

SEDGWICK PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Wednesday 14 November 2018 at 7:30pm

Venue: Sedgwick Village Hall

Present: Cllr B Holmes (Chairperson), Cllr R Gill, Cllr G Stoker, Cllr R Smith, Cllr D Willacy District Cllr T Harvey, District Cllr B Cooper, Mrs S Roberts (Parish Clerk) and 1 member of the public.

71/18 Apologies: It was resolved for apologies with reasons given, to be noted from PCSO Boaks, Cllr J Oscroft, County Cllr B Gray and District Cllr R Bingham

72/18 Minutes: It was resolved for the Chairperson to sign the minutes of the meeting held on 17th October 2018 as a true record.

73/18 Declarations of Interest / Dispensation Requests: None

74/18 Public Participation:

- 1) A member of the public thanked the Parish Council for their work and commitment to the Armistice Centenary Celebrations, especially Cllr Holmes. Also, he suggested that the editor of the Church monthly magazine be thanked for his long-time commitment. Council agreed.
- 2) BT building previously reported – poor state of repair - ref MON0189470 – Cllr Stoker met with Callum Rose, who agreed to the following work being carried out; repair to the roof, painting the building at a lower level and removal of rubbish. This would be completed shortly, and Cllr Stoker would report back at the next meeting.

Police Report: 73 incidents have been reported in the wider area with 23 being recorded crimes, only one relating to Sedgwick Parish; the report will be displayed on the noticeboard and website.

District Cllrs: Cllr Harvey reported that Cllr Bingham was making a good recovery. Council agreed to send him a get-well card. SLDC was working on a review of the Local Plan and he would update Council in future meetings. LIP Funding was available, and application needed to be in for January 2019.

County Cllr B Gray: Cllr Gray sent her apologies. Cumbria County Council are well into the budget rounds and money management. The Windermere Ferry is up and running again, it has undergone a radical overhaul. It is good to see some of the road repairs have been done, which is thanks to the partnership between us and residents reporting problems to the highways department. If I can assist with any problems that crop up during the evening please contact me.

Village Hall Report: Dates have been agreed for all Parish Councils meetings in 2019

75/18 Planning: None

76/18 Highways/Footpaths

1. Highways report by Cllr Stoker- see attached report. Cllr Stoker reported that Highways have carried out work on Wellheads Lane and by the River Kent. Pot holes by Carex Farm have had temporary repairs but money is not available for the longer-term repairs we have been promised. Cllr Smith thanked Cllr Stoker for his perseverance which had contributed to the recent road repairs and urged residents of the village to report repairs. Cllr Willacy reported on the culvert work being carried out on the bypass which will benefit us by preventing future diversions through the village.
2. The sign posts on Back Lane and along the canal need replacing. As requested, Cllr Stoker provided 3 quotes for replacement signs: Sign Express £550, Lancaster Signs £409.20 and Nigel Hurst £365. Cllr Stoker proposed to accept the quote from Nigel Hurst and this was agreed.

77/18 Playground /Millennium Field

1. Cllr Stoker has carried out the monthly check on the Millennium Field and reported that all repairs and cleaning work had been completed and bins emptied.
2. The basketball post safety sign was now in place, which completes all actions in the ROSPA report. More bark chippings would be laid in the spring.

78/18 Canal

1. Correspondence from LCAS regarding tree stock safety management was received and it was agreed for the recommendations regarding regular safety inspections especially after adverse weather to be added to Canal Management Plan
2. The Woodland Management and Safety Inspection Report which was carried out in October 2018 by A Hearne was received. The Canal Management Plan has been updated to reflect recommendations and the LCAS advice as above and all agreed on the additions. Cllr Gill agreed to carry out the monthly safety inspections, and extra inspections after adverse weather. Funding has already been set aside for such inspections. The Clerk would check with the insurance providers that these measures would be acceptable. It was agreed to report ash die back to the Forestry Commission
3. Application for the grant to cover part of the costs to the maintenances programme has been applied for. Update at the next meeting.
4. LCRP Autumn Newsletter received and noted.

79/18 Data Protection

1. ICO October Newsletter had been received and sent to all Councillors.

80/18 Website: see report by Cllr Holmes.

81/18 Finance

- a) Bank Balance as of 30 October 2018 £8,866.71
- b) Payments Approved: broadband Village Hall November £19.00, Village Hall hire fees & difb replacement pads £191.57, Parish Clerk salary/expenses Aug-Nov £ 1,398.42 and Continental Landscapes Ltd 2018 grass cutting £1,092.00,
- c) The Accounts Report from Meeting Dated 17 October 2018, the transactions cleared was signed.
- d) Consideration for 2019-20 Precept, SLDC had not yet sent the paperwork so it would be deferred until January's meeting
- e) Pension Regulator information received highlighting Councils responsibilities to the staff

82/18 Armistice Commemoration Weekend and Beacon:

The event was extremely successful and was a credit to the community. Special thanks were given to John Stott for hosting the beacon, the Church for hosting the exhibition, the Cricket Club for providing the gazebo and so many people who contributed to the event. The Council will be sending thank you letters to the main contributors. Phone calls had been received thanking Cllr Holmes for her input, The Council has received a thank you card from the Brownies and an email from Crosscrake School expressing their thanks for the Armistice weekend.

83/18 Christmas Newsletter: The draft newsletter has been sent to all Cllrs for approval and would be sent to the printers for printing on card and be ready to be distributed early December.

84/18 Parish Printer: Councillors had read the Clerks report and recommendations, it was agreed to purchase the colour compatible cartridges at a cost of £99.94

85/18 Parish Council Christmas Meal: It was agreed to hold the Christmas meal at the Strickland Arms on Wednesday 12th December 2018 at 7 30pm.

86/18 Correspondence:

- ACT Autumn/Winter Gazette received and noted
- Lake District – World Heritage Status received and noted
- SLDC- Development Policies Development Plan Document- Consultation, received and noted.
- The Flood Hub, information received and noted.

87/18 Items for consideration for a future agenda

- Highways Report
- Canal Report
- PCSO Report
- Website Report
- Precept 2019/20
- Purchasing a projector

- Update Parish Council Serving Officers Board

88/18 Date of next meeting

It was confirmed that the next Parish Meeting will be on **Wednesday 9th January 2019 at 7 30 pm** and will be held in the Sedgwick Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 9 25 pm

Signed: (Chairperson)

Date: 9th January 2019