

# CALDBECK PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Meeting held at Caldbeck Parish Hall on Monday 13 May 2019 at 7:30pm.

**Cllrs Present:** Tim Cartmell (Chairman), Norman Atkinson, Angela Glendinning, Alan Tyson  
**Also Present:** Mike Johnson (County Councillor), Simon Smith (Clerk)

## 13.5.18 - 1 **Election of Chairman for the next Council year**

Tim Cartmell was appointed Chairman.

## 13.5.18 - 2 **To accept Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office**

Tim Cartmell completed his declaration of acceptance of office.

## 13.5.18 - 3. **To appoint a Vice Chairman for the next Council year**

Paul Doherty was appointed Vice Chairman.

## 13.5.18 - 4. **Apologies**

Apologies were received from John Brown, Paul Doherty, Alastair MacFadzean, Ian Shaw and Tony Annison (Allerdale Borough Councillor)

## 13.5.18 - 5. **Minutes**

The Chairman was authorised to sign the minutes of the ordinary Parish Council meeting held on 25 March 2019 as a true record.

## 13.5.18 - 6. **Declaration of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

## 13.5.18 - 7. **Public Participation**

Following the Annual Parish Meeting where the public asked questions and gave comments, no members of the public attended the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council.

## 13.5.18 - 8. **Annual Parish Meeting**

It was agreed to include on the agenda for the next meeting on 17 June arrangements for waste recycling and whether the Parish Council was due any income from recycling credits.

## 13.5.18 - 9. **Co-option Arrangements**

The arrangements for co-opting two Parish Councillors at the meeting of the Parish Council on 17 June were approved. The June Parish Magazine included an invitation for people to express interest and further information.

## 13.5.18 - 10. **Planning applications and decisions**

### a) **Applications**

i) [T/2019/0065](#) **Clay Dubs, Caldbeck, Wigton, CA7 8ER** Fell Silver Birch Tree - **No objection**

ii) [7/2019/2087](#) **Land to the East of the Childrens Play Area, Heskett Newmarket**

Approval of details reserved by condition on planning application 7/2016/2092: Condition 11 (Schedule for the implementation of flood risk & surface water measures) - Erection of dwellinghouse. Concern was expressed that on this technical matter it appeared detailed design drawings were required and that there was no report from the County Council as the Lead Local Flooding Authority. Following discussion it was agreed the Clerk should

contact the National Park and County Council Highways to see if further information was forthcoming and if the County Council would provide appropriate assurances.

**b) Decisions notified by Lake District National Park**

- iii) [7/2019/2036](#) **Catcrag, Upton, Caldbeck, Wigton, CA7 8EU** Steel framed extension to existing lambing shed **Planning permission granted**

**13.5.18 - 10. Hesketh Lonning Footpath**

The Chairman provided an update on the footpath. The Footpath Working Group met on 8 May 2019, with Mike Johnson and Tony Annison. As landowners had rejected the County Council's offer of mediation, Mike Johnson offered to speak directly to the landowners. He also suggested taking the footpath issues to Allerdale Local Committee via the Allerdale Highways Working Group. Depending on progress made in the next two weeks, the Parish Council would write to the Council's Chief Executive in light of the independent reviewer's original report which the Information Commissioner had ruled should be released and which the County Council had finally provided. The independent reviewer had concluded that the Chief Executive reviewed the decision and proceeded with the Footpath Creation Order.

**13.5.18 - 11. Community Led Affordable Housing**

The Clerk reported that the grant offer letter had not yet been received and that architects could not be commissioned until the grant conditions were understood and agreed. The letter was expected soon.

**13.5.18 - 12. Lake District National Park land disposals**

The Chairman reported that the National Park Property Board were supportive of the disposal in principle to the Parish Council and subject to Treasury consent which may take some time.

