

**MINUTES OF OUGHTERSIDE AND ALLERBY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON TUESDAY 14TH MAR' 2017 AT 7PM IN PROSPECT VILLAGE HALL**

Present

O&A Parish Councillors

Mr P Milton (chairman)
Mrs L Preston-Miller
Mrs P Lukeman
Mrs L Milton
Mr J Cowan.

Parish Clerk

Mr M Milner

Allerdale Borough Councillor

Mr J Lister ABC

Cumbria County Councillor

Not present

Apologises

CCC Alan Clark

Members of the Public

8 members of the public present

Meeting Opened:

The chairman declared the meeting open at 7.00pm.

137.00 Apologises

Duly noted as above

138.00 Declaration of interests

None

**139.00 To approve and accept the minutes of the last meeting held on
Thursday 14th February, as a true record.**

139.01. The minutes were proposed for acceptance by Cllr J.C and seconded by Cllr L.M and unanimously accepted by the council. Chairman signed as a true record.

140.00 Public Participation Session. 15 minutes allowed.

Clerk reported as follows

140.01 minute 123.09 refers, 2 armchairs fly tipped removed, still 4 lorry tyres in the same vicinity by river to go.

140.02 minute 123.11, Greenway property driveway still getting water draining from the carriageway. Clerk to chase again.

140.03 3 street lights, 2 Osbourne Place and in lay-by school, all repaired.

140.04 Clerk read email saying that no speed humps could be installed by 30mph sign by Oughterside school on the road from Arkleby, nor could the "school" sign be moved to the 30mph.

140.05 Highways advised that they would look at A596 pavement parking and involve the police, plus investigate Meadow Bank and parking which is blocking dropped kerbs.

140.06 Finger post road sign on Arkleby Rd to be replaced in the not too distant future.

140.07 Pavement by school has no back kerb so folk can drop down the bank towards the fence, reported job No 12/1430048

140.08 Blocked drain opposite side to Miners Arms had been reported and job No CT/1429704 show checked and no fault found.

140.09 Fly tipping past Beech Hill, reported ref 1080548, awaiting removal.

140.10 Members of the public took Highways to task on the response to the speed humps by the school, it was claimed that there had been a promise of a roundabout at the junction some years ago. The discussion broadened to cover problems by the crossroads at Miners Arms, parking on A596 and that in the past parish council had contributed £1000 towards an illuminated speed sign but Highways could not match the funding, so returned the monies.

140.11 Residents from Watson's Terrace raised concerns about the speed of traffic through Prospect, especially log wagons and cars all exceeding the 40mph limit. There were discussions about staggered parking, placing skips on the carriageway. It was agreed that they would park with sufficient gap to allow prams etc past vehicles on the pavement. Clerk to raise all the issues with Highways to seek a sensible long term solution to the speeding problem.

140.12 The flag and post for the bus stop at Temple Bank is still missing. Clerk to chase up again.

140.13 The number of pot holes at the entrance of Salterwath Close in Oughterside has a number of pot holes, residents have not had any success with getting repairs, could parish council assist.

141.00 Police Matters.

141.01 Clerk reported that Cumbria police website not up to date, he has again reported the problems. Emma Light PCSO had supplied a written report, just one minor road accident, no injuries and no positive breath tests.

142.00 Applications for Development

142.01 None as such, but councillors had spent past month considering the Allerdale Plan Part 2, Site Allocations. After discussions, all councillors were unanimous that they raised no objections to local proposals in the plan. Clerk to advise accordingly.

143.00 Matters concerning District and County Councillors

143.01 ABC J.L advised nothing of local significance to report but he explained that Prospect & Oughterside had been chosen for expansion and additional housing as it was situated on a major road and had good bus links. Cllr J.C advised that at a meeting he had attended in Aspatria, Allerdale Borough Council asked for land owners to confirm they would be interested in their land being developed, they did not just choose a plot.

