

Muncaster Parish Council

Meeting Minutes - Tuesday 16th February 2010 6.30pm Ravensglass Parish Hall.

Present

Mrs W Turner	Chairman
Mr D. N. Robson	
Mr Leo Saldanha	
Mr Neil Anderson	
Mrs Iona Frost-Pennington	
Mrs Elaine Gissing	
Miss Andrea Takacs	Clerk

In Attendance Mr S Robb Ravensglass Village Forum, Chairman

Main Business

1. Apologies for absence and reasons for non-attendance.

Cllr. Tebb – holiday, Cllr MacIntosh – Meeting, Cllr Thornton

2. Minutes of the council meeting held on Tuesday 10th November 2009

Cllr Robson proposes and Cllr Saldanha seconds for the Chairman to sign minutes of the January meeting.

3. Chairman's announcements

No announcements.

4. Declarations of interest by members in respect of items in the agenda.

Cllr Robson, on points regarding Sellafield, Cllr Frost-Pennington, on points regarding Muncaster Castle, Cllr Anderson, on planning application for Rose Garth.

5. Adjournment of the meeting to allow members of the public to raise any issues.

No issues

6. Discussion with Ms Alana Mackinnon from CBC regarding Car Park

Current structure of resident car parking: Cumbria County Council is responsible for permits and signs and Copeland Borough Council enforces it, in the coming summer the enforcement will change to be County Council responsibility.

Resident parking is in white lined on street disc and residents parking bays. Residents would get 60 visitor passes a year for free with five days worth of parking each. These tickets have to be used by visitors, builders and carers. B&B guests do not count as visitors.

Other possibilities instead of a resident parking scheme would be to put double yellow lines all around the village, or in case of upcoming events when on street parking can increase, phone the police or Copeland Borough council for no parking bollards.

Next step for PC is to contact John Dell from Cumbria County Council.

7. Matters arising from previous minutes

Cllr Robson to respond to LDNPA Core Strategy consultation invites, that no representative of the PC will attend.

8. To authorise any payments and deal with other financial matters.

a. Transactions

CRUG membership £10.- Cllr Frost-Pennington proposes, Cllr Saldanha seconds, carried unanimously.

Bonfire committee- matter pending

b. Authorisation of expenses and payments

c. Cllr Frost-Pennington proposes and Cllr Saldanha seconds not to give donations to charities, carried unanimously.

Next agenda information on NALC councillors guide, if worthwhile.

d. Other Financial Matters

9. Planning Matters

a) New Applications – 7/2009/4119 Rose Garth extension, no objections.

b) Application under consideration – Non under consideration

c) Planning applications completed – Non

d) Other planning matters – Bridleway Diversion Order – 418022 Muncaster Head.

10. Councillors reports

a. Cllr Saldanha on the playground proposal, Lottery application has been thrown out, but will be resubmitted by Friday.

Cllr Robson, 5 Rivers Partnership and South Copeland Group have not met in the last month, the group is organising a conference / workshop on the 24th of March at 6.30 at Muncaster Castle, the session will address improvement and building of parish plans in order for them to be processed by authorities.

On 11th of March will be a meeting at Millom organised by ACT, Rural Proofing NHS Focus Group.

11. Ravenglass Village Forum

Stuck with Village Green and tidying up the seat area near the car park, enough funding for one seat to be tidied.

12. Correspondence received

LDNPA – Maps for Core Strategy Plan

CALC – Training sessions for spring – Cllr Frost-Pennington proposes, Cllr Gissing seconds for clerk to go on Induction session two.

Rural Services Network

CALC Circular

Hadrians Wall Heritage Ltd – A line of Light form coast to coast on 13th March 2010

Village Hall committee – copy of letter to Mrs Frost-Pennington regarding Hall lease.

Copeland Borough Council, issue of travel concessions 2010.

13. Discussion on cooption of Elaine Gissing for councillor vacancy

Cllr Anderson proposes, Cllr Robson seconds carried unanimously. The Parish Council welcomes Mrs Elaine Gissing as a new member.

14. Grass cutting and hedge cutting

Tender to be put out in Parish Magazine and Notice Boards.

15. Road Safety

Tuesday 23rd February meeting with Karl Melville, proposed change to A595 junction would make the situation worse.

16. Flood defence review and Shoreline Management plan

Shoreline Management plan shows no active intervention to erosion around the village of Ravenglass, along Ravenglass alignment and ongoing maintenance of sea walls have been included in the plan.

Parish Council to respond – Cllr Robson to draft letter.

Flood Gate keys to be put at Pennington Hotel, letter to be written to environment agency to organize more keys.

17. Review Parish Plan

Some issues pointed out in the Parish Plan have not yet been addressed. Cllr Robson proposes to postpone issue until after five rivers conference at the end of March.

18. Nomination for post of Highway Steward Liaison person

Chair Turner will be stepping down from the position at the end of the political year, no response – referred to next meeting.

19. Village Hall lease renewal

PC to write formally to Mrs Iona-Frost Pennington regarding the renewal of the lease for Muncaster Parish Hall, does Mrs Frost-Pennington want to lease to Parish Council or would she prefer to had lease to Muncaster Parish Hall committee, as this will be a charitable incorporated organisation.

20. Nuclear New Build

PC views: Nuclear power is an important part of electricity supply, a new power station at the Sellafield site is welcomed by the PC, further Power stations at Kirksanton and Braystone are not welcomed as both sites are Greenfield sites and there would be too much problems for the marine life in the area if three sites blow out cooling water into the sea.

Also, the road infrastructure has to be improved for new build to be sustainable and the PC is not in favour of new bigger electricity pylons for grid upgrade.

Cllr Anderson proposes and Cllr Frost-Pennington seconds, carried unanimously to write response from PC both directly and for the improvement of the CALC response.

21. New matters arising – an opportunity for members to raise any issues to be raised for discussion at the next meeting

No matters.

22. To agree the date of the next meeting - Tuesday 9th March 2010 at 7.30pm