

Drigg and Carleton Parish Council**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING**

Held as a Virtual Meeting because of the Corona-19 virus restrictions on social contact
On Tuesday 13th April 2021

Members present Mr J Jennings (Chairman), Mr A Pratt, Mr K Hitchen, Mr J Naylor, Mr K Murray, Mrs S Browne and Mr H Lace

Clerk: Mr D Millington.

Responsible financial Officer (RFO): Apologies

1. Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 9th March 2021.

There were no amendments to the Minutes of 9th March 2021.

2. Resolution to approve and signature of Minutes.

A proposal by Mr Murray, seconded by Mr Pratt, that the Minutes of 9th March 2021 were a true and accurate record was agreed unanimously by members.

3. Apologies for absence. Mrs J Robinson (RFO)

4. Financial Matters.

a) Finance Report

In the absence of the RFO, no finance report was presented.

Action 4/1: RFO to circulate a year end finance report to members.

Action 4.2: Clerk to add Exemption certificate and AGAR statements to the May 2021 meeting agenda.

b) Consideration of other payments:

It was noted that the CALC Annual Subscription for 2012/22 of £161;84 was now due for payment and will be considered at the May 2021 meeting.

Action 4/3: Clerk to add CALC Annual Subscription to May Agenda.

5. Actions and matters arising from previous meetings of Council

Action 3/5 (19): Mr Pratt to register D&C PC needs with ICO. Ongoing

Action 3/1: Clerk to request payment of Administration costs from the Drigg Charity to the PC. Complete

Action 3/2: RFO to arrange payments approved at the March meeting Ongoing

Action 3/3: RFO to amend the PC budget for defibrillator maintenance. Ongoing

Action 3/4: Mrs Browne and Mr Pratt to discuss support for a Holmrook to Gosforth access link, Complete

Action 3/5: Mr Pratt to ask CBC to send a copy of the Partfield planning application . Complete

6. Report from County and Borough Councillors.

Mr Hitchen reported that he had requested information about plans for remediation work at the Council tip accessed from Beach Road.

7. Public Participation

There were no members of the public participating.

8. Main Business:

8.1: Highways matters:

- Mr Hitchen reported that he was awaiting the update report from Cumbria Highways on traffic calming.

- Members noted the planned closure of the B5344 to traffic from Station Road end for a distance of 250 metres east, on 26th to 29th April.

8.2: PROW: There were no new issues raised.

8.3: LLWR; Mr Pratt noted that he will circulate Minutes of the latest liaison meeting when they are available.

The topics discussed included:

- A 2 week increase in HGV traffic delivering tarmac for surfacing of the internal perimeter road,
- Rebranding of the LLWR and RWM into a Waste Division with potential implications for communication routes.

8.4 Village tidying: It was noted that 2 village improvement initiatives have been raised; litter picking and 'wilding' of selected areas. These are being progressed via the Drigg Charity.

8.5: Community Communications:

It was noted that the new website is now active. It will be publicised in the Benefice magazine and in Tethera to encourage usage.

The spring edition of Tethera is currently being compiled and contributions are requested.

8.6: Community Led Plan:

It was noted that the Chairman had circulated an updated copy of the Action Plan with feedback comments included.

8.7: Any Other Parish Matters

- Consultation on Local Government Reorganisation

It was noted that the consultation will close for comments on 19th April.

Mr Hitchen referred to a response made by Millom Without PC and suggested it be circulated to members for information.

- Future of virtual meetings.

It was noted that central government are proposing the end of virtual Council meetings after 7th May 2021, where those meetings involve decision making on matters of public interest.

NALC and CALC are seeking to extend this date and allow for mixed real and virtual meetings, It was agreed to keep the situation under review.

Following discussion, members agreed a proposal to hold the next Council meeting on Tuesday 4th May 2021. The meeting will commence with the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council, to be followed by the May 2021 Ordinary Parish Council Meeting.

Other meetings in May agreed were:

Next meeting of the Drigg Charity: Thursday 13th May

Annual Parish Meeting: Wednesday 19th May.

Agendas and meeting arrangement will be circulated ahead of the meeting dates.

9. Receive communications placed before the Meeting.

There were no new issues raised

11. Planning Matters: There were no new issues raised

11. Cumbria Association of Councils. There were no new issues raised.

12. Received Reports from representatives. There were no new issues raised.

13. Matters to be considered at the next Parish Council meeting:

- Exemption Certificate and other AGAE Statements.
- CALC Annual Subscription
- Members were invited to submit items for Inclusion 5 working days ahead of the scheduled date of meetings

14. Date of the next meeting.

Tuesday 4th May 2021. Annual Meeting followed by Ordinary Meeting

The meeting closed at 8.45pm.

Distribution;

County & District Councillors; K Hitchen, A Pratt & D Moore.

Parish Councillors, Drigg Charity Trustees and D&C Community web site

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