

Minutes of the Meeting of Lowick Parish Council held on 18 January 2018 (2018-1)

1. Councillors Present:

J Longmire, J Edmondson, G Sanderson. B Mitchell, L Ingham
District Councillor Anne Hall DNA

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

3. Public Participation

Paul Harris, Community Neighbourhood Police Officer attended the meeting. He gave a brief report on crime in the neighbourhood. He advised that a charity box from the Farmers Arms had been stolen recently and, on the same night, the Royal Oak at Spark Bridge was targeted and also properties at Torver and Baycliff. A Countryside Watch has been set up to monitor poaching which is run from Kendal. .

4. Declarations of Interest

JE is representative to LCH.

5. Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Last Meeting

- a. Lowick Community Hall Update:
JE - nothing to report.
- b. Lowick Green Management Committee Update:
Newsletter distributed. Live music event on 03/02 at Water Yeat for fund raising. BM queried whether, because the Green is part of the community, the PC should use its power to give resources to support the LGMC.
- c. CCC Highways
BM noted that heavy wagons had run off the edge of the A5092 and queried whether this should be raised with Highways because of the state of the road and its heavy use by HGVs. He will seek a contact person, perhaps with the view of requesting attendance at a PC meeting so information can be shared.
- d. LAP
No update.
- e. X12 bus service
No update. Bus walk held to raise money.
- f. Website/Transparency Code
Information/ application submitted to CALC to claim funding. Response awaited.
- g. Parish Plan
Councillors put forward some ideas for topics:
BM – emergency planning; co-ordinating local contacts
GS – Flood protection issues – identifying critical points

BM – footpaths/verges

Generally – the community has become disparate. ? Newsletter. Need to support the community at each end of the spectrum – elderly eg mobility/ young eg access to outdoor recreational facilities.

Need to engage the community. Intend to advertise at the proposed LCH birthday party to try and get some responses.

- h. Lengthsman
Schedule of work completed.
- i. Kirkby Moor Windfarm
Planning Committee voted 6 to 5 not to allow wind energy production to continue. Ends by 31/03 with 12 months to dismantle. BM stressed that it was the weight of community opinion that swayed the councillors.

6. Finance

- a. **General Items**

Barclays 16/01/2018	£ 4391.58
Pay Archie Workman	£ 28.00
- b. Cashflow sheet circulated.
- c. **PRECEPT**

Precept discussion document circulated.
Increased precept requested to take into account services of the Lengthsman.
Precept of £2912.75 requested along with the grant of £87.25, paid by SLDC.
Precept form completed and signed.

7. Correspondence

Clerks and Councils Direct; Malcolm Wilson Rally 03/03; Lengthsman Services Invoice/Worksheet.
Emails circulated.
Planning – Garth Row approved.

8. Complaints Procedure:

JE noted that the bin in the layby outside the old school has been removed.
This was purchased by the PC following complaints about littering.

9. External Meetings

BM attended the planning committee re Kirkby Moor on 05/12.

10. Locality Donation

Flower boxes/signs at Lowick Bridge. Highways need to know the size and what will be grown. Clerk will get information from them about signs.
Councillors to determine size/height of boxes and signs.

11. Bus Shelters

Maintenance required. Defer to March meeting.

12. Data Protection

Clerk noted that legislation will affect PC. DP Officer will be required and there will be a cost to register.

13. Confirmation of date of next meeting

15 March at 7.30pm in LCH.
Meeting closed at 9.30pm