

CROSSCANONBY PARISH COUNCIL
Including the villages of Birkby, (parts of) Bulgill, Crosby, Crosby Villa and Crosscanonby
Chairman of the Parish Council: Peter Courtier, Cannondale House, Crosby, Maryport, CA15 6SP

Minutes of the Council Meeting
Monday, 10th August, 2020

PRESENT

Cllrs Courtier, Martin, Gibson, Parkin, Chamberlain, Hobbs & Morgan
Mr Cottingham- resident

FC/11 /2020 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES & REASONS FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Fisher & Cllr McCarron-Holmes

Cllr Martin proposed that the Clerk contact Cllr McGuire of Allerdale Borough Council asking that she tries to attend future meetings of Crosscanonby Parish Council - **AGREED**

FC/12/2020 APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD 13th JULY 2020

The minutes of 13th July were **APPROVED** and signed as a true record

FC/13/2020 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS, MEMBERS AND OFFICER TO GIVE NOTICE OF INTEREST ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

None

FC/14/2020 TO CONSIDER WHETHER THERE ARE ANY ITEMS ON THE AGENDA FOR WHICH THE PRESS AND PUBLIC SHOULD BE EXCLUDED

None

FC/15/2020 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

15.1 To receive comments and representations from members of the public

Mr Cottingham attended the meeting in respect of Item9 on the Agenda, and the Chair moved that this item be brought forward for discussion

To Discuss the proposal for a wildflower area on Birkby Village Green – Mr Cottingham explained that several residents had been in discussion about the merits of a wildflower area on the green which would increase bio-diversity and improve the look of the area. A discussion followed regarding which area would be suitable, maintenance requirements and cost implications. Cllr Courtier explained the Parish Council had considered wildflower areas in the past but had decided not to proceed due to maintenance issues and contamination by passing vehicles. Cllr Parkin also mentioned problems due to stock movement across the green. Cllr Martin also noted that the green is registered as a green and was not sure if legally it could be made into a wildflower meadow. Mr Cottingham is happy to explore funding options and/or altering the cutting regime

Cllr Courtier stated that while the Council were open to the idea, perhaps a smaller area be considered as a trial. The Clerk was requested to add the item to the next agenda for further discussion

Cllr Morgan reported a petition for the introduction of a 30mph speed limit had over 200 signatures. Following a discussion concerning the latest Traffic Regulation Order consultation, the clerk was requested to draft a letter expressing the councils concerns and to again request play area signs be erected by the County Council

Cllr Gibson reported some damage to drain on Crosby Village green. Cllrs recognised the lack of drainage from the play park, and for now would keep an eye out on the situation

15.2 To receive reports from Borough and County Councillors in attendance

None in attendance

15.3 To receive a report from the Play Park Committee – Cllr Morgan reported that due to current Restrictions little fundraising had taken place. £70 had been raised via a sunflower competition

FC/16/2020 FINANCE MATTERS

16.1 To receive and approve the schedule of payments for July - **Received & Approved**

16.2 To receive and approve the current financial statement – **Received & Approved**

The Clerk advised members that she had inadvertently overpaid her salary the previous month (paid gross instead of net) and this had been rectified deducted from her July Salary

FC/17/2020 To receive any planning decision notices - None

FC/18/2020 War Memorial Refurbishment

Cllr Martin advised that he had been in touch with the successful tenderer and that work should commence within the next couple of weeks

FC/19/2020 To Consider a response regarding Coastal Erosion of the B5300

Cllr Martin summarized the coastal erosion of the coast particularly from Maryport to Dubmill Point and the current strategy of Cumbria County Council. All Councillors recognised the importance of the B5300 to their parish and the Clerk was instructed to write to the MP asking for his support in trying to gain funding .

FC/20/2020 Clerks Report

The Clerk reported on the following

- That it be noted Tivoli cut the grass in the parish on a 2 week cycle, regardless of weather
- Rules regarding website compliance are to come into law in September – the clerk will research further

Prior to the meeting ending, Cllr Martin reported the notice boards needed some repairs – AGREED that repairs be authorised. Cllr Gibson had undertaken a play equipment assessment and check list which he will undertake regularly, copies being forwarded to all councillors

Meeting Closed 8.10

Date of Next Meeting

Monday 7th September 2020 7.00PM - Virtual Meeting