being 12th November 2018.

891.6 Penrith Masterplan

Action: - Comment to the Clerk by 31st October. The closing date of the 'Engagement process' being 2nd November 2018

891.7 Eden Tourism Summit

The Parish Council had received an invitation to the 2018 Eden Tourism Summit: 'Tourism in Eden - Looking to the Future: Challenges and Opportunities' at the Shap Wells Hotel on Wednesday 17 October 2018, 10.15am to 3.30pm (registration from 9.30am).

891.8 CAB Community Help Poster

A CAB poster was tabled giving advice on where help could be sought should any parishioner need personal help and guidance.

892 Councillor Matters

892.1 1st Responder Training

Reported that two training courses had been organized, one at the Edenhall Hotel on the evening of Monday 1st October and the second at Langwathby Village Hall Monday 8th October.

92.2 Robin Hood Lane – Foul Drain

Reported that foul water had been emitted from this drain again recently.

Action:- To monitor the situation closely and to take appropriate action.

892.3 Coxen Lane, Langwathby – Overgrown Growth

Reported that overgrown boundary foliage growth was impeding vehicle traffic in Coxen Lane, Langwathby.

Action:- It was agreed to discuss the problem with the property owner.

892.4 Langwathby Churchyard

Reported that some boughs were overhanging the road and needed pruning.

Action:- To report the matter to EDC.

892.5 Land Adjoining ‘Meadow Side’ – Overgrown.

Reported that this development site had, once again become very overgrown and untidy.

Action:- To take the matter up with the Agent/Developer.

892.6 Persistent Van Parking in Langwathby Village Green Layby

Reported that a van had taken to parking for long periods in the layby, on the Langwathby Village Green, close to the Shop.

Action:- To contact the owner to discuss the issue.

892.7 Tractors Parking on the Village Green Opposite the Shop

Concern was raised over tractors parking/part parking on the village green opposite the shop. This would cause damage as the ground conditions became soft.

Action:- To make mention in the Memo.

892.8 Empty Property 11 Salkeld Road Langwathby

Concern was raised that the above property was still unoccupied; historically there had been a subsidence issue.

Action:- To Clarify the situation with Eden Housing Association.

893 Dates of next meeting

Venue Langwathby Village Hall - back room. commencing at 7.30pm
22nd November 2018

Meeting closed: 9.00 pm

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