

RAVENSTONEDALE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting (AGM) Thursday 13th May 2010 held in Ravenstonedale Public Room following the Annual Parish Meeting at 7.30pm

- Present** Cllr Caroline Morris (Chairman) Cllrs Helen Shields, Paul Capstick, Ernest Leach, Alison Morriss.
Clerk. Chris Elphick
UECP Project Officer, Libby Bateman
One member of the public
- Apologies** had been received from Cllrs James Richardson and Hilary Law, County Councillor Peter Thornton, District Councillor George Boustead and PCSO Janet Allinson (all at other meetings)

Election of Chairman for the year 2010-2011

Cllr Morris asked for nominations for the post of Chairman for the year 2010 – 2011. Cllr Morris was the only nomination and was re-elected unanimously.

Election of Vice-Chairman for the year 2010-2011

Cllr Law was the only nomination and was re-elected unanimously in her absence.

Declarations of Interest

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

Minutes of Meeting held on Thursday 15th April 2010 had been circulated and were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

Parish Council Insurance

An alternative quotation for the Parish Council's insurance had been received from Came & Company Insurance Brokers. The policy is underwritten by Aviva Insurance (formerly Norwich Union). Previously there had been only two specialist providers of parish council insurance, Allianz Cornhill and Zurich.

The standard cover offered by Aviva is substantially greater than that of Allianz, the current provider. The Allianz renewal premium was £716.23 against Aviva £604.55 with a further 5% discount if a three year contract is agreed, making the premium £574.32.

It was resolved that a three year agreement be signed with Aviva via their brokers Came and Company.

Finance

Approval of Draft Statement of Accounts 2009-2010

Sum Received

EDC Precept	£15,000.00
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Accounts for Payment

Aviva Insurance	£ 574.32
Grant – N-o-L Public Hall	£ 500.00
Grant – St Oswald's Churchyard	£ 500.00

The payment to St Oswald's to be retained against expenditure on memorial repairs in the churchyard. (If the PC pays then VAT may be reclaimed)

Ravenstonedale High Chapel

The transfer document received from the Synod's solicitors is short of "clause 15", an overage or clawback clause. The Council's solicitor is prompting the vendors.

Scandal Beck Green

A funding application to the Lottery Fund “Changing Spaces – Community Spaces” fund is being prepared in order to progress plans for the area.

Planning Applications

No. 10/0089	CHANGE OF USE OF VACANT OUTBUILDINGS INTO TWO HOLIDAY LETS	
Type	Full Application	
Location	Sandwath, Newbiggin-on-Lune	
Applicant	Mr S Forster	
Parish Council	No Objections	GRANTED
No. 10/0091	PROPOSED CONSERVATORY & ALTERATIONS TO EXISTING ANNEXE	
Type	Full Application	
Location	Sandwath, Newbiggin-on-Lune	
Applicant	Mr S Forster	
Parish Council	No Objections	GRANTED
No. 10/0261	CONVERSION OF BYRE TO HOLIDAY LET; SINGLE SROREY EXTENSION TO DWELLING; and 3 no. CONSERVATION ROOF LIGHTS TO REAR	
Type	Full Application	
Location	Lytheside Farm, Ravenstonedale	
Applicant	Mr R Staley	
Parish Council	No objections	
No. 10/0262	CONVERSION OF BYRE TO HOLIDAY LET; SINGLE SROREY EXTENSION TO DWELLING; and 3 no. CONSERVATION ROOF LIGHTS TO REAR	
Type	Listed Building Consent	
Location	Lytheside Farm, Ravenstonedale	
Applicant	Mr R Staley	
Parish Council	No objections	
No. 10/0330	FELL FOUR BIRCH TREES TO CREATE VEGETABLE PLOT IN RAVENSTONEDALE CONSERVATION AREA	
Type	Tree Works (CA)	
Location	Garshill Farmhouse, Ravenstonedale	
Applicant	Mr D Prince	
Parish Council	No objections	

Upper Eden Community Plan

A report on current activities was received from the Project Officer. Details and minutes of meetings may be viewed on the UECP website.

CALC “Selectives” Training for Clerks & Councillors.

It was agreed that training sessions should be deferred until autumn due to councillors’ work commitments.

Proposed Ravenstonedale Local History Group

Interest has been expressed in forming a Local History Group. An information sheet is available for potential members and advertising an inaugural meeting. This information will be published in The Link.

Upper Eden First Responders

A request has been received from the Upper Eden First Responders Group together with Orton and Tebay First Responders for co-operation in operation of “100 Club” for fundraising. It is proposed that the Parish Council will promote the lottery in

accordance with the terms of its existing Lottery Licence. Clerk to co-ordinate with Mollie Young of First Responders in production of draft rules.

Public Participation

There was a report of trees overhanging highway at Hwith. Clerk to contact Highways.

Correspondence received

CALC – County Circular May 2010 (circulated by e-mail to all councillors)
Clerks & Councils Direct
EDC – Standards Committee leaflets for distribution
SLCC – The Clerk magazine
FoLD – Annual Review
CCC – Cumbria Minerals & Waste Development Framework – submitted site allocations policies and proposals map.
CCC – The Cumbria & Lakes Rider
Kompan Playground Equipment catalogue
Cumbria CVS – Funding Bulletin May 2010

Date of next meeting: Thursday 10th June 2010

Signed _____ Chairman Date 10th June 2010