143.02 ABC J.L did not agree that was always the case. He did not know the facts of how the proposed plot from Osbourne Place down towards the school was selected.

143.03 It was clarified that the 2 nominated plots, Jim Lister’s plot with outline planning approval and the Osbourne Place area would provide potentially 50 new dwellings and the school would welcome the possible increase in pupil numbers as that meant a bigger budget.

143.04 The Graham’s Garage development was not part of the Allerdale Plan, it was an application for change of use from commercial use to dwelling, but not approved yet approved by ABC.

That concluded the agenda item, Chairman thanked ABC J.L for his attendance and invited him to stay, but he left the meeting immediately 7.42pm.

144.00 Council vacancies.

144.01 Chairman addressed the public who were in attendance and noted the number who attended and obviously felt strongly about the topics they raised and advised them that there were 4 vacancies to be filled and enquired if any felt like joining the parish council, he did not expect a reply immediately but would interested individuals contact the clerk.

145.00 Annual Meeting May 9th.

145.01 Clerk just confirmed that the annual meeting would be held on 9th May to start at 7pm and the ordinary parish council meeting would follow immediately after.

146.00 INSIDE, March Edition.

146.01 Cllr L.M apologised for not having been involved with the December edition, but circumstances meant she was unavailable. She was now prepared to take on the responsibility for the parish council magazine. She wanted to move it to a more newsy product, with potentially a gardening column, history column and involve other topics and perhaps even advertising. She confirmed she would make all the contacts and arrange for the provision of the content.

146.02 Cllr P.M queried if the advertising had been vetoed in previous discussions. The clerk had not got old minutes with him, but would clarify later that evening. Cllr J.C aired his feeling that advertising would reduce the potential content as only a 12 page A5 booklet.

146.03 It was finally decided that the current INSIDE compiled by the clerk would be produced in March, but content would be changed to cover the traffic problems, the new layout of the INSIDE and asking for contributors. Clerk and Cllr L.M to sort the layout and content over the next few days.

147.00 Progress Report, Clerk.

147.01 Clerk had attended the last Prospect Village Hall committee meeting. He reported that the VHC were going to amend their constitution to accommodate reference to the original trust document, which held vital legal information about the hall property and its disposal. The clerk would advise when a new document was received.

147.02 The bus shelter at Allerby Road End had been rebuilt by WW Builders and the invoice received. Clerk explained that although there were sufficient funds to pay the invoice, as the cost of repair had been claimed from 3rd party insurance, the parish council had to wait for the insurance money before paying the invoice.

147.03 Grass at Skiddaw View and the parking of vehicles on it. The clerk and Cllr J.C had spoken to Mr and Mrs Barnes whose property was near to the grassed area in question, it was agreed that they would ask their children and their friends to avoid parking on the grass area and also they would also reseed the area. They were pleased that the area was to be maintained by the parish council, and Cllr J.C reported that since the conversation, there was a marked improvement with the grass.

148.00 Councillors Reports.

148.01 Cllr J.C reported that he had attended the Oughterside Foundation School Official Library opening on March 3rd. The new library was very impressive and had been named in the memory of Tony Millen as his original bequest had started the project rolling. His granddaughter Keelia, a pupil, accompanied by Tony's widow, Anne, cut the ribbon officially opening the library.

149.00 Correspondence

149.01 Two requests for copies of February minutes in draft form from RLP Planning and Helen Ostle. Supplied as email attachment.

149.02 Action with Communities in Cumbria, had requested up date of clerk's contact details. Form completed and returned.

150.00 Cheque Payments for approval.

Cheque No 000291 M Milner Salary £245.65 Exp' £55.32 Total £300.97

Cheque No 000292 HMRC PAYE £61.40

Cheque No 000293 Prospect Village Hall, 50% of hall insurance.

All approved.

151.00 Date and time of next meeting, Tuesday 11th April 2017 at 7pm in Prospect Village Hall

Meeting closed 8.17pm

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