

Holme Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 22 August 2022 at Holme Parish Hall

Present: Medwin Sherriff (Chair), Sally Sagar, Liz Breaks

Clerk, Scott Thornley

To be presented for acceptance at the Parish Council meeting on Monday 26 September 2022

366	/22	Apologies for absence: RESOLVED to accept apologies and record the reason from Cllrs. Hancock, Herbert and Wood.	
367	/22	Declarations of Interest: RESOLVED that there were no interests to declare.	
368	/22	Minutes of the meeting on Monday 25 July 2022: RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting on Monday 25 July 2022 were a correct record and a copy was signed by the Chair.	
369	/22	Chairman's Remarks: The Chair noted that there had been a little bit of progress on the village shop with he and Cllr. Breaks meeting with letting agents to discuss. Prices and terms were now awaited. Noted that Cllr. Wragg had now left the village and the vacancy should be advertised.	
370	/22	County and District Councillor Remarks: A report from County and District Cllr. Bingham had been circulated prior to the meeting and it was noted that officers at both District and County Councils were applying for jobs in the new council and a number of temporary staff were in place but were working from home and did not have the area knowledge. District Cllr. Hughes entered the meeting District Cllr. Hughes reported that she had heard from a concerned resident regarding the work on North Road. A start date for the new contractor was still awaited.	
371	/22	Public Session: There were no members of the public present.	
372	/22	Finance: Account balances noted as: Current Account - £8,977.58 Deposit Account - £35,074.17 RESOLVED to authorise the following payments: DH Forestry (Lengthsman Costs August 2022) £552.00 Scott Thornley (Salary and Expenses Aug 2022) £623.13 Holme Parish Hall (Room Hire July Meeting) £18.50	
373	/22	Planning: There had been no applications or decisions since the last meeting.	
374	/22	Other Matters: <u>Police Report</u> – The latest report had been circulated. It was noted that the PCSO had been in the area observing speed and had made a report to the CRASH team. District Cllr. Hughes offered to find out who had taken over from PC Gregory Howard. <u>Sheernest Lane</u> – A reply was awaited from Cumbria Highways regarding the situation with the verge. It was suggested that wildflowers should be sown if the area was not to be mown regularly. <u>Holme Parish Hall</u> – It was noted that the government may announce some help for businesses in relation to energy costs. The Chair had discussed the situation with the clerk and it was noted that the help was not required immediately as the hall committee had good reserves	

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		<p>currently. It was suggested that the council could offer some assistance from its own reserves in the first instance before looking to increase the precept in successive years if required. RESOLVED that the Chair and Clerk would discuss this with the Chair of the Hall Committee.</p> <p><u>Hedges and Pavement at Sheernest Lane</u> – It was RESOLVED that Cllr. Breaks would visit the homeowner to discuss the cutting of the hedge and that pressure should be put on Cumbria highways to repair the pavement ASAP.</p> <p><u>Village Shop</u> – Now in the hands of the owner of the premises to negotiate with the letting agents. No further action for the council to take at this stage.</p> <p><u>Square Project</u> – RESOLVED to defer this item to September meeting due to lack of councillors present.</p> <p><u>Footpaths</u> – Highways only own half the footpath between Hillside and North Road and their section is in good repair. Cllr. Bingham to try to ascertain who is responsible for the other half.</p> <p><u>Playground</u> – The fence is now erected. The Chair offered thanks to Cllr. Breaks and her stepson James Breaks for their work in providing drawings for this project.</p> <p><u>Playground Waste bins</u> – Nappies had once again been disposed of in the bin despite signs. It was RESOLVED to monitor the situation to see if it was a regular occurrence.</p>	
375	/22	<p>Date of next meeting: RESOLVED that the next meeting will be held on Monday 26 September 2022 at Holme Parish Hall to commence at 7.30pm.</p> <p>Meeting closed at 20.30</p>	

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