

**PENNINGTON PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council**  
**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2022**  
**7pm**  
**Parish Rooms**

**Minutes**

<b>Attendees</b>	Mrs Athersmith Mrs Bell (Clerk) Mrs Slater Mr Stretch (left 8.40pm)	Mrs Thompson (Chair) Cllr Cooper Guest Speaker 1 Members of the public		
<b>ITEM</b>	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>OWNER</b>	<b>DUE</b>
22-12/1 Apologies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Apologies received and accepted from Cllr Willis, 1 member of the public</li> </ul>			
22-12/2 Declarations of Councillors Interests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clerk – 22-12/11</li> </ul>			
22-12/3 Exclusion of the Press and Public	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There were no items that required exclusion from the Press or the Public</li> </ul>			
22-12/4 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 and requested to be advertised via CommChat and school newsletter.</li> </ul>		
22-12/5 Previous Minutes dated 14-11-2022 and Matters Arising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Quotes for works at Sunnyside/ Parish Rooms ongoing.</li> <li>Minutes signed as a true and accurate reflection of the meeting.</li> </ul>			
22-12/6 Guest Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Guest speaker informed council of:</li> <li>Recent visit to warm spaces in the Ulverston area where social activities, hot drinks, soup etc was provided and advice given through 3<sup>rd</sup> parties.</li> <li>Recent visit to warm spaces in the Kendal area where social activities, hot drinks etc were provided. A planned</li> </ul>			

	<p>letter drop to 16k people in the Kendal area and advice given through 3<sup>rd</sup> parties and funding granted to them through BWECT.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information received on historic neighbour/ consultee responses to the Storey Homes development at Cross-a-Moor (application from 2014).</li> <li>• Issues/ concerns raised previously included:</li> <li>• Access from the A590 which is now planned for Pennington Lane in close proximity to the School and Nursery.</li> <li>• Issues around sewerage and drainage.</li> <li>• The need for an archaeological dig.</li> <li>• Geology of the land – clay.</li> <li>• Streetlighting</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Council to contact Storey Homes and request ongoing updates/ communication on developments.</li> <li>• Concerns were raised regarding the increased flooding/ water run-off from fields following completion of the roundabout.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HSI to draft letter to Storey Homes</li> <li>• LT to contact landowner</li> <li>• LB to liaise with BC, JW and NH with regard to issues.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HSI</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Next meet</li> </ul>
<p>22-12/7 Public Participation by Question and Comment</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 member of the public sent best wishes to Council for the Christmas period.</li> <li>• 1 member of the public commented on the CLP and how 64% of questionnaires were not returned.</li> <li>• 1 member of the public updated Council on the Cowran Farm Campsite and the next stage of action.</li> <li>• 1 member of the public requested confirmation on the opinion of Council on the Cowran Estate Campsite.</li> <li>• Council confirmed that the development was in line with Natural England and Freedom Camping procedure and that as no planning application was required, Council were not required as a consultee to comment.</li> <li>• It was confirmed that Council had spoken to all parties including Cowran Estate, Residents, Freedom Camping,</li> </ul>			

	Natural England and had taken legal guidance and Council opinion remained neutral.			
22-12/8 District Councillors/ Elected Members Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cllr Willis reported via Email that Fire and Rescue Service was being taken over by the Police and Crime Commissioner.</li> <li>• Cllr Cooper informed Council of potential issues with planning enforcement.</li> <li>• Cllr Cooper reported on roles, budget and responsibilities within the WAF Unitary Authority and will continue to provide updates.</li> </ul>			
22-12/9 Swarthmoor/ High Carley	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Council considered feedback from residents regarding the replacement shelter at Birkrigg Park.</li> <li>• Responses showed votes for solid panels as: Black = 12, Green = 5, Blue = 1, Red = 0, Grey = 7</li> <li>• Responses for perforated panels as: Black = 11, Green = 5, Blue = 1, Red = 0, Grey = 8</li> <li>• Responses for perch seat as: Black = 13, Green = 6, Blue = 1, Red = 1, Grey = 8</li> <li>• Responses for 2 x half end panels = 3</li> <li>• Responses for 1 x half, 1 x full end panels = 6</li> <li>• Responses for 2 x full end panels = 14</li> <li>• As voted by residents – Council resolved to agree the colour of the shelter as all black.</li> <li>• Having received advice to consider the impact of 2 full sides given the possibility that the shelter may be re-positioned, possible impact on visibility from the junction and professional recommendation to consider 2 half sides, Council considered both views and resolved to agree 1 full side and 1 half side.</li> <li>• Swarthmoor playground report received with recommendation for cleaning of wooden benches and grass cutting.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LT to engage with locality officer on cleaning/ descaling and painting of equipment</li> </ul>		

