

## PENNINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2022

7pm

Parish Rooms

### Minutes

<b>Attendees</b>	Mrs Athersmith Mrs Bell (Clerk) Mr Davidson Mrs Slater	Mr Stretch (left 8.30) Mrs Thompson (Chair) Cllr Cooper Cllr Willis	2 members of the public		
<b>ITEM</b>	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>OWNER</b>	<b>DUE</b>	
1. Apologies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Apologies received from a representative from the Loppergarth Community Group.</li> </ul>				
2. Declarations of Councillors Interests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>None</li> </ul>				
3. Vacancies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Swarthmoor Ward – 2 vacancies</li> <li>Pennington Ward – 0 vacancies</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Vacancies to be advertised on the website, CommChat and school newsletter.</li> </ul>			
4. Previous Minutes and Matters Arising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One quote of £2055.17 for replacing 3 noticeboards was received. It was agreed to gather more quotes.</li> <li>Minutes signed and agreed as a true and accurate reflection of the meeting.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ongoing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clerk</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ongoing</li> </ul>	
5. Public Participation by Question and Comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A member of the public updated the Parish Council on their planning application. The application was granted with conditions ensuring the work is in accordance with the plans and thanks were extended to the Parish Council for supporting the application.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No action</li> </ul>			
6. District Councillors/ Elected Members Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cllr Willis updated the Parish Council on LGR, including elected cabinet for Westmoorland and Furness, services and current restrictions on spending and larger projects.</li> <li>Cllr Willis informed members of a budget set aside for road markings and speed guns.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No action</li> </ul>			
The Chair proposed a change in the order of the agenda. All members agreed – order below as discussed with original Agenda Item number.					
7. Police Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not discussed – nothing to raise.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No action</li> </ul>			

9. Loppergarth/ Pennington	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A representative from the Loppergarth Community Group requested that thanks be noted and extended to the resident who painted the Telephone Box in time for the Jubilee weekend.</li> <li>• A representative of the Loppergarth Community Group informed the Parish Council that just under £200 was raised from Jubilee events.</li> <li>• A member of the Loppergarth Community Group sent a reminder of the Community Meeting in the Wellington on 23<sup>rd</sup> June at 7pm.</li> <li>• 2 identical quotes of £450 + VAT were received for righting the bowed wall in the playground. <b>A vote was cast and the unanimous decision was made in favour of quote 2.</b></li> <li>• Mrs Thompson informed members that parking consultation events are still ongoing and is still awaiting a response from the community development officer.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thanks to be included in the CommChat magazine.</li> <li>• HSL to contact contractor</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• YA</li> <li>• HSI</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Next publication</li> <li>• ASAP</li> </ul>
8. Swarthmoor/ High Carley	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Clerk informed members that the relocation of the 3 parish bins has been approved and is ongoing.</li> <li>• The Clerk informed members of the option to hire additional bins at a cost of around £200-£300 per annum as opposed to purchasing them.</li> <li>• Issues around parking on Moorgarth/ Fox Street were discussed. It is believed that the green space is owned by South Lakes Housing and it was commented that they are unlikely to fund the work. It was suggested to contact Loraine Birchall and arrange a community meeting.</li> <li>• Parking issues relating to Park Road and the garage were discussed. Unfortunately, not much can be done as it is a public highway and providing vehicles are taxed and insured, they are not parked illegally. Cllr Willis stated that this issue has been ongoing for some time and solutions have been considered including residents parking permits – this would lead to ‘official’</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No action</li> <li>• To be included on future agenda for consideration.</li> <li>• Clerk to contact LB and letter drop on Moorgarth.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clerk</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ongoing</li> </ul>

