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| **PENNINGTON PARISH COUNCIL**  **Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council**  **Monday 18th July 2022 7pm Parish Rooms**  **Minutes** | | | | | | |
| **Attendees** | Mrs Athersmith  Mrs Bell (Clerk) Mrs Slater | Mr Stretch  Mrs Thompson (Chair)  PC Madden | | 2 members of the public | | |
| **ITEM** | **DISCUSSION** | | **ACTIONS** | | **OWNER** | **DUE** |
| * Apologies | * Apologies received and accepted from Mr Davidson, Cllr Cooper and a representative the Loppergarth Community Group. | | | | | |
| * Declarations of Councillors Interests | * None | |  | |  |  |
| * Vacancies | * Swarthmoor Ward – 2 vacancies * Pennington Ward – 0 vacancies * Mrs Thompson informed members that a resident of Birkrigg Park had shown an interest in filling one of the vacancies. | | * Vacancies to be advertised on the website, CommChat and school newsletter. | |  |  |
| * Previous Minutes and Matters Arising | * Notice boards ongoing. * Issues relating to parking in various areas of the Parish are ongoing with the possibility of holding a consultation event with the Community Development Officer and various organisations. * It was resolved to re-visit the levelling up bill at the next meeting. * Minutes signed and agreed as a true and accurate reflection of the meeting. | | * Ongoing | | * Clerk | * Ongoing |
| * Public Participation by Question and Comment | * A member of the public provided what 3 words locations for parish footpaths where issues have been reported. The Parish Council extended sincere thanks for the time and effort in doing this. * A member of the public and Loppergarth Community Group informed the Parish Council that they had received a donation of a strimmer and requested information on ownership of the old petrol strimmer. * It was resolved to re-locate the old strimmer for use in the allotments. * A member of the public reported issues with overgrown Hawthorn hedges on a footpath at Pennington Lane and overgrown hedges on footpath from Loppergarth to Rowe Head. * A member of the public reported that repairs to Loppergarth Playground wall have been completed. | | * Clerk to report but residents encouraged to report through the online reporting system. | | * Clerk | * ASAP |
| * District Councillors/ Elected Members Reports | * Cllr Cooper reported via email that a section 24 notice is in place which means no significant revenue-raising, spending or investment decisions can be made by either district or county council without prior agreement from the new Westmorland and Furness Shadow Authority. This will potentially slow down any decision making until April 2023 but Cllr Cooper hopes to provide further updates in September following full council meetings over the summer period. | | * No action | |  |  |
| * Planning Matters | * SL/2022/0634 – Siting of a temporary agricultural workers dwelling and associated foul drainage treatment plant, extension to an existing agricultural building and the regularisation of a former commercial building for agricultural use at Whinfield Farm. | | * The Parish Council has no comment to make on the application. | | * Clerk | * ASAP |
| * Financial Matters | * Payments in total - £1,835.19 Community Sponsorship £100.00 SLDC Playground Inspections £884.32 Clerk Salary £452.40 Water Plus Parish Rooms £23.99 CALC Annual Subscription £346.09 CALC Finance Training £20.00 1 and 1 Ionos Website £8.39 * The following payments were discussed for approval: Duddon Fire extinguisher service £30-40   Millennium Gardens benches £410.00  It was suggested to contact Cllr Cooper to seek authorisation for the remainder of the donation to be spent on additional updates to the Millennium Gardens.   * Receipts in total - £4145.54 Room hire £120.00 LCG swing donation £539.40 VAT Return £3001.14 Room hire £20.00 Sunnyside Rent £465.00 * Balances as of 10th May 2022 - £31,291.53 Balances as of 10th June 2022 - £33,601.88 | |  | |  |  |
| * Correspondence | * Members were updated on various communications from a resident of Birkrigg Park who is passionate about retaining the current bus shelter. * It was commented that this has helped to instigated more communication with the residents of the estate and may lead to representative of the estate filling one of the vacancies on the Parish Council. * It was recognised that there is a desire to maintain a sheltered structure as opposed to a canopy only style shelter. * It was resolved to gather prices and information on various options including those received from residents. * Information and communications relating to Birkrigg Park Bus Shelter to be further considered at the next meeting. * A resident of Birkrigg Park requested permission to place copies of the minutes on the estate notice board. The Parish Council are under no obligation to display minutes as they are publicly available on the Parish website and by email on request. Practically, the Parish notice boards are not big enough to display the full set of minutes but a suggestion was made that a hard copy could be made publicly available in the local library. * A request was received for help in finding a solution to parking issues at Pennington School. * Mrs Athersmith informed members of damage to books from the telephone box book exchange. * It was resolved to monitor the situation and review at the next meeting. | | * To discuss at the next meeting. * Item to remain on the agenda. * Head teacher to be informed of parking consultation events. * To review at the next meeting. | | * All | * Next meet |
| * Adoption of Council Policies | * It was resolved to adopt the following policies: - GDPR   -Standing Orders -Code of Conduct - Financial Regulations | |  | |  |  |
| * Items for Future Agendas | * Telephone box book exchange * Levelling Up Bill | |  | |  |  |
| * Date of Next Meeting | The next ordinary meeting was requested for 12th September 2022 – 7pm in the Parish Rooms | | | | | |

Signed Chairman…………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………. Date…………………………………………………………

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