

PENNINGTON PARISH COUNCIL
Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council
Monday 14th November 2022
7pm
Parish Rooms

Minutes

Attendees	Mrs Athersmith (arrived 7.10pm) Mrs Bell (Clerk) Mr Davidson Mrs Slater Mr Stretch (left 8.40pm)	Mrs Thompson (Chair) 6 Members of the public		
ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTIONS	OWNER	DUE
22-11/1 Apologies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Apologies received and accepted from Cllr Cooper, Cllr Willis, member of the Loppergarth Community Group 			
22-11/2 Declarations of Councillors Interests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A 			
22-11/3 Exclusion of the Press and Public	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There were no items that required exclusion from the Press or the Public 			
22-11/4 Vacancies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Swarthmoor Ward – 2 vacancies Pennington Ward – 0 vacancies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vacancies to be advertised on the website and requested to be advertised via CommChat and school newsletter. 		
22-11/5 Previous Minutes dated 10-10-2022 and Matters Arising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quotes for works at Sunnyside/ Parish Rooms ongoing. Minutes agreed as a true and accurate reflection of the meeting and signed as such. 			
22-11/6 Guest Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Relevant information unavailable for the meeting – to be moved to the next agenda. 			
22-11/7 Public Participation by Question and Comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member of the public provided a number of feedback forms in relation to the Birkrigg Park Bus Shelter, and commented on preferred size of the new structure. 			

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member of the public reported completion of repairs to damaged wall at West Green. Member of the public raised concerns over lack of speed signs around the High Carley/Birkrigg Park estate area. Member of the public raised concerns regarding flooding on the roads around the High Carley/ Birkrigg Park estate area. Member of the public provided an update of events and Risk Assessment on the impact to the community in relation to Cowran Farm Campsite. 			
22-11/8 District Councillors/ Elected Members Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nothing to report from Cllr Willis. Via email, Cllr Cooper informed Council on the increased costs relating to Grange Lido. Nothing to report on the new unitary authority. 			
22-11/9 Swarthmoor/ High Carley	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirmation of approval of the Grant Application for Birkrigg Park Bus Shelter. Confirmation of wall repairs at West Green. Playground report not received. Additional quote for fence/ gate repairs at Swarthmoor playground received. <p>-Propser, seconder and majority vote for the second – more comprehensive quote.</p>	- HSt to arrange	- HS	- Ongoing
22-11/10 Pennington/ Loppergarth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Playground report not received. Recognition that carpark repairs as promised by HE have not been fulfilled. 			
22-11/11 Sunnyside/ Parish Rooms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quotes for work ongoing. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clerk and Council to engage with local tradesmen for quotes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing
22-11/12 Planning Matters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SL/2022/0939 – Side extension to 8 Ulverston Road. 5/22/9007 – Tony Brown Aggregates 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Council has no comment to make. The Council has no comment to make 		
22-11/13 Financial Matters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Payments in total £5,417.87 ACE Shelters e capital commerce £4,632.50 EON Next Parish Rooms £68.74 			

	<p>Salary £452.40 Waterplus allotments £12.15 N Power Streetlights £189.26 N Power Streetlights Loppergarth £62.82</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The following payments were discussed for approval: • Receipts in total £594.00 Band room hire (Aug, Sept) £120.00 Downstairs room hire £9.00 Sunnyside rent (Aug) £465.00 • Balances as of 10th August 2022 £31,462.73 Balances as of 9th September 2022 £26,638.86 			
22-11/14 Budget and Precept	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Breakdown/ calculation of each budget line was discussed in relation to the previous year including anticipated increase and inflation and it was agreed that each is accurate and relevant. • The impact to the precept was discussed in that it could result in a substantial increase. • It was resolved by proposer, seconder and majority vote to accept the proposed budget in principal with a view to re-assess on receipt of the council tax base. • Precept to be finalised and agreed on receipt of Council Tax Base. • It was requested that consideration be given to minimal increase to the precept where possible with building reserves, CIL and grants to be used where necessary/ possible. 			
22-11/15 Rent/ Salary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposer, seconder and majority vote in favour of maintain rental amounts on Sunnyside, Allotments and Grazing Land. • Proposer, seconder and majority vote in favour of Clerk's incremental salary increase to SCP 8. • More information to be received in relation to working from home allowance. 			
22-11/16 Adoption of Council Policies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was resolved to adopt the following policies: - Code of Conduct 			

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Disciplinary Procedure - Bullying and Harassment Policy - Grievance Policy - Press and Media Policy 			
22-11/17 Items for Future Agendas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heating hubs/ cost of living/ energy crisis support • Housing development at Cross-a-Moor • Community Led Plan • King’s Coronation • Uncompleted Cross-a-Moor and Loppergarth works (HE) • Precept • Civility and Respect Pledge 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting closed at 8.45pm 			
22-11/17 Date of Next Meeting	The next ordinary meeting was requested for 12 th December 2022 – 7pm in the Parish Rooms			

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

Signed Clerk..... Date.....