

PENNINGTON PARISH COUNCIL
Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council
Monday 4th December 2023
7pm
Parish Rooms

Minutes

Attendees	Mrs Bell (Clerk) Mr Davidson	Mrs Slater (Chair) Mr Stretch	PCSO Madden 1 members of the public		
ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTIONS	OWNER	DUE	
23-12/1 Apologies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Apologies received and accepted from Mrs Thompson, Mrs Athersmith, Cllr Cooper - Vice Chair Mrs Slater to Chair 				
23-12/2 Declarations of Councillors Interests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 				
23-12/3 Exclusion of the Press and Public	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 				
23-12/4 Vacancies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The following vacancies were noted: 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. 			
23-12/5 Previous Minutes dated 13/11/23 and Matters Arising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minutes signed as a true and accurate reflection of the meeting. 				
23-12/6 Public Participation by Question and Comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Issues with the path alongside Loppergarth Playground were raised. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Issues to be reported via online system 			

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23-12/7 District Councillors/ Elected Members Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PCSO Madden informed Council that speeding on Main Road is an issue and is ongoing. • PCSO Madden informed Council that new 'no cold callers' signs have been distributed due to incorrect telephone number. 			
23-12/8 Clerk's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attached 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forward emails relating Moorgarth to Mrs Slater/ PCSO Madden 		
23-12/9 Member's Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council were informed that the Main Road, Loppergarth pothole has been repaired. • Council were informed of stickers for defibs. • Council were informed that Loppergarth road repairs are complete. 			
23-12/10 Planning Matters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nothing to report. 			
23-12/11 Financial Matters	<p>Financial Matters Balance as at 010/010/2023</p> <p>Payments <u>To resolve to note the following payments from Bank Statements</u> <u>11/10/2023 – 10/11/2023</u></p> <p>P. Clarke playground repairs Benson playground grass cutting SRRMC Donation Ulverston Townlands rent Duddon Fire – extinguisher service SSE Streetlights Diamond Windows lock changes Salary Thompson tree surgery Waterplus allotments Admin costs</p>	<p><u>£35,661.33</u></p> <p>£455.00 £85.00 £20.00 £30.00 £62.40 £63.26 £480.00 £452.4 £320.00 £10.92 £25.97</p>		

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Total Bank Statement Expenditure	<u>£2,025.33</u>		
Receipts			
<u>To resolve to note the following receipts from Bank Statements</u>			
<u>11/10/2023 – 10/11/2023</u>			
WAF playground inspection refund	£283.50		
Room Hire	£31.00		
Sunnyside Rent	£465.00		
Total Bank Statement Receipts	<u>£779.50</u>		
Bank Statement Balance at 10/11/2023	<u>£34,415.50</u>		
<u>Cashbook Payments</u>			
Salary backpay	£340.00		
WFH allowance backpay	£312.00		
Poppy wreath donation	£50.00		
SLCC Membership	£149.00		
Total Cashbook Payments	<u>£851.00</u>		
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Total Cashbook Receipts	<u>£00.00</u>		
Total Payments	<u>£2,876.33</u>		
Total Receipts	<u>£779.50</u>		
Running Balance	<u>£33,564.50</u>		
Reserves			
General	£2,000.00		
Buildings Maintenance	£13,595.76		
CIL	£7,121.78		

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	Bus Shelters Maintenance Election Fees Playground Maintenance Total <u>To resolve to consider/approve the following payments:</u>	£1,521.73 £2,000.00 £1,298.80 <u>£27,538.07</u>		
23-12/12 From Previous Agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council discussed grants available from the War Memorial Trust and resolved to approve Mrs Slater to investigate further. • It was resolved to thank the electricity board for their support during adverse weather conditions. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mrs Slater to investigate • Mrs Slater to publicly thank on Social Media 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mrs Slater • Mrs Slater 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing • ASAP
23-12/13 Policy Review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The following policies were considered and re-adopted <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bullying and Harassment Policy • Co-option procedure • Non Compliance with Code of Conduct 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clerk to pp acceptance sheets 	
23-12/14 Draft Budget/ Precept	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each budget line was discussed and explanation on how the figure for each was reached. • Council were advised of the General Reserves requirements, to hold between 3-12 months of the anticipated expenditure for the year. • The draft budget, precept and the transfer of under spent budget items for last year would result in a general reserve of between 3-4 months expenditure. • Consideration was given to transferring earmarked reserves to the general reserve to eliminate the possibility of over-spending general reserves. • It was resolved to agree to start building reserves for additional projects such as carparks, footpaths and allotments. • Council Tax Base has not yet been received so final resolution to approve the budget will take place in January meeting. 			

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23-12/15 Items for future agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Unity Banking• Room Hire			
23-12/16 Date of Next Meeting	The next ordinary meeting was requested for 15 th January 2023 – 7pm in the Parish Rooms.			
Meeting closed at 20:30				

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