

THIRLWALL PARISH COUNCIL

**Wednesday 8th January 2020 – Gilsland Village Hall
APPROVED MEETING MINUTES**

PRESENT:

Cllr's S Seymour, P Jameson, B Barwick, J Armstrong.
County Cllr A Sharp
14 Members of the public.
Clerk Catherine Jarvis

Meeting - 19.07 Start

Cllr. J Armstrong arrived 19.12 Cllr. B Barwick arrived 19.33

01/20	Apologies for absence Cllr. P. Hunter
02/20	Declarations of Interest None.
03/20	Public Questions None submitted in advance. Various questions came from the public (12 of whom were there for the meeting regarding Stoneybeck, Longbyre, planning permission) regarding Stoneybeck, Longbyre. As there was a great deal of interest agenda item 07/20.01 was brought forward. A statement was read out by Cllr. S Seymour. The members of the public were in accordance with this. Refer to 07/20.01 for full information.
04/20	Minutes of the meetings to be approved held on: Wednesday 13 th November 2019 and Thursday 21 st November 2019 (extraordinary meeting) The minutes were approved. PROPOSED Cllr S Seymour SECONDED Cllr B Barwick (13 11 19) AGREED PROPOSED Cllr S Seymour SECONDED Cllr P Jameson (21 11 19) AGREED
05/20	Matters arising from previous Minutes not dealt elsewhere in the current agenda None.
06/20	Gilsland Matters reports and updates and resolutions arising 06/20.01 Gilsland Play Area – Topsign's new sign will be fixed in the play area. D Berry will paint playground when weather is better. Cllrs need estimate. 06/20.02 Notice Board – R Amato made new doors for the noticeboard. As it had been agreed in last meeting – Cllrs went with R Amato's quote. Cllr S Seymour has carried out a visual check and Cllr J Armstrong will check re: bolts becoming rusty. 06/20.03 Brambles on the National Trail: Check with L Lazzari: brambles – top of play park/just below underpass. Cllr P Jameson and D Keen to also check. 06/20.04 Crammel Rigg – forthcoming public meeting to be held at Gilsland Village Hall at 6.30pm on 15th January 2020 The meeting will be advertised on Facebook, Gilsland Matters; Tearoom Facebook Page Meeting with Iggesund and Tilhill. Cllr S Seymour and County Cllr A Sharp to put leaflets in houses in Gilsland
07/20	Longbyre Matters reports and updates and resolutions arising 07/20.01 Land at Stoneybeck: planning application – plus updates with meetings with owners Cllr S Seymour read out a prepared statement as regards PC's attitude to Stoneybeck's planning permission (objecting) re: encroachment onto PC land. County Cllr A Sharp read out letter 06/04/10 regarding Heads of terms which clearly state that the PC land cannot be sold – it is for leisure and recreational use only (apart from land at north end of Longbyre which can be used to create parking). It was proposed that Cllr S Seymour was to contact solicitor at Cartmell Shepherd as regards land encroachment by Stoneybeck owners. It is desired that the owners remove all walls, reinstate original boundaries and make good. Cllr S Seymour to contact owners to communicate PC's decision. PROPOSED Cllr S Seymour SECONDED Cllr P Jameson <i>At 8.10pm 12 members of public left the meeting.</i> 07/20.02 Parking issues Discussion by Cllrs of the parking issues in the village – some of which is caused by Stoneybeck. Various solutions were proposed. Cllrs decided to have an investigation of the village, themselves, and look into possibility of creating public parking places on PC land at North end of village. There was a discussion of damage caused to verge/bank opposite Holyrood House (13/20.02). Cllrs to report back at next meeting with their findings.
08/20	Haltwhistle & District Joint Burial Committee Constitution was adopted and signed. PROPOSED Cllr S Seymour SECONDED Cllr J Armstrong AGREED

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Cllr J Armstrong remaining as representative on H&D JBC.