**13.5.18 - 13. Parish Maintenance**

Updates from the December meeting:

- a) Issues raised with Matt Bish, County Council Highways
  - i) Caldbeck Green - pot holes
  - ii) B5299 Ratten Row, Caldbeck - Surface water across road & Caldbeck Boundary Sign
  - iii) Warning signs at Faulds Brow
  - iv) Warning signs and Wath Brow
  - v) Upton, Caldbeck - Road surface
  - vi) Hesketh Lonning road particularly near Throstle Hall
  - vii) Hesketh Newmarket/Newlands - Step protruding on road towards bridge
  - viii) Hesketh Newmarket, Street Head/Woodhall Junction - Surface water drainage/road markings.  
Given comments from the Annual Parish Meeting, the Clerk would chase up the need for white line repainting as a priority. He would also ask for an update on drainage solutions as earlier work has not solved the drainage/surface water problems.
  - ix) Drain between Bumblethwaite and Bonners Farm
  - x) Whelpo Bridge to Faulds Brow - pot holes
  - xi) Howbeck - gritting bin. Actioned.
  - xii) Hesketh Newmarket - road closures, co-ordination and sign posting. The Parish Council noted the response for Highways and would continue pressing for better coordination of work and better signage. The Clerk would follow up the marking up of further repair work from Hesketh Newmarket to Howbeck.
  - xiii) Blue Gate - use by County Council Highways and fly tipping. The Clerk was asked to contact the National Park about Highways' proposals and use of Blue Gates together with the concerns over fly tipping. See also point 8 above and the wider discussion of recycling facilities with Blue Gate as a possible site.

The Clerk was asked to discuss the report with Highways with the aim of getting clearer commitments to action on outstanding points.

b) Other issues

xiv) Street lighting issues - reinstallation of light near Calva and reported lights out. The Chairman reported that there had been a meeting with the owners about the street light. The Clerk had been asked to liaise with Highways and Allerdale Borough Council to see where a light might be positioned and obtain a cost estimate. A further meeting would then be arranged to discuss options, including funding.

One other urgent matter was raised. It was agreed to follow up the erection of a mirror for the Woodhall Lane/The Street junction when Parish Councillors were back from holidays.

### 13.5.18 - 14. **Street Lighting**

The Clerk provided an update. Electricity North West had provided quotes of £8,000 for the electrical installation of two small footway lights closer to existing electricity supplies. Given these quotes it was agreed to look again at smaller solar powered footway lights.

### 13.5.18 - 15. **Parish Council Audit and Final Accounts 2018-19**

The Parish Council **resolved**:

- a) To receive the internal audit report for 2018-19
- b) To approve the final accounts for 2018-19
- c) To complete, approve and sign the Annual Governance Statement for 2018-19.

### 13.5.18 - 16. **Monthly Accounts 2019-20**

The Parish Council approved the receipts and payments since the last meeting.

a) Receipts

- i) Allotment rents £24.00
- ii) Cumberland Building Society annual interest £38.70
- iii) Precept £6,165.00
- iv) Interest April £22.06 and May £21.35
- v) Lake District National Park - contribution to car park grass cutting £50.00
- vi) Other rent £10.00

b) Payments

- i) Jean Airey Internal Auditor £50.00
- ii) CALC subscription £179.33

c) Bank Balances

- i) Current Account £14,693.20
- ii) Deposit account £108,272.33 including £98,627.80 for Hesket Lonning footpath

d) On line banking arrangements operating satisfactorily. Bank figures as at 6 May 2019.

### 13.5.18 - 17. **Correspondence**

The Parish Council noted the items of correspondence received since the last meeting:

- i) **CALC**: April and May Newsletters; Summer conference 22 June, Penrith
- ii) **Lake District National Park**: April Report from Geoff Davies

### 13.5.18 - 18. **Meeting Dates**

Date of next meeting 17 June 2019

29 July 2019

2 September 2019

14 October 2019

2 December 2019

13 January 2020

**The meeting ended at 8:40pm**