

Milburn Parish Council - 16th January 2018

Present

Councillors D Richardson (Chair) R Healey, M Dixon and P Moran

Clerk J Connelly

Members of the Public - Four

18.01.1 Apologies

Alan Armstrong, EDC

18.01.2 Register of Interests

No interests declared

18.01.3 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on the 7th November 2017 had been circulated prior to this meeting. All agreed this was a true record and were signed and approved.

18.01.4 Matters Arising

It has been noted the abandoned vehicle parked on the village green has now been removed, although no contact has been made to the Parish Council, following the correspondence sent. The planters have also been removed.

The Councillors thanked Mr Armstrong, EDC, for arranging to have the kerb dropped at the Car Park, at the bottom of the village green, to enable wheelchairs etc to have easier access to the pavement leading to the Village Hall. Work likely to be carried out Feb/March 2018.

18.01.05 Village Green Guidelines

The Councillors discussed this matter at length, also inviting the Public to have their say and ideas.

After much deliberation, the Councillors resolved not to have guidelines.

The Village Green, as with all Village Greens, are for recreational activities and cannot be policed if written guidelines were drawn up. The Parish Council therefore will continue to act upon any complaints received in a fair manner or should the Councillors note any items that are placed on the Village Green that shouldn't be there, will bring the matter to the Parish Council to decide the action to be taken.

It was resolved, when writing the Newsletter for the AGM, to reiterate the fact it is a Village Green.

Unfortunately, parking on the Village Green cannot be helped as some properties are unable to park on the own property due to space etc, but it would be appreciated if the vehicles did not block the highway, travel across the green itself or be driven too sharp into the corners of the green thereby cutting the grass up and carrying mud on to the road.

The Councillors will look at re-instating the corners in the Spring, with earth and grass seeds.

Signed _____ Dated _____

18.01.6 Eden Community Governance Review

The Councillors had received this review in December, but it was felt it should be an agenda item so that the Councillors may discuss the matter. The Councillors completed the Questionnaire and the Clerk will complete the form on-line, although the closing date was 22.12.17, but it was felt the Councillors should discuss this questionnaire.

18.01.7 Planning Applications

Planning permission has been given for the single storey extension at Thorn Dykes (17/0969)

Planning permission has been given to remove the Sycamore tree at High Croft, Milburn (17/0964)

Planning application received NATs Radar Station Great Dun Fell Installation of 2 x 600mm dishes and all ancillary development. (17/1046)
No objections raised.

18.01.8 Finance

Draft Four Budget 2017/18 - This had been circulated to Councillors prior to this meeting and the Clerk answered any queries that arose.

Transfer from Business Premium Savings Account to Current Account
The Councillors resolved to transfer £1000 to the Current Account. Clerk to arrange a letter for the signatories to sign to transfer these funds.

2018/2019 Precept - After much discussion it was resolved to increase the precept to £5000, as it was reduced last year to £2500, with the previous four years being £2700.

Emails have been received from 123-Reg, with £11.99 for the Domain Renewal and £50.26 for the Web Package, an increase from £35.86. Clerk to contact M Joyce to ascertain if these prices are acceptable.

The Pot Hole repairs - Materials required to carry out the filling of the pot holes on the Cart Roads. Resolved Councillor Healey contact Metcalfes and order more scalplings.

18.01.9 Correspondance and emails

Emails are forwarded to Councillors upon receipt.

Clerks & Councils Direct Jan 18,

Dyslexia Project donation request, Councillors resolved not to support,

Letter of thanks from The Fellrunner Minibus.

18.01.10 Public Participation

Branches are in need of being trimmed on some of the trees on the Village Green. Councillors agreed this should be carried out.

Entrance opposite the Goal Posts, the corner of the Village Green is being dug up with vehicles, again it was resolved to look at this in the Spring.

Signed _____ Dated _____

18.11.11 Any Other Business

A request has been received via a Councillor, for more swings on the Village Green, after discussion it was felt there was not a requirement for more, resolved not to provide more swings.

There may be a small amount of monies for local communities from British Gypsum, the Clerk to write and ask if it would be possible for them to consider helping with the payment of the bonfire insurance, also the beacon insurance to commemorate “The Battles Over” “A Nations Tribute” 11th November 2018, 100 years of Remembrance.

Signed _____ Dated _____

Next Meeting Tuesday, 6th March 2018

The Chairman brought the meeting to a close at 8.40pm