09/20	Grounds Matters	S Warren had raised issue regarding leaves from Samsø railway arch – down to village hall. Cllr A Sharp had already taken action to contact road sweeper to clear the build-up of leaves.																																																																																																																																																
10/20	Planning Applications	extension to Stoneybeck – Parish Councillors provided comments to be submitted by 10th January 2020 to Planning Department at Northumberland County Council by clerk. Cllrs objected to proposed plans due to encroachment, parking issues; emergency vehicles; bus not getting access to village.																																																																																																																																																
11/20	VE Day celebrations 2020	No updates. Not to be included in next agenda.																																																																																																																																																
12/20	Financial and Administration Matters	<p>12/20.01 Thirlwall Parish Council Financial Budget: The budget was approved subject to a contingency of £1000 to be included. Donations of £150 Gilsland Hall Toilets and £250 Gilsland Church will go into next precept financial year.</p> <p>PROPOSED: Cllr. S Seymour SECONDED: Cllr. P Jameson AGREED Precept was agreed to be raised to £6,300.</p> <p>PROPOSED: Cllr. S Seymour SECONDED: Cllr. B Barwick AGREED</p> <p>12/20.02 Income & Expenditure as at 31st December 2019 £618.88 was returned to PC's bank account by Jigsaw Nursery as unspent funds from a donation given in January 2019. These were noted. Cllrs thank Jigsaw Nursery for this.</p> <p>12/20.03 Bank Reconciliation and Accounts for Payment as at 8th January 2020 The following payments were agreed for expenditure:</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="7" style="text-align: center;">Payments for approval for 8th January 2020</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td colspan="7">Included in Balance</td> </tr> <tr> <td>20/11/2019</td> <td>91</td> <td>12/20.03</td> <td>Direct</td> <td>Amazon</td> <td>Envelopes</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£2.79</td> </tr> <tr> <td>22/11/2019</td> <td>92</td> <td>12/20.03</td> <td>Direct</td> <td>Amazon</td> <td>Computer Paper</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£19.75</td> </tr> <tr> <td>02/12/2019</td> <td>93</td> <td>12/20.03</td> <td>DDR</td> <td>Corbridge</td> <td>IT</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£3.75</td> </tr> <tr> <td>02/01/2020</td> <td>94</td> <td>12/20.03</td> <td>DDR</td> <td>Corbridge</td> <td>IT</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£3.75</td> </tr> <tr> <td>02/01/2020</td> <td>95</td> <td>12/20.03</td> <td>Direct</td> <td>C Jarvis</td> <td>S Saunders gift</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£18.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>02/01/2020</td> <td>96</td> <td>12/20.03</td> <td>Direct</td> <td>Topsigns</td> <td>Play Area Sign</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£24.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>02/01/2020</td> <td>97</td> <td>12/20.03</td> <td>Direct</td> <td>Corbridge</td> <td>Computer Repair</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£50.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>05/01/2020</td> <td>98</td> <td>12/20.03</td> <td>Direct</td> <td>Upper Der</td> <td>Play Area Inspector</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£16.67</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="6"></td> <td style="text-align: right;">139.21</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="7">Not Included in Balance</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Corbridge Computing</td> <td>Feb March</td> <td></td> <td>DDR</td> <td></td> <td>7.50</td> <td>2 Months</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Community Heartbeat</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>Direct</td> <td></td> <td>104.40</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mrs Susan Saunders</td> <td>Salary/Exp</td> <td></td> <td>Direct</td> <td></td> <td>248.00</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mrs Catherine