

Minutes of the Meeting of Carsington and Hopton Parish Council held on 8th November 2017 at the spAce, St Margaret's Church, Carsington.

Present: Cllrs Craig Southway, Sarah Peel, Lou Corbett, Cathy Oldfield and Ruth Miles.

Clerk to the Council, Kate Murray

49/17. There no apologies.

50/17. There was no declaration of members' interests.

51/17. There was no need to vary the order of business.

52/17. Public speaking.

There were no members of the public present.

53/17. The minutes of the meeting of 5th September 2017 were APPROVED as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

54/17. There was no need to close the meeting because of the confidential nature of the business.

55/17. There were no county or borough councillors present.

56/17. Update on Hopton Triangle

A cultivation licence had been refused by the Highways department of DCC. It was AGREED to tidy up the area

57/17. Wind Farm Grants.

- A. There were no new applications.
- B. The School had claimed their grant for application number 7.

58/17. Village Road Names.

Cllr Oldfield reported on a meeting with DDDC to discuss the project. Letters had been sent to Shingingford Farm, Denewood Farm, Kennel Meadows and Mining Lane. It was AGREED that two meetings be held. One with the residents of "No name lane" to Park View, at 7.30pm and one with residents of Back Lane running down to the school, at 8.30pm. The meeting to be on 22nd November in the spAce. Invitations to be sent to individual houses.

59/17. The snow warden scheme was DISCUSSED. It was REPORTED that grit had been ordered, Cllr Oldfield was attending a training session, the risk assessment was being reviewed and fit to participate forms were being signed.

60/17. It was REPORTED that the meeting covering the use of the defibrillator had been set up and an email inviting residents sent out. It was AGREED that another invitation should be sent and notices put up on the boards and around the village.

61/17. Correspondence received by the Clerk.

- A. PLANNING. The responses to applications were NOTED.
- B. Correspondence received was NOTED. Cllr Peel to attend the Carsington Water Liaison Meeting.
- C. (i) Payments were AUTHORISED.
(ii) The bank account was NOTED. It was AGREED that balances would be reported to the end of the nearest month prior to meetings. A transfer of £10,000 from current account to deposit account was AGREED.

62/17. Village Matters

- A. Weekly Inspection of the green. The cover for the Xmas tree holder had been found and it was AGREED that a method of fixing it should be found. A final tidy up was AGREED.
- B. Maintenance of the village green. It was AGREED to approve a budget of £2.5k for these works and it was AGREED to appoint a suitable contractor to undertake the work once competitive quotes have been received and considered. This process would be completed ahead of the next meeting if possible and agreement would be sought by e-mail. It was AGREED to make an application for partial funding from the windfarm fund. It was NOTED that a successful application would not a determining factor in the project going ahead.
- C. Trees on village green. Planning permission to lift the crowns of the large trees on the village green had been given. The work would begin before Christmas.
- D. Work on the verges. It was AGREED that work on the verges would be undertaken in the spring.
- E. Hopton bus stop. Cllr Miles REPORTED that DCC were going to make the necessary repairs.
- F. Listed sites were DISCUSSED and Cllr Corbett was going to investigate further.

63/17. Future agenda items to include mending the verges and car parking.

The date of the next meeting is the 10th January 2018 at 7 pm in the spAce, St Margaret's Carsington.

Kate Murray

Clerk to the Council

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