

RAVENSTONEDALE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting held on Wednesday 12th March 2009 in Ravenstonedale Public Room (above the school)

Present Councillor John Bull (Chairman) Councillors, Caroline Morris
James Richardson and Ernest Leach
Clerk, Chris Elphick.
County Councillor, Tim Stoddard
UECP Project Officer, Libby Bateman
One member of the public

Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of personal or prejudicial interest in any item on the agenda.

Apologies for absence had been received from District Councillor George Boustead,
Cllrs Paul Capstick Hilary Law and Alison Morriss

Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 18th February 2009 had been circulated and were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

Correction to information recorded in the Minutes January 2009.

The reference under "Police Matters" to "a quantity of stone stored on common land near the Chantry" was incorrectly attributed to works connected with the Chantry. The offending stone has now been removed.

Finance

Sum received

Ravenstonedale Playground Committee	£500.00
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Accounts for Payment

Ravenstonedale Educational Foundation (Room Hire)	£ 90.00
C J Elphick (Admin Expenses to 31/03/09)	£168.37
C J Elphick (Newsletter Printing)	£ 49.00
CALC Subscription 2009-10 (advance authorisation)	£138.50
Local Council Revue (advance authorisation)	£ 13.50
Kirkby Stephen Community Office	£ 50.00

Planning Applications

No.08/0867 Landscaping works in connection with Planning Approval No. 07/0030

Location The Chantry, Ravenstonedale

Applicant Mr & Mrs J Houston

Following a site visit by members of the EDC Planning Committee this application was recommended for refusal contrary to the advice of their Planning Officers.

The decision will need to be ratified at the next meeting of the full council.

Scandal Beck Recreation & Nature Area (Scandal Beck Green)

A new possible source of funding for play equipment has been identified through the new government funded "Playbuilder" scheme which is being administered by Cumbria County Council. Availability is being monitored in conjunction with Eden District's Play Forum.

Recycling

A member of the public had suggested a scheme for recycling aluminium cans without involving a third party i.e. selling direct to a scrap dealer. Proceeds from the funds generated would assist local projects.

Although the project was good in principle, it was thought to be impractical for a number of reasons. The Parish Council had previously been working with Eden District Council to establish a recycling facility within the village but a suitable site has yet to be found.

Resolved that no further action be taken on this proposal but efforts to find an acceptable recycling site will continue.

Grasscutting 2009

A tender was accepted from A. Kirby for Grasscutting during the 2009 season.

R-dale – N-o-L Cycleway/Footpath

A scheme for the provision of a Cycleway/Footpath alongside the A685, which has been under consideration for several years, has now been accepted for inclusion in a future budget by Eden Area Committee of Cumbria Highways. It was noted that this scheme is well down the list of priorities but the PC will endeavour to improve this position.

Public Participation

A request was received for an additional grit bin in the vicinity of Brownber Farm.

Correspondence received

CALC Circular March 2009

Funding Bulletin March 2009

Cumbria Calor Village of the Year Competition 2009

Highways Steward – Timetable and confirmation of duties

Standards Board – Newsletter February 2009

Eden Association of Local Councils – Meeting 8th April 2009 – Penrith TH 1900.

Neighbourhood Forum meeting, Brough, Tues 17th March – 7.30pm

SLCC – Cumbria Branch Newsletter

The foregoing items of Correspondence were circulated or noted as appropriate

Date of next meeting and Annual Parish Meeting - Thursday 16th April 2009

Signed _____ Chairman

Date 16th April 2009