

Minutes of the Meeting of Lowick Parish Council held on 17 January 2019

1. Councillors Present:

J Longmire, J. Edmondson, G Sanderson, L Ingham
Apologies: B.Mitchell; District Councillor, Anne Hall

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

3. Public Participation

Richard Ellwood, Chairman of LGMC attended and gave an update on Lowick Green management. He referred to the removal of cuttings from clearing the wild area and hopes this will help to improve the proliferation of the flora there. He asked if any help could be given in moving the cuttings. JL volunteered to provide a trailer for this year to take the debris away. Mr Ellwood is concerned about the area in front of Rose Cottage which is getting larger because of vehicles parking. He intends to scrape it and put down some hardcore. He asked what views there would be on widening the area for parking outside Hopefield so that vehicles could park on the road instead of the grass. It was suggested that it could be an item for the Newsletter, so that interested residents could comment. RE will prepare an article.

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 commented on the wall in the car park being knocked down, although this has nothing to do with the Hall. It appears that Young Farmers have been approached to rebuild the wall. JL will follow this up.
- b. Lowick Green Management Committee Update:
See 'Public Participation'.
- c. CCC Highways
Councillors discussed a letter sent by a local resident about two items:
 - a. The possibility of solar powered signs on either side of the village on the A5092 to remind motorists of the 40mph limit;
 - b. Improved signing ahead of the Coniston road junction because so many motorists miss the turn and end up going down the road along the Green, in front of the houses – usually at excess speed.Councillors were positive about solar signs and will ask for more information but will have to consult with CCC Highways about putting these up. Improved signing will also be raised as an issue. A copy of the correspondence will be sent to County Councillor Matt Brereton.
- d. LAP
No update.
- e. X12 bus service
AH not present. Reduced timetable; still struggling for funding.

- f. Website/Transparency Code
Ongoing. Grant received - £1905.00. GS confirmed that an additional amount could be spend on the computer, above that applied for.
- g. Parish Plan
JE has produced a Newsletter; LE has drafted his section on emergency planning. Others outstanding. Defer.
- h. Lengthsman
Invoice submitted for work during January. Query whether some signs on the A5092 could be cleaned up. Lengthsman will be asked.

6. Finance

a. General Items

Barclays 17/01/2019	£ 5985.89
Pay Lengthsman January invoice	£ 70.00
Pay J Edmondson – reimburse cost of printing Newsletter by ‘HelloPrint’	£ 23.90

- b. Precept Assessment sheet circulated.

c. Precept.

Councillors agreed to precept for £3000.00 (including grant)
Proposed JE; seconded GS.

7. Correspondence

Clerks and Councils Direct; Letter from local resident re traffic issues.
Discussed under 5c. Letter to be sent in response – looking at issues and request for further information as to what sort of solar signs may be preferable.
Emails circulated: NALC update to Model Standing Orders. Proposed that these be adopted – proposed LI; seconded GS.
Planning applications:
Green View, Lowick Green – decision outstanding.
Everard Lodge, Approved.
Espi Farm. Application supported.
Nettleslack Farm – change of use from an agricultural building to dwelling house. No objections

8. Complaints

None received

9. External Meetings

JE attended. Tourism on the agenda. Minutes circulated and on website.

10 Bus Shelter Maintenance

Defer.

11. Kirkby Moor Protectors

Public Enquiry in January. BM and GS to give evidence.

12. Footpaths

GS circulated email about information shared by Blawith Councillor.

12. Confirmation of date of next meeting

21 March 2019 at 7.30pm in LCH.

Meeting closed at 9.10pm.