

Askham and Helton Parish Council

Meeting: Parish Council Meeting **Date:** Tuesday, 26 July 2022

Venue: Askham and District Community Centre

Present: Laura Harker (LH), Gary Calland (GC), John Banks (JB), Malcolm Holt (MH), Mary Westgarth (MW), Chris Whittaker (CW)

Apologies: Tom Lowther (TL), Neil Hughes (NH)

In Attendance: Sandie Watson (Clerk/RFO)

Members of Public: 1

Minutes

Item	Key Points/decisions	Action
01/07/102 Apologies	Cllr Lowther – Illness Resolved that the apologies be accepted and the reasons recorded.	
02/07/103 Declarations of Interest	1. Register of Members Interests: Councillors are reminded of the need to update their Register of Interests. 2. Personal Interests. None received. 3. Prejudicial Interests. None received. 4. Dispensation Requests. None received.	ALL
03/07/104 Minutes	Resolved that the minutes from the Parish Council Meeting on 31 st May 2022 were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.	
04/07/105 Outcomes of Actions of last meeting	Bus Shelter: The decorating has started, MH to report back at the next meeting. Helton Defibrillator – Cllr Westgarth has registered with The Circuit. No Lorry Access across bridge: Sign not erected yet. Traffic Calming – Ongoing Insurance - actioned	
05/07/106 Public Participation/ Open Session	An issue was raised regarding Google Pin Point. The pin leads the public to a private farm when LDNP is searched. Cllr Whittaker has sent a request to relocate pin to Google. To follow up at September meeting.	
06/07/107 External Meetings	Local Government re-organisation is ongoing. Cllr Harker congratulated SW for passing her CiLCA qualification.	
07/07/108 Councillor Vacancy	The council acknowledged the resignation from Cllr Lowther. The council thanked Cllr Lowther for his service to the council and wished him well.	

08/07/109 Hidden Gems Campaign	Following discussion, the council had no further items to add.	SW
09/07/110 New Code of Conduct	The Council resolved to adopt the new Code of Conduct.	SW
10/07/111 Emergency Information Sheet	Cllrs Banks, Whittaker and Westgarth volunteered to be emergency contacts. Cllr Calland to check with local business if they would like to volunteer and report back.	GC
11/07/112 Levelling Up	Following discussion the Council identified issues with local affordable housing, staff shortages and local occupancy restrictions. SW to report back.	SW
12/07/113 Grass Strimmer	Following discussion, the council resolved to look into purchasing a strimmer in the new financial year. Estimated cost between £300 - £500. Cllr Whittaker and Calland to obtain quotations and report back. Cost to be included in the November budget.	CW, GC & SW
13/07/114 Planning Applications	<p>Applications:</p> <p>T/2022/0095 Town End, Helton, Penrith CA10 2QA Fell 2 ornamental cypress and 2 ornamental cherry. Ratified; no objection.</p> <p>Pending Decision from LDNPA:</p> <p>7/2022/3061 Land North of Keld Farm, Askham CA10 2PG Formation of an agricultural access track</p> <p>Decisions:</p> <p>7/2022/3059 Green View, Helton, Penrith CA10 2QA Installation of a gazebo at the bottom of the garden which will measure 3.6m wide by 3m deep. It will have a pyramid roof, maximum height 3.17m. GRANTED</p> <p>T/2022/0076 Green View, Helton, Penrith CA10 2QA Fell 1 apple, 1 pear, 1 cherry and 1 plum tree GRANTED</p> <p>T/2022/0075 Park View Cottage, Helton, Penrith CA10 2QA Remove 2 silver birch and 1 multi stemmed elder (Tree 1, Tree 2 and Tree 3) GRANTED</p>	SW
14/07/115 Little Langdale Common & Baysbrown (Westmorland) Common	Little Langdale Common and Baysbrown Common Countryside Stewardship Scheme. Environmental Screening Consultation. The Council reviewed the consultation and had no further comment to add.	
15/07/116 Financial Report	Resolved: The Clerk circulated the budget and bank reconciliation. Closing balance on 30 June 2022 is £8,596.66.	

	The Council reviewed and accepted the transactions and budget 2022/23 updates.	
16/07/117 Grass Mower	Invoices for fuel have been discussed and the council will consider any invoices that are out standing for payment. Cllr Whittaker to advise supplier. No further maintenance cost to be considered. SW to request the wild flower area of Helton Green to be cut asap and the next cut to be in September.	SW
17/07/118 Payments of Account	Resolved. The Council approved for payment: Clerks wages/expenses £554.96, HP Inks £6.66, CPSL £28.80, Zurich £332.23, Lowther Forestry £300, Mower fuel £90.	
18/07/119 Correspondence	LGR updates and CALC newsletters circulated.	
19/07/120 Items for agenda and dates of next meetings	Parish Council Meetings: Tuesday, 27 th September 2022 Tuesday, 29 th November 2022 All meetings held at 7pm at Askham and District Community Centre.	SW

Meeting closed 20.23pm