

Minutes of the Meeting of Lowick Parish Council held on 22 September 2016 (2016–6)

1. Councillors Present:

J Longmire, B Mitchell, G Sanderson, C Harrison
Jo Edmondson and Anne Hall, District Councillor, sent their apologies

2. **Minutes:** The minutes of the last meeting were agreed and adopted.

3. Public Participation

Quentin Merritt gave a presentation on Conserving Coniston and Crake. This is a Heritage Lottery Funded project which will help to protect, monitor and restore the freshwater environment of Coniston Water, the River Crake and the wider catchment area through a programme of conservation, community engagement and education. Mr Merritt wondered whether there would be any interest in a buying group to help residents empty septic tanks. He is developing an activity plan to accompany a funding application and speaking to as many local groups as possible

4. Declarations of Interest

None.

5. Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Last Meeting

- a. Lowick Community Hall Update:
None. JE not present
- b. Lowick Green Management Committee Update:
None.
- c. CCC Highways
See (h). BM reported that David Jennings felt that it would be preferable for an existing Councillor to negotiate with Highways.
A new Highways liaison person is required, therefore. CH volunteered to take on this role.
- d. LAP
Next meeting is on 19/10 at Rusland. JL and BM to attend.
- e. Broadband Update
Connecting fault found. All live. Level of uptake not known.
- f. X12 Bus Service
Update from AH. Art Auction raised £2,300. Leaflets to invite people to pay £10 by standing order which will enter an annual draw. Further fundraising required.
- g. Cleaning road signs
Still to be undertaken.
- h. Response from David Jennings re Highways Consultancy
See (c).
- i. PC Website
Defer to next meeting.
- j. Occasional meetings with Egton PC
Suggestion came from Brian Campbell, Vice Chair. Needs to be discussed with Chairman.

6. Finance

a. General Items

Barclays 22/09/2016	£ 5073.38
Outstanding payments	
CALC Annual Subscription	£130.00
AON Insurance (reimburse Clerk)	£297.46
Lowick Green Management Committee	£360.00
Lowick Community Hall (based on electoral roll)	£219.00

Bank Mandate outcome awaited.
Cash flow sheet circulated.

7. Correspondence

Clerks & Councils Direct; CCC Bus Timetable; NW Air Ambulance raffle.
E Mails – SLDC Distinctive Area Day Meeting 29/09;
CALC National Grid Meeting 10/08;
Colton PC and John Townsend re Lowick Bridge (re painting);
Colton PC re course for new councillors GS and JE to attend;
SLDC Housing Needs Survey 12/08;
Remembrance Service at Rusland.
Planning – additional information re Kirkby Moor.

8. Complaints Procedure

CH reported that comments had been made about Himalayan Balsam on the Common. He will approach Y Miller as this is an invasive species.

9. External Meetings

None.

10. Election of Vice Chair.

Deferred.

11. Bus Shelters

Maintenance to be considered. Pending.

12. Update of Parish Plan.

Copy of 2005 Parish Plan to be circulated to Councillors. Clerk to ask AH about neighbourhood plans.

11. Confirmation of date of next meeting

17 November 2016 at 7.30pm in LCH.
Meeting closed at 9.15pm