

Minutes of a meeting of Holme St Cuthbert Parish Council held on 18 January 2017 in Holme St Cuthbert Hall at 7.3-pm

Present: Mrs m Knoery chairman, Mr R Armstrong vice-chairman, Mr P Gibbons, Mr S Routledge, Mr C Strick and Mrs L J Housby clerk

Apologies: Councillors Markley and Lister and Mr J Molyneux

Members of the Public: PCSO P Nichol

Minutes from the meetings held on 21 September 2016, Disaster Plan meeting 19 October 2016, 16 November 2016 and 1 December 2016 meeting with Mr Karl Melville CCC Engineer were proposed correct by Mr Armstrong all in favour

From the minutes:

Flooding on Tarnside Road has been cleared but the culvert to drain water away is full and needs cleaning contact Karl Melville again the problem still remains also remind him about the other problems previously reported

Police Report- PCSO P Nichol:

Has sent the link to Cumbria Constabulary website 'Crime in your area', nothing to report in this area but be aware of rural thefts – quad bikes, diesel etc. dark nights be vigilant contact either 999 or 101 to report anything suspicious

PCSO Nicol said less and less police patrols in rural areas. Resource by numbers – if there is a problem they will flood the area to try to stop. Left meeting 7.50pm

Chairman's Announcements:

Mrs Knoery was unable to attend CALC meeting 19 January Allerdale House, Workington

There is a disaster emergency course being held in Cockermouth on Tuesday 31 January Mrs Knoery has booked two places Mrs Housby will attend with her

Has reported last meeting grant has been approved for work on Newtown Pond

Asked about local advertising in Community News Letter to help with costs

Organise a day in Spring to clean and paint sign posts within the Parish

Mrs Knoery wants feedback on proposals to put flowers in old agricultural implements

At the entrance to settlements in the Parish

Newtown Pond:

Brian and Lynda Bailey are co-ordinating the restoration of the pond in Newtown, AONB gave £2000 grant but specified the use of a Conservation Consultant, meeting was held on 17 January to discuss what would be required – clean all brush from back of pond, an island in middle work to be done by March, Aspatria YFC were going to help as part of their 'Community Help' but only older members to help because of the water element for 'Health and Safety' (will need chainsaws, hand saws and digger) possible contribution from Thos Armstrong Quarries

Payment of Accounts:

Mr Strick proposed the following payments be made and the Petty Cash Book signed all in favour

Holme St Cuthbert PCC	£250.00 Parish Magazine
Holme St Cuthbert School	£100.00 Annual Grant
Holme St Cuthbert PCC	£250,00 Grass Cutting Grant
North Cumbria Quakers	£100.00 Beckfoot Burial Ground Grass Cutting
Mrs M Knoery	£150.00 Chairman's Allowance
Mrs L J Housby	£1050.00 Clerks Salary
Holme St Cuthbert Hall	£200.00 Annual Grant
Culterham Hall	£200.00 Annual Grant
Mawbray Play Area	£100.00 Annual Grant
Mrs L J Housby	£120.00 Internet Access part payment
Holme St Cuthbert Hall	£51.25 Use of Hall April 2015/March 2016

Pension Contributions:

Mrs Housby stated that she did not want to be enrolled into a pension scheme for H St C PC she will contact Pension Regulator declaring she does not want to enrol into a pension scheme, proposed Mrs Knoery all in favour

Insurance Review:

Continue with A.on Council Insurance, proposed Mrs Knoery all in favour

Contact Insurance Company check Public Liability covers parishioners doing cleaning jobs around the parish

Clerk's Salary Review:

Mr Gibbons proposed increase for 2017/18 of £50 to £1100 all in favour

Mawbray Defibrillator:

Community Group paid for defibrillator for Mawbray to be sited within the old telephone box the price includes five years' insurance when this ends will ask if the Parish Council to maintain the box and defibrillator

Budget and Precept 2017/18:

No increase in any grants, have funds to cover any increase in grass cutting, clerk's salary increases proposed a precept of £5000 all in favour

B5300 Bus Service:

Clerk informed Reays will discontinue their service 60 on 28 January 2017 recently informed that Ellen Vale will be taking over the route with some changes in route and times, will contact Allerdale for new time tables for the bus shelters

Emergency Plan:

Asked if could obtain detailed maps with each house named on map to help identify these that will identify any that would require special attention, will see if we can get funding for these maps

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.00pm the next meeting will be held in Holme St Cuthbert Hall on 15 March 2017 at 7.30pm