Jarvis</td> <td>Salary/Exp</td> <td></td> <td>Direct</td> <td></td> <td>380.53</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>John Dixon</td> <td>Grass Cutting</td> <td></td> <td>Direct</td> <td></td> <td>565.00</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Roger Amato</td> <td>Notice board</td> <td></td> <td>Direct</td> <td></td> <td>280.00</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="6"></td> <td style="text-align: right;">1585.43</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="6">Total Payments for Approval</td> <td style="text-align: right;">1724.64</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>12/20.04 Printer for Clerk – Colour laser scanner printer for clerk agreed (max. spend £120) PROPOSED: Cllr. S Seymour SECONDED: Cllr. J Armstrong AGREED</p> <p>12/20.05 Clerk's salary to paid quarterly. PROPOSED: Cllr. S Seymour SECONDED: Cllr. P Jameson AGREED</p>					Payments for approval for 8th January 2020							Included in Balance							20/11/2019	91	12/20.03	Direct	Amazon	Envelopes	£2.79	22/11/2019	92	12/20.03	Direct	Amazon	Computer Paper	£19.75	02/12/2019	93	12/20.03	DDR	Corbridge	IT	£3.75	02/01/2020	94	12/20.03	DDR	Corbridge	IT	£3.75	02/01/2020	95	12/20.03	Direct	C Jarvis	S Saunders gift	£18.50	02/01/2020	96	12/20.03	Direct	Topsigns	Play Area Sign	£24.00	02/01/2020	97	12/20.03	Direct	Corbridge	Computer Repair	£50.00	05/01/2020	98	12/20.03	Direct	Upper Der	Play Area Inspector	£16.67							139.21	Not Included in Balance							Corbridge Computing	Feb March		DDR		7.50	2 Months	Community Heartbeat			Direct		104.40		Mrs Susan Saunders	Salary/Exp		Direct		248.00		Mrs Catherine Jarvis	Salary/Exp		Direct		380.53		John Dixon	Grass Cutting		Direct		565.00		Roger Amato	Notice board		Direct		280.00								1585.43	Total Payments for Approval						1724.64
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13/20	<p>Correspondence 13/20.01 Library Consultation. Cllrs supported this wholeheartedly to keep libraries open. Cllrs are opposed to any reduction in services. Clerk to draft letter for Cllr S Seymour. Deadline for consultation 18/03/20. PROPOSED: Cllr. S Seymour SECONDED: Cllr. P Jameson AGREED 13/20.02 Verge at Longbyre (Discussed see: 07/20.02) 13/20.03 Litter campaign (NCC) – No action. 13/20.04 Request to support the local Electricity Bill.</p> <p>COUNCIL RESOLUTION</p> <p>That Thirlwall Parish Council</p> <p>I) notes that the Local Electricity Bill</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">* aims to address the current situation, whereby the very large financial setup and running costs involved in selling locally generated renewable electricity to local customers result in it being impossible for local renewable electricity generators to do so, * if made law, would make these financial costs proportionate to the scale of a renewable electricity supplier's operation and therefore empower councils, together with their communities, to sell locally generated renewable electricity directly to local people, businesses and organisations, and * would result in councils or community organisations that set up local renewable electricity companies receiving revenues that could be used to help fund local greenhouse gas emissions reduction measures and to help improve local services and facilities</p> <p>II) accordingly resolves to support the Local Electricity Bill, supported by a cross-party group of 115 MPs during the 2017-19 Parliamentary session; and</p> <p>III) further resolves to write to the organisers of the campaign for the Bill, Power for People, (at 8 Delancey Passage, Camden, London NW1 7NN or info@powerforpeople.org.uk) expressing its support.</p> <p>Cllrs supported this. Clerk to write. PROPOSED: Cllr. S Seymour SECONDED: Cllr B Barwick AGREED 13/20.05 Thank you emails from AgeUK and Sport Tynedale – noted. 13/20.06 Westwoodburn First School Consultation – noted. 13/20.07 Tynedale Local Area Council meeting on 14/01/19 at 3pm – Cllr A Sharp to keep Cllrs updated.</p>
14/20	<p>Dates and times of next meetings Meeting times changed back to 7.30pm PROPOSED: Cllr S Seymour SECONDED: Cllr B Barwick AGREED Parish Council Meeting – Wednesday 11th March 2020 from 7.30pm in Gilsland Village Hall <i>The meeting closed at 21:10.</i></p>

Meeting minutes (08012020) approved by:

Date: