

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD IN THE CHURCH ROOM at MILLBECK ON
Monday 18 March 2013 at 2.00 pm**

PRESENT : Mr J Wilson (in the Chair) Mrs J Boniface, Mr T Gibbs, Mrs K Hind , Mr C Corder Mr T Ryan

In attendance : Clerk. Dr Donaldson.

2013.014 Apologies for absence Mrs B Bulman

2013.15 Minutes The Minutes of the last meeting held on 15 January 2013 were approved and the Chairman was authorised to sign them.

2013.16 Declarations of Interest

Members were asked to declare any interest in any Agenda items and none was declared.

2013.17 Opportunity for Public Participation Dr Donaldson referred to the obliteration of the white line at the crossroads by the Village Hall in Millbeck, and the unsatisfactory position of the Stop Sign. It was agreed that this would be added to the list of items needing attention prepared after the recent visit from Tim Shields of Cumbria Highways. It was also agreed to ask the National Trust if they would consider marking a white line on their side of the junction.

2013.18 Finance

(i) Bank Balances were reported as £1233.32 in the Current Account Number 50829528 and £3,618.81 in the Deposit account Number 51070916. This agreed with the Cash Book statement.

(ii) Cheques It was resolved to approve the writing of a cheque for £7.50 to Crosthwaite PCC for use of the Church Room for the meeting.

(iii) Hardstanding at Thrushwood Noticeboard The Chairman would seek to ensure that this work was progressed.

2013.19 Lake District National Park Authority

(i) Application 7/2012/2037 Little Dodd Garden Centre : Replacement Dwelling house Resubmission. Since the proposed replacement dwelling was now to be located on the Garden Centre site, rather than on the adjoining green field it was agreed that the Council would be willing to support the application, on the basis that the use of the house would be tied to the garden centre use being for a manager or owner of the centre. The council was pleased to be able to give this support to the business.

2013.20 Cumbria County Council and Highways Agency

Work had begun on the second part of the cycle track round Crosthwaite Roundabout. The Council agreed that its preferred option for the infill of the horizontal barrier between the track and the carriageway was for it to be natural – grass or planting.

Notification was received of repair work to be carried out at the flyover where the A66 crosses the Greta. This would involve lane closures for about a week.

Councillors had been round the Terrace Roads with Tim Shield of Cumbria Highways Department and Steven Maxwell the Highway Steward. A number of

matters was agreed to be attended to and a list was drawn up. There was little evidence of work starting, apart from an emergency repair to a dangerous drop off the road near Underscar Manor. It was agreed that the Clerk should write to Tim Shield asking for the Scheme of Work which he would have drawn up as a result of this, and asking him if he would come to one of the meetings in May to up-date the Council and members of the public.

2013.21 **Cumbria Association of Local Councils**

Information concerning Whole Valley Planning would be passed to Cllor Corder to consider and report on.

Circulars for February and March 2013 were received. Cllor Gibbs would try to attend a joint meeting for parishes in Allerdale on 26 March at Bothel. This would discuss locality working. The Chairman and Clerk would try to attend a meeting of the Parish Forum on 29 April at 7.00pm (other members welcome to go if available).

2013.22 **Sewage Works**

Plans had been received for the landscaping but they were unfinished and lacking in detail. Further plans were promised, but had not yet arrived. Members were still concerned about the ugly lighting fittings which would not be completely solved by painting the standards. Clerk to write to Kevin Richards, and also to ask UU to re-consider.

2013.23 **Derwent 7**

This had been reconvened but had not settled down yet. Further reports would follow.

2013.24 **Members' Reports**

Website

A report was received from Cllor Boniface regarding the updating of the website. Emails for the Village Hall committee can now be received via the website. Cllor Corder as chairman of the VHC managed the updating of documents and events. A link has been made from the website to that of Allerdale BC to enable Members' registrable interests to be viewed. Updating of Parish Council Minutes will shortly be completed. It was agreed that only Minutes from the past 2 years should be set up on the website, and a note would be added to website referring enquirers to the Clerk for older Minutes. It was similarly agreed regarding Planning Committee Minutes which were fewer in number as meetings were only held when necessary. It was agreed only current Newsletters should be on the site, as their content was transient. The Parish Room section was updated as information became available. The Council thanked Cllor Boniface for her work on this website.

Village Hall Committee

The AGM had been held recently and it was agreed to produce a flyer up-dating information on the projects concerning repairs, the extension, and the hydro project. Original documents would be available for inspection on certain Sundays. The Quiz night had been very successful; a Palm Court afternoon was planned for 29 April and a Coronation Lunch in the summer. Cllor Corder offered to have a Parish Newsletter delivered with the Committee's delivery.

2013.25 **Request for an additional seat in Latrigg**

A request had been received from the family of a former Keswick resident for the Parish Council's support for the installation of a second seat near the summit of

Latrigg. The Parish Council did not have power to grant or refuse the seat. It will however to express its support in principle. It would prefer a position slightly set down from the ridge line, but still looking over Keswick, and the clerk should put the applicant in touch with the Park Ranger in the first place, as agreed with the Planning officer who was uncertain about the need for planning permission without further information.

2013.26 **Annual Parish Meeting – Thursday 9 May at 7.00 pm**

Cllor Gibbs had succeeded in finding a speaker from the Fire Service and it was agreed that this should be confirmed.

2013.27 **Dates of future meetings**

Although this meeting had had to be changed future meetings would follow the agreed pattern and be at the Village Hall at 2.30 on May 21, July 16, September 17 and November 19.