

WINSCALES PARISH COUNCIL

Monday 21 March 2022, 6.30pm, at the Hunday Manor Hotel

Minutes No. (Mar-039)

Parish Councillors summoned to attend: Cllrs Michele Twiss (Chair), Hilary Harrington (Vice Chair), Carole Armstrong, Peter Gaston (PC & ABC Representative Councillor for Winscales), Temp ABC's Cllr Michael Heaslip and Paul Scott. Also summoned was Cllr Jimmy Gridale (ABC Representative Councillor for Winscales)

Attended was Cllrs Michele Twiss, Hilary Harrington, Carole Armstrong, Peter Gaston

1. The Chair welcomed all to the meeting and there were apologies from Cllrs Heaslip, and Scott. None attendee was Cllr Gridale. The clerk informed councillors of the resignation of Colin Illman due to his moving out of the parish.
2. There was no declaration of interest to note.
3. There was no Public Participation to note.
4. There are three Parish Councillor Vacancies
5. The Minutes of the meeting held on 17 January 2022 were discussed and all accepted as a true record. The Chair signed as a true record and there were no matters arising from the Minutes.
6. **Funding and Projects**
 - 6.1. The Queens Platinum Jubilee Bench: AM emailed the Manager of HMH to request permission to site a bench in the hotel grounds, and that parishioners be allowed to use the bench – to date no reply has been received. The clerk advised against using the precept in this instance as it has no benefit to parishioners. Discussed was the planting of a tree on the grounds of the new school with a stemmed plaque with the inscription 'Donated by Winscales Parish Council to Commemorate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee June 2023' - AM invited the Head Teacher Mr Airdow to the meeting but he did not attend – MT to contact the school to discuss the type of tree they would prefer.
 - 6.2. Afternoon Tea / Picnic Box for the 65 and overs discussed but the amount of work involved would be a challenge to put together and so councillors decided against this. Also discussed was the cost of placing planters around the parish – AM sought quote from Tivoli Landscaping which was £8346.54 for a four-year plan – Councillors agreed that this was way out of reach and not to feasible to proceed with this project.
7. **Representative Borough and County Councillors Session**

Representative Councillor in attendance for ABC, Cllr Gaston spoke of new boundaries coming into force shortly which will put Winscales with Harrington.
8. **Any Other Business relating to Parish Matters**
 - 8.1. JW – GDF Committee Panel - HH Reported of an offer of a million pounds for community projects being offered to residents who don't oppose discussions of their areas being looked at – councillors likened it as dangling a carrot from a stick.
 - 8.2. Nuclear Geological Disposal Facility – it was said that Marion Fitzgerald may not stand in the May 2022 elections and the above are two of her projects, councillors asked where it will leave the GDF Committee Panel and the NGDF
Also reported was the termination of some parish councils or having them governed by Town Councils.



9. Correspondence received Victim Support to thank WPC for the £100 donation.
10. Planning Notifications to note
- A) Planning Application FUL/2022/0040 Reference No: FUL/2022/0040. Applicant: Walker Bros (Cockermouth) Ltd. Proposal: Erection of 12no. storage units. Location: 11 Pitwood Road, Lillyhall Industrial Estate, Lillyhall, Workington CA14 4JP
 - B) Planning Application FUL/2022/0042 Reference No: FUL/2022/0042 Applicant: John Wedgewood, Proposal: Erection of tractor maintenance shed for upkeep of surrounding land, Location: Fair View, Winscales, Workington CA14 4UZ
 - C) Reference No: FUL/2021/0013 Applicant: Brigham Holiday Park. Proposal: Re-submission of application FUL/2020/0189 for a change of use for the former CL caravan site and former kennel business to lodge site, Location: Gale Brow, Winscales, Workington, CA14 4UZ - Allerdale Borough Council granted planning permission for this application
 - D) Notice of Planning Permission, Erection of a new building for the Coroner's Service and creation of a new access, parking, hard and soft landscaping and associated ancillary development. Land adjacent to West Cumbria House, Jubilee Road, Lillyhall, Workington
11. Financial Review/Accounts: Bank Statement dated 28 February 2022 was discussed - Start balance was £9051.12, no payments were received, cheque number 065 for £100 was cleared from the account and no schedule of payments was put forward and no cheques were issued on the night. The close of statement is £8951.12. The clerk noted that the balance sheets are ready for the close of year and will be sent to the internal audit in early April 2022.
- The clerk requested that councillors accept the NALC Pay Agreement for 2021 / 2022 and salary scales – to be Backdated to 1st April 2021. Councillors asked the Clerk to leave the room while it was discussed. As this would leave no officer to record the decision the Chair requested that the clerk stay as the pay increase is in line with government agreement for local councils, the cost to the council will be £31.68 per annum – proposed MT, seconded PG – all accepted, the clerk thanked councillors.
12. The date of the AGM and Annual Assembly is noted as 16th May 2022

Meeting closed at 19:50

[Dates in advance 3rd Monday by-monthly]

Meeting dates for councillors' diaries: 18 July 2022, 19 September 2022, 21 November 2022, 16 January 2023, 20 March 2023

