

# Holme Parish Council

## Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council meeting held on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at Holme Parish Hall

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

District Councillor: Tom Harvey

County Councillor: Roger Bingham

*To be presented for acceptance at the Parish Council meeting on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2020*

88	/19	<b>Apologies for absence:</b> <b>RESOLVED</b> to accept apologies from Councillor Churnside.	
89	/19	<b>Declarations of Interest:</b> <b>RESOLVED</b> that there were no interests to declare.	
90	/19	<b>Minutes of the meeting on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2019:</b> <b>RESOLVED</b> that the discussion regarding donations should be added to the minutes and they should then be signed as an accurate recording.	
91	/19	<b>Chair's Remarks:</b> There are several events still being planned – 80 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Battle of Britain, VE75, Great British Spring Clean. With regard to VE75, the Chair had spoken to Tom Baxter and celebrations would centre around the pub. It was noted that 2020 is an election year for this council. Two councillors had notified that they will not stand again and so there are two vacancies to advertise. There had been a meeting with the Canal and Rivers Trust. It was deemed a positive meeting and it was noted that this council is one of a few who take an interest in the canal.	
92	/19	<b>County and District Councillor remarks:</b> The Chair welcomed Councillor Bingham back. Councillor Bingham explained that the County and District Councillors have 9 Parish Council meetings to attend so cannot always be present at them all. SLDC has a surplus of £88k currently due to an extra government grant. SLDC share of Council Tax will rise by 2.5% in 2020/21. SLDC are currently examining an extended Biodiversity Strategy which will require developers to submit extra information with planning applications. New refuse collection vehicles are being purchased – these will be smaller so much easier to get down smaller lanes. County Councillors are currently working with the Police and Crime Commissioner regarding cameras in villages. <b>Councillor Bingham left the meeting</b> Councillor Harvey had recently been in discussions with the planning department with regard to the “East of Milnthorpe Road” site. This is an SLDC allocated site and last year there had been indications of a planning application but nothing had been forthcoming. The annual survey of allocated sites is about to happen. PC could apply to have this site de-allocated. It was noted that the original application contained 25% open space but a lot of the evidence has been lost. Councillor Harvey has been given assurances that the Parish Council will be consulted early on any future applications. It was noted that the council feels that it was treated badly by SLDC and that SLDC will not admit that it has done wrong. Councillor Harvey noted that there are changes going on within the planning department and that it was acknowledged that the parish council has always been accommodating and positive. <b>Councillor Harvey left the meeting</b>	
93	/19	<b>Public Session:</b> <b>RESOLVED</b> that there were no members of the public present.	
94	/19	<b>Finance:</b> <b>RESOLVED</b> that the account balances be noted at  Current Account £16984.48 Deposit Account £14222.33  <b>RESOLVED</b> that the monthly bank reconciliations were not available as the statements had not been received.	

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		<p><b>RESOLVED</b> to note the following payments made since the last meeting</p> <p>Scott Thornley Salary December 2019 - £539.70          DH Forestry Lengthsman Payment December 2019 - £500.00          HMRC PAYE Q3 2019/20 - £123.80          Viking Direct Ink Cartridges - £54.56</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> to authorise the following payments</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Scott Thornley (Clerk Salary November 2019)</td> <td>£539.90</td> </tr> <tr> <td>DH Forestry (Lengthsman Payment November 2019)</td> <td>£500.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	Scott Thornley (Clerk Salary November 2019)	£539.90	DH Forestry (Lengthsman Payment November 2019)	£500.00			
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95	/19	<p><b>Planning:</b></p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that there were no applications.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> to note the following decisions</p> <p><b>SL/2019/0790 at 6 Town Head Fold, Holme</b> – First floor rear balcony with glazed balustrade and alteration of first floor window to door <b>(WITHDRAWN)</b></p> <p><b>SL/2019/0418 and SL/2019/0455 at Fern Cottage, Burton Road, Holme</b> – Discharge of Condition 3 and Condition 4 <b>(WITHDRAWN)</b></p>							
96	/19	<p><b>Other Matters:</b></p> <p>Police Report – The police report was read out and it was noted that rural crime was still prevalent and residents should take care to lock outbuildings etc.</p> <p>Noticeboard at Holme Mills – This had been positioned too high due to the wall in front. The chair had the permission of the landowner to lower the wall and therefore the sign and the work would be carried out ASAP.</p> <p>The Square – At the last meeting of the council it was resolved to stop any further work and re-think the whole project. Andrew Kirkwood had wanted to have a look at the Square and visited with the Chair. He was asked for his ideas and he suggested that the raised area be resurfaced with flagstones. This was simple but more attractive.</p> <p>There was some discussion about whether hard surface was right and whether damage to trees might be caused. It was also questioned whether car parking should remain.</p> <p>It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to arrange a further meeting on the square to try to make a final plan.</p> <p>Footpaths – A complaint regarding the condition of some footpaths had been received from a visitor. It was noted that this was now being dealt with by Cumbria County Council and a response had been sent to the complainant.</p> <p>SLDC Local Plan – <b>RESOLVED</b> that Cllrs Sherriff, Herbert and Breaks would attend the meeting regarding the Local Plan to represent the views regarding the “East of Milnthorpe Road” development.</p> <p>Road Safety – A response had been received from Kevin Jackson to say that a speed camera van would be deployed if required. However the view of the council is that a permanent SID would be preferable. <b>RESOLVED</b> to ask Kevin to come to the village to see for himself.</p>							
97	/19	<p><b>Date of next meeting:</b></p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that the next meeting will be held on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2020 at the Parish Hall, to commence at 7.30 pm.</p> <p>Meeting closed at 9.07pm.</p>							

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