

HAVERTHWAITE & BACKBARROW PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 16th May 2016
In St Anne's Church Hall, Haverthwaite

The Meeting opened at 7.00pm

Present Cllrs, J Woddy, J Thompson, G Egglestone, C Stoddart , S Sanderson (C/Cllr & D/Cllr), J Hannigan

Introduction

1 Apologies

None

2 Election of Representatives

Councillor Woddy opened the meeting and following the Parish Council Elections, the following were duly elected:

Councillor Julie Thompson – Elected as Chair

Councillor Gordon Eggleston – Elected as Vice Chair

The following Committee representatives were also duly elected:

Lower Holker Committee - Councillors C Stoddart & J Thompson

Brow Edge Foundation – Councillors C Stoddart, G Eggleston & S Sanderson

Footpaths – Councillor G Eggleston

Auditor – Julia Cross

3 Chairmans Report

Councillor J Woody gave his report

4 Declaration of Interest

None

5 Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 16th March 2016

The minutes had been circulated to the Council; they were approved and signed as a true record.

No other ongoing issues reported.

6 Boundary Commission Proposals

Councillor Sanderson gave an overview of the proposed Boundary Commission proposals and highlighted that there is a consultation period within which the views of the local Parish Councils are being sought. She outlined her concerns that the new boundaries do not reflect the proper community links and local ties and suggested that the views of the Council be put forward in a letter.

7 Parish Plan/Resilience planning

Councillor Sanderson has spoken with Debbie Beech from the Environment Agency who is willing to help with the creation of the Parish resilience plan and it was suggested that this be reviewed at the next meeting.

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Litter Pick

This has been scheduled for 4th June. A discussion followed regarding timings, location and logistics

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Queens Birthday Celebrations

This has been scheduled for 5th June at the Community Centre. A discussion followed regarding timings and logistics

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Police Report

PCSO Harris unable to attend, so no formal report.

Councilor Woddy reported what appear to be 2 abandoned cars in the village

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Town and Country Planning Act, 1990

A discussion on how the Parish Council deals with planning applications followed and it was agreed that:

All plans were to be circulated between councillors with a strict time limit given in which to pass them on

Visits to be arranged - suggested names be put into an envelope to decide who would visit

Plans to be returned to Clerk who can then respond with any comments

Order of Circulation = JT, CS, SS, GW, JH, JW, JB

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Insurance

The Parish Council EL and PL Insurance currently held with Zurich is due for renewal. A discussion followed and resulted in a request for the Clerk to source alternatives

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Audit

The annual audit of the Parish Council Accounts is due by BDO at the end of June

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Correspondence

The list of correspondence had been circulated and reviewed by all members.

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Finance

Details of the financial position were distributed.

Councillor Sanderson suggested using the locality budget for Solar powered lights at the bus stops. A discussion followed and it was agreed that Councillor Sanderson would approach LDNPA and Highways to ascertain the feasibility of such.

A request was made to the Clerk to speak to HSBC about switching Bank Accounts

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County Councillor and District Councillor Reports:

C/Cllr & D/Cllr Sanderson updated the group

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AOB

A request for sponsorship from Leven Valley Athletics has been received. It was agreed to donate £200 to this local cause and Councillor Eggleston will speak to the organisers to arrange

New notice boards are now ready and will need to be installed. Locations were agreed and Councillor Thompson will approach several local companies for quotes to install.

Meeting then closed at 8:45pm. Next meeting TBC subject to available dates (20th June 2016)

Signed:

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Chairman

Clerk

Date