

PENNINGTON PARISH COUNCIL
Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council
Monday 17th April 2023
7pm
Parish Rooms

Minutes

Attendees	Mrs Athersmith Mrs Bell (Clerk) Mr Davidson Mrs Slater	Mr Stretch Mrs Thompson (Chair) Cllr Cooper (20:26)	4 members of the public		
ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTIONS	OWNER	DUE	
23-04/1 Apologies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Apologies received and accepted from Cllr Brereton 				
23-04/2 Declarations of Councillors Interests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 				
23-04/3 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 				
23-04/4 Vacancies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was noted that elections for both Swarthmoor and Pennington wards were uncontested with 3 seats elected to the Swarthmoor ward and 2 elected to the Pennington ward. As the elections were uncontested, there will be no poll on 4th May. 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. 			
23-04/5 Previous Minutes dated 14-11-2022 and Matters Arising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minutes signed as a true and accurate reflection of the meeting. 				
23-04/6 Public Participation by Question and Comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 member of the public raised ongoing concerns regarding the campsite at Cowran Estate in particular that there should be no support for developments without planning 				

	<p>permission and also with regards to road safety and highway/ traffic impact and risk assessments carried out by Freedom Camping. It was requested that the Parish Council request these assessment documents from Freedom Camping.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was confirmed that after researching through the planning authority, Freedom Camping and from discussions with the landowner, that there are no current plans for a campsite at Cowran Farm and as such, no current/ relevant road safety or traffic impact assessments in place. • It was confirmed that the landowner will consult with the Parish Council and attend meetings to provide updates and information if future plans for a campsite are considered. • Two residents from Birkrigg Park presented information and support from residents for a project to install Public Access Defibrillators at Birkrigg Park. • Council agreed to support estate representatives and the Residents Association (once officially formed) in signposting to funding opportunities, advice services and to offer support at association meetings if required. • Parish Council agreed to receive information and grant funding application when completed however, it may be necessary to consider large grant applications and ongoing financial commitments during the budget setting meeting for the next financial year. • The item will remain on the agenda for future discussions. 			
Chair moved item 23-04/7 to the end of the meeting				
23-04/7 District Councillors/ Elected Members Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Cooper confirmed that West Moorland and Furness Cumbria Council has been live since 1st April 2023 and work is ongoing in transforming services through the authorities. 			
23-04/8 Swarthmoor/ High Carley	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quotes for playground works to be chased. • Ongoing and additional issues regarding the wetland area were reported including damage to the gate. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clerk to chase and update on quotes once received 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clerk 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter to be drafted to NH detailing the growing concerns 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AD/ Clerk 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing 																												
23-04/9 Pennington/ Loppergarth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was resolved to monitor the wall at Loppergarth playground It was confirmed that materials for the slide repairs at Loppergarth have been ordered. Confirmation of when the work will be carried out still to be received. The carpark surface was raised as an issue. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clerk to chase slide repairs Consideration to be given to resurfacing/ repair 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clerk 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing 																												
23-04/10 Sunnyside/ Parish Rooms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recent property review was discussed and issues highlighted. It was resolved to hire a skip for removal of general waste It was resolved to gather quotes for building work as identified in the report. 																															
23-04/11 Planning Matters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SL/2023/0259 – change of use of agricultural land to domestic curtilage at Craigroy, Pennington 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The application was discussed and the Council has no comment to make. 																														
23-04/12 Financial Matters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was noted that the balances on the agenda were incorrect. Correct balances as follows <table> <tr> <td>Bank Statement Payments in total</td> <td>£2,488.76</td> </tr> <tr> <td>AJG Insurance (Sunnyside)</td> <td>£621.57</td> </tr> <tr> <td>AJG Insurance (Council)</td> <td>£1,364.25</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Salary</td> <td>£452.40</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Waterplus allotments</td> <td>£12.15</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ulverston Townlands</td> <td>£30.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1 and 1 Ionos website</td> <td>£8.39</td> </tr> </table> <table> <tr> <td>Bank Statement Receipts in total</td> <td>£550.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sunnyside rent</td> <td>£465.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Room hire</td> <td>£60.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Room Hire</td> <td>£25.00</td> </tr> </table> <table> <tr> <td>Cash Book Payments in total</td> <td>£906.96</td> </tr> <tr> <td>MD Hanafin (Slide timbers)</td> <td>£323.57</td> </tr> <tr> <td>AJG Insurance (balance)</td> <td>£88.39</td> </tr> </table> 	Bank Statement Payments in total	£2,488.76	AJG Insurance (Sunnyside)	£621.57	AJG Insurance (Council)	£1,364.25	Salary	£452.40	Waterplus allotments	£12.15	Ulverston Townlands	£30.00	1 and 1 Ionos website	£8.39	Bank Statement Receipts in total	£550.00	Sunnyside rent	£465.00	Room hire	£60.00	Room Hire	£25.00	Cash Book Payments in total	£906.96	MD Hanafin (Slide timbers)	£323.57	AJG Insurance (balance)	£88.39			
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	<p>CALC Social Media Training £30.00 Dawson Building Contractor £465.00</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cash Book Receipts £0.00 • Total Payments £3,837.68 • Total Receipts £550.00 • Balances as of 10th February 2023 £25,263.29 Balances as of 10th March 2023 £23,324.53 Including cashbook payments/ receipts £23,247.47 • Reserves in total £23,247.47 Building maintenance £15,113.01 CIL £7,121.73 Bus shelter maintenance £1,012.73 <p>The following payments were discussed for approval: CALC/ NALC annual subscription £373.66 SSE Unmetered supply increase of approx. £29 per month as best deal through Utility Aid.</p>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Payment approved • Payment approvedd
23-04/13 Year End Finances	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be carried to next meeting 				
23-04/14 Grants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grant application form for Swarthmoor Social Group through the Reading Room Management Committee was received for £100 as £80 for the first 2 months rent and £20 for start-up activities and refreshments 				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grant application approved
23-04/15 Kings Coronation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HSI confirmed that a meeting was to take place on Wed 19th April for further discussion. • It was questioned what funding would be available for advertising/ equipment for the Coronation • It was confirmed that there is small amount available through S137 funding 				

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LT had contacted Pennington School to discuss supporting any plans they had but has not received a response so no resolution made. 			
23-04/16 CIL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No resolutions made on benches through CIL – to remain on the agenda for further discussion once Highways land has been identified and confirmation of planning permission has been received. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • YA to update at the next meeting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • YA 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next meet
23-04/17 LGR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As updated by Cllr Cooper 			
23-04/18 Comm Chat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was confirmed that 2 people are due to take over the Comm Chat publication 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting closed at 8.40pm 			
23-04/19 Date of Next Meeting	The next ordinary meeting was requested for 15 th May 2023 – 7pm in the Parish Rooms			

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

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