

# HOLME *ST* CUTHBERT PARISH COUNCIL

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## MINUTES OF THE MEETING

**Minutes of a meeting of Holme St Cuthbert Parish Council held on:** 19 April 2023 in Holme St Cuthbert Parish Hall

**Present:** Mr R Armstrong Chairman, Mrs S Donachy Vice-Chairman, Mrs L Stevens, Mrs M Knoery, Mr S

**Apologies:** Councillor K Thurlow, Mrs J Strick

**Members of the Solfest Committee:** Mr J Goulding, Ms N Orral, Mr S Johnston, Mr A Betoix Member of the Parish Mrs A Armstrong

Minutes of the meeting held on 15 March 2023 were signed a correct record proposed by SD all in favour

### **From the Minutes:**

Structure in sand has been removed, there are tadpoles in the old pond

### **Solfest 2023:**

Everything is going to plan JG, had meeting with Debera (Allerdale) Event Management Plan submitted

Litter picking and road clearing better in 20233 working with our waste management team

AA read a statement from Mrs J Strick – happy with festival last year, did not want encroachment any further in field to keep away from Overby settlement – hope the same happens this year

JG said building a structure with the local community to engage with the, EMP a better document this year for locals and Committee – there is always last-minute things that crop up

Monitors have been erected on the land, Committee did not think anything to do with them, possibly for the proposed Quarry on land

There will sound monitors up even before sound equipment on site

There is expected an increase in festival goers similar to 2021

This year there will be paid staff on the bars (hopefully will not run out of beer) There will be volunteers as usual

An eclectic line-up proposed – find on line

Opening earlier on Thursday, but finishing earlier on Sunday

Drystone Stage in tent this year – coming back

Road closures again – more signs, last year signs were stolen, had to be replaced many times, worst example when coming from Chapel Road/Jericho junction onto B5301 at Overby

There will be drop off points, shuttle buses from Wigton and Aspatria, might try from Carlisle

More and more camper vans each year, try to keep them in their own designated area, but tents are erected next to vans, causing problems with safety

This year trying different fence ties, to stop from getting in unofficially, this hopefully stop festival goers from coming from Goodyhills causing problems with locals

CCTV on all entrances and in bars, this will also help with road management, there is a good WIFI signal

Contact in for July meeting if any questions or updates

Planning already started for next year 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary

Solfest Committee and AA left the meeting 8.00pm

**Chairman's Announcements:**

Isaac Taylor – going to have to get someone in to clean ditches of sand washed down from B5301, can he charge the Council Clerk said Highways Engineer said work would start in April, both drains blocked either side of gullies RA said he was not standing for the Parish Council in the forthcoming elections, has asked local resident if he would be interested, Parish Council still short of Councillors, advertise on Facebook page and Parish Magazine SD to ask if a Mawbray resident would design a poster

**Mawbray Electricity Supply:**

Mawbray has a poor supply, with regular losses of supply, Clerk to contact NW electricity, Warrington. Find out if a bigger transformer is needed only getting a trickle supply, proposed SD all in favour

**Payment of Accounts:**

LS proposed the following payments be made, all in favour

BHIB Insurance	419.18 annual premium 2023/24
CALC	174.92 annual subscription 2023/24
Petty Cash	150.00

**AONB -Cattle on the Road:**

The fence has been repaired, when cattle on road difficulty in contacting owners or AONB, also on the same day two fully grown rottweilers (possibly Mawbray Cote) these dogs are often out, they are intimidating, local residents worried about their own dogs – contact Environmental Health

There being no other business the meeting closed 9.10pm the next meeting will be held on Wednesday 10 May 2023 at 7.30pm this will incorporate the Annual Parish Meeting and Annual and Ordinary meetings of the Parish Council in Holme St Cuthbert Hall