22-12/10 Pennington/ Loppergarth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Playground report received, ongoing recommendation to replace slide timbers.</li> <li>Grass cutting.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HSI to discuss additional quotes with LCG.</li> </ul>		
22-12/11 Sunnyside/ Parish Rooms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Quotes for work ongoing.</li> <li>Council agreed the replacement external light.</li> <li>Council agreed to the use of a keysafe at the Parish Rooms</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clerk and Council to engage with local tradesmen for quotes.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ongoing</li> </ul>
22-12/12 Planning Matters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SL/2022/0132 – Single storey rear extension at 30 Trinkeld Avenue</li> <li>SL/2022/0160 – Discharge of conditions 3 and 4 at Whinfield Farm (SL/2022/0634)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Council has no comment to make.</li> <li>The Council has no comment to make</li> <li>Clerk to contact LAMPC re; the concrete batching plant.</li> </ul>		
22-12/13 Financial Matters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Payments in total</b> <b>£868.45</b></li> <li>Duddon Fire – service and replacements £116.40</li> <li>Clerks expenses stationery £63.48</li> <li>Npower Streetlighting £78.64</li> <li>Ellies Flowers Condolence £35.00</li> <li>CALC Training £90.00</li> <li>Salary £452.40</li> <li>Waterplus allotments £12.15</li> <li>1 and 1 Ionos Website £20.38</li> <li><b>The following payments were discussed for approval:</b></li> <li>Playground painting £450.00</li> <li>Loppergarth Slide Timbers £1500</li> <li><b>Receipts in total</b> <b>£1060.50</b></li> <li>Room hire £40.00</li> <li>Downstairs room hire £9.00</li> <li>Donation £30.00</li> <li>Sunnyside rent (Aug) £465.00</li> <li>Room hire £31.50</li> <li>Room hire £20.00</li> <li>Sunnyside Rent £465.00</li> <li><b>Balances as of 9<sup>th</sup> October 2022</b> <b>£26,638.86</b></li> <li><b>Balances as of 10<sup>th</sup> November 2022</b> <b>£26,830.91</b></li> </ul>			

22-12/14 Budget and Precept	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Precept to be finalised on receipt of Council Tax Base – with incremental and minimal raise in requested precept.</li> <li>• Reserves and grants to be used where necessary/ possible.</li> </ul>			
22-12/16 Adoption of Council Policies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It was resolved to adopt the following policies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Co-option Procedure</li> <li>- Non-Compliance with Code of Conduct</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			
22-12/17 Cross-a-Moor/ Loppergarth ongoing works	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nothing to report</li> </ul>			
22-12/18 CommChat Magazine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Council were informed that someone is taking over the production of the CommChat magazine, YA to continue sending information.</li> </ul>			
22-12/19 Items for Future Agendas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Limited Agenda for January meeting</li> <li>• CIL</li> <li>• Precept</li> <li>• Future Meetings</li> <li>• Community Led Plan</li> <li>• King's Coronation</li> <li>• Civility and Respect Pledge</li> </ul>			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meeting closed at 8.35pm</li> </ul>			
22-12/17 Date of Next Meeting	The next ordinary meeting was requested for 9 <sup>th</sup> January 2022 – 7pm in the Parish Rooms			

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

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