	<p>spaces being created which drastically reduce the overall area for parking.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Swarthmoor playground was discussed in relation to grounds maintenance. Mr Stretch confirmed that areas of the grass have been cut and it was suggested that the football club are approached to cut the grass periodically.</li> <li>• The Clerk discussed correspondence received from a resident of Birkrigg Park who is passionate about keeping the bus shelter.</li> <li>• Members of the Parish Council commented that following consultation with members of the public, the decision had already been made to remove the shelter.</li> <li>• It was agreed that this decision should be upheld but the Parish Council are keen to replace the shelter with an alternative and more appropriate structure.</li> <li>• Clerk informed members of complaints regarding the safety of the trees near the basketball surface. It was suggested to investigate their ownership before any further action is taken.</li> <li>• Clerk informed members that a quote of £1302.28 had been received for new raised planters in the Millennium Gardens.</li> <li>• Mrs Slater thanked Mr Stretch for sourcing the quote and updated members on discussions around preserving wildlife and tree/ plant species in the gardens.</li> <li>• It has been decided that the best option at the current time is to continue with a maintenance plan, replacing the benches and blossom trees in the adjacent triangle.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr Stretch to speak to the football club.</li> <li>• Clerk to contact the resident to discuss options.</li> <li>• Clerk to contact Ulverston Townlands</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HSt</li> <li>• Clerk</li> <li>• Clerk</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Next meeting</li> <li>• Ongoing</li> <li>• Next meeting</li> </ul>
10. Footpaths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr Davidson reported a number of issues with footpaths.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clerk to contact the CAT to discuss difficulties in reporting via the online system and to discuss online and worsening issues with FP563014</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clerk</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ongoing</li> </ul>

11. Sunnyside/ Parish Rooms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clerk requested consideration for a lockable post-box for hirers to leave payment.</li> <li>• All members agreed to this proposal.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clerk to price/ order post box</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clerk</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ongoing</li> </ul>
12. Planning Matters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No issues raised from previous applications.</li> <li>• The following applications were discussed and responses agreed as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- SL/2022/0435 – Erection of building over existing sheep handling pens and lean to extension off existing barn at Castle Hill Farm, Becksides, Pennington</li> <li>- SL/2022/0180 – regulate the use of land for the recreational keeping of horses and construction of an all-weather exercise surface with fencing at Carley Lane was refused.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In principal, the Parish Council have no objections to the application but have observed that monument in the area is listed on the Historic England Heritage at Risk Register and request that consideration be given to this fact.</li> <li>• The Parish Council commented on this application previously as follows “In principal, there are no objections to this application, providing that this is for personal use only. If this is became a riding school, there would be considerable issues with traffic and parking”. These concerns are still valid and there is still concern that there is potential for considerable issues with access, traffic and parking.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clerk</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ASAP</li> </ul>
13. Financial Matters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All payments as on agenda were accepted.</li> <li>• The following payments were discussed for approval <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Arnold Baker Administration book 13<sup>th</sup> edition</li> <li>- Loppergarth playground wall</li> </ul> </li> <li>• All receipts as on agenda were accepted.</li> <li>• Balances as on agenda were accepted.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All payments were approved</li> </ul>		
14. Correspondence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Levelling up Bill received from Tim Farron to be discussed at future meeting. Comments/ thoughts to be sent via email in the first instance.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To discuss at the next meeting.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Next meet</li> </ul>

15. Highways	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Concerns were raised over the damage to the Harry Christian bench.</li> <li>Disappointment was expressed in the lack of layby for the bus stop at Cross-a-Moor.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clerk to contact Highways England.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clerk</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ASAP</li> </ul>
16. Adoption of Council Policies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It was agreed to have a limited agenda for the next meeting in order to adequately discuss and consider the following policies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- GDPR</li> <li>-Standing Orders</li> <li>-Code of Conduct</li> <li>- Financial Regulations</li> </ul> </li> <li>Alternative meetings will be held in this way until all policies have been adopted.</li> </ul>			
17. Items for Future Agendas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nothing raised</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No action</li> </ul>		
18. Date of Next Meeting	The next ordinary meeting was requested for 18 <sup>th</sup> July 2022 – 7pm in the Parish Rooms			

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

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