

Milburn Parish Council  
1<sup>st</sup> November 2016

Present

Councillors D Richardson (Chair), P Moran, S Linsley, R Healey and M Armstrong  
Clerk J Connelly, Allan Armstrong Eden District Council

Members of the Public - D Bellsham, G. Johnston, S Craig and D Lynch

Apologies - None

16.11.02 Register of Interests

None

16.11.3 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> September 2016 had been circulated prior to this meeting. All agreed this was a true record and were approved and signed.

16.11.4 Matters Arising

None

16.11.5 General Parking within the Village and Village Green

1. D Lynch on behalf of Milburn Primary School, requested initial thoughts and assistance from the Councillors regarding the possibility of grass-crete type material for the parking of vehicles at the side of the school, the type that allows grass to grow through. During wet weather the green gets muddy and puddled where vehicles park, which then has to be walked through, causing muddy shoes, which then leaves marks on the new carpets within the school, by children, staff and visitors alike.

For the grass-crete type material to be laid, the Lord of the Manor would have to be approached and approve of the installation.

A number of Councillors were against the rubber matting, and felt the green should be kept a Village Green and if the matting was installed at the school, there would then be the possibility of other parishioners wanting to site matting outside their properties on the green for parking purposes.

After much discussion it was resolved to fill the dished areas with soil and plant grass seeds in the spring to enable these areas to grow and if they weren't dished, it would help stop the digging up of the green.

In the meantime Councillor Linsley very kindly offered parking for the school outside her property this winter until the spring. Councillors suggested parking on the east end of the school, which is a dryer area.

2. Regarding the parking of a vehicle in the road outside Croft View, Milburn. There has been a number of complaints about this vehicle. People driving in to the village cannot get a clear view of the road and the oncoming traffic, children run out from behind the vehicle, which is very dangerous.

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The school bus, on occasions, has been unable to get past, tractors find it very difficult to get past and often have to mount the pavement on the other side of the road.

The Highways Dept installed a speed box in the spring of the year, recording how many vehicles and the speed at which they entered the village. The average speed was 23/24 MPH The Parish Council has since instigated the Highways Dept to re-paint the "SLOW" sign on the road into the village.

It was resolved to write to Two Castles Housing, as the landlord of these properties, regarding this matter, as ample parking is provided.

#### 16.11.6 Village Hall - Charitable Incorporated Organisation

After the last Parish Council Meeting, the Clerk contacted Mrs Evans for more information regarding the above, asking if a member of the village hall committee could attend this meeting. Unfortunately due to illness, Mr Wood was unable to attend but very kindly sent a detailed e-mail with all the information required. This was e-mailed to all Councillors prior to this meeting.

After much discussion, all the Councillors were in favour of the village hall becoming a Charitable Incorporated Organisation. Clerk to write to Mrs Evans.

#### 16.11.7 Bonfire

Councillor Linsley confirmed the fireworks are to be let off on the football pitch as in previous years, as this posed the lowest risk.

Donation buckets will be carried throughout the night, a number of fluorescent bibs will be worn. Councillor Linsley e-mailed a risk assessment to all the relevant people involved.

#### 16.11.8 Finance

There being no payments or alterations, Draft 1 of the 2016/2017 still stands.

Invoice received from Mr G Johnston, grass cutting £ 889.00, resolved to pay

Letter received from The Fellrunner, asking for a donation, resolved to pay £65.00

Letters received from Penrith & District Red Squirrel Group and Great North Air Ambulance, after discussion it was resolved not to make any donation to these

#### 16.11.9 Correspondence

HAGS Sports Equipment, EDC Planning permission granted for Thorn Dykes, BT Faster Broadband, CALC Annual Report 2016 and Clerks & Councils Direct November 2016.

#### 16.11.10 Public Participation

A Armstrong reported EDC helping to fund apprenticeships

D Bellsham reported light on the village hall not working, A Armstrong to report to EDC

Mr Johnston has requested that should there be flower tubs outside the school next year, could they please be placed on the tarmac, for grass cutting purposes.

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Regarding the trees up Fell Lane, Councillor Richardson will organise a few parishioners and get these trees cut down/or back, whichever is required.

16.11.11 - Any Other Business

It was reported that the garden waste skip has worked very well this year.

Dates for proposed meetings next year are 10<sup>th</sup> January, 7<sup>th</sup> March, 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 4<sup>th</sup> July, 5<sup>th</sup> September and 7<sup>th</sup> November 2017. Clerk to confirm with Mr Godfrey.

The Chairman brought the meeting to a close at 8.45pm

Date of next meeting is 10<sup>th</sup> January 2017

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ *Dated 10<sup>th</sup> January 2017*