

LANGWATHBY PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th July 2011 at 7.30pm

Present:

Mr W F Mounsey (in the chair), Mr D H Banks, Mr W H Benn, Mr I S Harrington, Mr J M Holliday (District Councillor), Mr P M Jackson, Mr G C Little, Mrs C Merrie

A minutes silence was held in honour of Mrs G Veitch and Mr P Longstaff.

340 Apologies for Absence: Apologies were received from County Councillor Mrs M Robinson and Mr S J Peet.

341 Minutes: The minutes of the meeting held on 19 May 2011 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

342 Community Led Planning: Hellen Aitken, Action with Communities in Cumbria, gave an informative presentation on Community Led Planning. Members agreed to give this further consideration at their next meeting.

343 Update reports:

1. **Tennis court:** The Chairman thanked the Parish Council for their hard work in fencing and making improvements to the tennis court. Following some initial discussions about forming a tennis club, Members agreed that the Clerk would advertise the proposal and ascertain interest. To be discussed again at the March meeting. *Action - Clerk.*
2. **Road surface outside Toll Bar Cottage:** The Clerk reported that work had been carried out during week coming 13 June.
3. **Pavement along school fence:** Cumbria Highways did not carry out the fencing works and believe that the footway is not the responsibility of the Highway Authority, however, they have arranged for one of their technicians to carry out an inspection. *Clerk to follow up.*
4. **Dog fouling:** EDC, Community Warden, provided signs to be sited where dog fouling is a problem which will hopefully act as a deterrent as it will be known that the area is being monitored. *Clerk to rotate signs on a 3 weekly basis.*
5. **Lights on Kemplay roundabout:** Councillor Mrs M Robinson reported that the lights will operate on a 24 hour basis when they come into operation.

344 Councillor Vacancy - Edenhall: The vacancy was advertised in accordance with NALC's Good Practice Guide and no response was received. The Parish Council must now fill the vacancy by co-option. The Good Practice Guide for selection of candidates being co-opted to a Local Council to be circulated to Members for consideration.

345 Annual Audit

1. **Statement of Accounts:** The Council approved the amendment to the Statement of Accounts in Section 1.10 of the Return, which was signed by the Chairman.
2. **Asset Register:** The Council approved the register of the Council's property.
3. **Internal Auditor:** The Parish Council considered potential candidates. *Clerk to follow up.*
4. **Honorarium to Mrs G Vietch:** Members agreed a sum of £50 be paid to her husband, Mr H Vietch.

346 Street Lighting

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Mrs C Merrie reported on the current difficulties in the repair of street lighting between Caroline Cottage and Back Farm and street-light no. 112 (by the noticeboard/play area) and that the County Council had included these repairs in their program of works for 2011/12.

347 Village Play Area

1. **Fencing of the Play Area:** Members considered the request for fencing around the play area taking into account all views received from local residents. Members agreed not to fence the play area.
2. **Proposal for new play area:** Members considered the request for a new play area to be sited adjacent to the tennis courts behind the village hall. Clerk to investigate if any restrictions apply to the site and further consideration to be given at the next meeting. *Action Clerk.*

348 Finance

1. Balances

To note the following balances:

Current a/c	£10,217.93
Penrith Building Society	£6027.37
VAT to be recovered (Jan to June)	£312.84

2. Accounts to be paid

BDO - additional audit fees incurred	£25.00
Enterprise – white trade sacks for Village Hall	£28.80
Field View Electrical – repair hand-dryer, annual servicing & maintenance	£210.13
Administration	
- Postage	£3.54
- Stationery	£42.55
- Printer ink cartridges	£26.74
J B Holliday & Sons, labour used in renovating tennis courts	£442.80
E J & J M Wilson	£421.68

3. Receipts

Village Hall Committee reimbursements (excluding VAT):

- E-On	£154.18
- Katerkwick	£89.99
- Enterprise	£24.00
Ms C S Peck - The Pinfold, Edenhall	£1.00

4. **Revenue of capital project:** Councillor Mrs M Robinson requested the Council to consider whether they have revenue of capital project under 3k to put forward to be considered for funding. Members agreed that they have no such projects to put forward this year.

349 Planning

1. To note that the application for demolition of conservatory, car port and outbuilding and erection of 2 storey extension at 2 Beaconsfield Terrace, Edenhall has been withdrawn.
2. To note the application for demolition of conservatory, car port and outbuilding and erection of a single storey extension at 2 Beaconsfield Terrace, Edenhall (in circulation).

350 Correspondence

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1. **CALC Circular: Broadband & Great Salkeld Parish Council: Superfast Next Generation Broadband** – Members considered correspondence regarding projects to bring superfast broadband to Cumbria. Mr D Banks nominated as the Broadband representative. ***Clerk to inform CALC & Great Salkeld Parish Council.***
2. **NALC: LCR Opinion Question** – Members considered the question to local councils for the autumn issue: “*Should the forthcoming neighbourhood plans have greater weight than the local plans of principal authorities?*”. Members did not agree with this statement. **Clerk to respond.**

351 Local Concerns

1. **Crossroads:** Mr I Harrington reported that the signpost needed replacing.
2. **Grassland, Salkeld Road:** Mr P Jackson requested that the grass be cut.
3. **On-street parking on junction of Green Lane and Back Lane:** Members discussed issues relating to on-street parking close to the junction of Green Lane and Back Lane. Members agreed to discuss concerns with the Community Police Officer at the next meeting.

All concerns will be reported to the relevant authorities – Action Clerk.

352 Next Parish Council Meeting: The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Thursday, 22 September, in the Village Hall (Back Room) at 7.30pm.

Dates for future meetings: 10 November, 19 January, 8 March, Annual Parish Meeting – 3 May, AGM – 10 May. ***Clerk to book meeting room.***

Meeting closed 9.35 pm.