

Holme Parish Council

Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council meeting held on Monday 28th October 2019 at Holme Parish Hall

Present: Councillors: Medwin Sherriff, Ruth Taylor, Sue Wragg, Christine Herbert, Liz Breaks

To be presented for acceptance at the Parish Council meeting on Monday 25th November 2019

68	/19	<p>Apologies for absence: RESOLVED to accept apologies and record the reason from Councillor Churnside and County Councillor Bingham.</p>									
69	/19	<p>Declarations of Interest: RESOLVED that there were no interests to declare.</p>									
70	/19	<p>Minutes of the meeting on Monday 30th September 2019: RESOLVED that the minutes were a correct a record and a copy was duly signed by the Chair.</p>									
71	/19	<p>Chair's Remarks: The chair noted that Councillors Herbert and Breaks had recently attended a CALC training course. Both had found the course useful but had found there was a lot to get through as the course had been reduced from four sessions to two. The bank mandate has finally been changed and the Vice-Chair is now able to sign. Dog Bins – The Chair has been in touch again with the Canal and Rivers Trust. The delay has been caused by the fact that there are a few bins that need replacing and so a bulk order has been placed. It was noted that councillors names and telephone numbers had been published in the newsletter and that they would be updated on the website along with email addresses. Pear Tree Park extension – The Chair has been in touch with District Councillor Harvey regarding this who has advised that we should follow up with SLDC on this and should say what we require. It was suggested that a meeting between PC and SLDC would be a good idea. At the last meeting Sheltered Housing was mentioned. Councillor Herbert has been in touch with the Housing Association but has received no reply. The Housing Association have already been in contact with Russell Armer. There have been a number of enquiries from people requiring sheltered housing and it would be useful to know how many people have had to leave the village due to a lack of it. The Houghton Weavers were at the Parish Hall recently and all who attended agreed it was a great evening. It was noted that Pat Fell and the management team do a great job.</p>									
72	/19	<p>County and District Councillor remarks: RESOLVED that none were present.</p>									
73	/19	<p>Public Session: RESOLVED that no members of the public were present.</p>									
74	/19	<p>Finance: RESOLVED that the account balances be noted at</p> <p>Current Account £20143.92 Deposit Account £14215.24</p> <p>RESOLVED that the monthly bank reconciliations were signed by the Vice-Chair.</p> <p>RESOLVED to authorise the following payments</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;">Scott Thornley (Clerk Salary October 2019)</td> <td style="text-align: right; padding: 2px;">£539.90</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;">DH Forestry (Lengthsman Payment October 2019)</td> <td style="text-align: right; padding: 2px;">£500.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;">Scott Thornley (Clerk's Expenses October 2019)</td> <td style="text-align: right; padding: 2px;">£5.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;">HMRC (PAYE Q2 2019/20)</td> <td style="text-align: right; padding: 2px;">£89.20</td> </tr> </table> <p>RESOLVED to authorise the purchase of a Quickbooks Online licence at an ongoing cost of £7 per month for 6 months and then £13 per month.</p>	Scott Thornley (Clerk Salary October 2019)	£539.90	DH Forestry (Lengthsman Payment October 2019)	£500.00	Scott Thornley (Clerk's Expenses October 2019)	£5.00	HMRC (PAYE Q2 2019/20)	£89.20	
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75	/19	<p>Planning: RESOLVED that there were no objections to the following application</p> <p>SL/2019/0790 at 6 Town Head Fold, Holme, LA6 1SE – First floor rear balcony with glazed balustrade.</p> <p>RESOLVED to note the following decision</p>									

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		SL/2019/0163 at Silver Croft, Milnthorpe Road, Holme, LA6 1PX – Detached dwelling (REFUSED)	
76	/19	<p>Other Matters:</p> <p>Police Report – The latest police report was read out. There had been no crimes of note in the past month in the local area. However, in the wider area several quad bikes had been stolen, pushy fish sellers have been trying to get bank details from residents and a new scam involving half price TV licences have been going around.</p> <p>Speed Indication Devices – The Chair has spoken to the local PCSO in the last week and was advised that checks are being carried out on Milnthorpe Road. The PCSO agreed that there was a problem on Milnthorpe Road. Further checks are ongoing and we hope to have a meeting with the police very soon. It is important to note that without the police and highways on board there is very little the Parish Council can do.</p> <p>VE Day – Suggestions were invited for activities for this celebration. It was noted that this would be a whole village celebration and it was important to involve the many committees, the school and the pub etc. It was suggested that a meeting between all of these committees would be a good idea.</p> <p>Flooding – It was noted that the village is effectively being cut off during heavy rain on some occasions. There was a question whether Highways have a programme in place to rectify this. The Clerk advised that it was best to report any problems with Highways through the HIMS system (https://www.cumbria.gov.uk/roads-transport/highways-pavements/reporting-problem-on-highway/WDM/carriageway.asp?cg=CDH) but that he would contact Highways to discuss this issue.</p> <p>The Square Project – The quotes for the work were circulated and it was RESOLVED to proceed subject to a final detailed plan. There was some discussion regarding the raised area and whether a new bench could be installed. It was agreed that the Chair would first speak to Councillor Hancock about the removal of the tree.</p> <p>BT Payphone – Notification had been received regarding the removal of the BT Payphone at Holme Mills. It was RESOLVED that the council should purchase this payphone for the village and uses for it could be discussed at a later meeting.</p> <p>Internet Support – An email was received from Big Fish Internet regarding new support packages. It was agreed that these were very expensive and that the Clerk should find out what the normal hourly rate for this support is. It was RESOLVED not to purchase a package unless the hourly rate was more expensive.</p> <p>Community Led Plan – There was a lengthy discussion about a number of the ideas in the plan. The council is currently dealing with a number of these and wished to concentrate on getting these finalised. It was RESOLVED to review the plan again in six months time.</p> <p>Royal British Legion – It was RESOLVED to make a donation of £50 to the Royal British Legion in respect of the wreath for Remembrance Sunday.</p>	
77	/19	<p>Date of next meeting:</p> <p>RESOLVED that the next meeting will be held on Monday 25th November 2019 at the Parish Hall, to commence at 7.30 pm.</p> <p>Meeting closed at 9.32pm.</p>	

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