

# AINSTABLE PARISH COUNCIL

CHAIRMAN: NIGEL VEAR

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Ordinary meeting of Ainstable Parish Council held in Ainstable Church Institute at 7.30pm on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> January, 2014.

## MINUTES

**OPEN MEETING-** For discussion of matters of general Parish concern (10 mins)

- A parishioner asked why new street lights are being installed in Penrith when the County Council are looking to reduce them in rural areas. The Chair explained that the Parish Council took part in a lengthy and detailed consultation last year. As yet there has been no response to the submissions on the consultation document.
- Mr Russell Bowman (a land owner from just outside Ainstable) explained that he intends to apply for planning permission to install a wind turbine on land on the edge of the village. He said that he realised that the subject will be of concern to some and will polarise opinion. He said that he wishes for the local community to benefit from the project and is looking at ways for it to do so. He said that the documentation will be submitted in early February and Mr Bowman asked that the Parish Council to look at the documents in detail. He said that he wishes to work with the community.

**PRESENT:** Cllr Vear, Cllr Thirlwall, Cllr Smith, Cllr Bellis, Cllr Collinge, Cllr Findlay & Cllr Miller

## PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

1. **Declaration of interests-** None
2. **To receive apologies for absence-** Cllr Guise (ill)
3. **To resolve to accept the minutes of the last ordinary meeting held on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November, 2013 as a true record-** It was resolved to accept the minutes of the last ordinary meeting held on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November, 2013 as a true record (proposed by Cllr Miller, seconded by Cllr Vear, unanimous vote).
4. **To discuss the need for new parish councillors-** The Chair explained that the Parish Council needs three new councillors from the Croglin and Newbiggin ward and asked for some ideas to recruit volunteers. It was decided to try leafleting households in the ward.
5. **To receive an update on the repair of traditional road signs in the Parish**  
  
Emailed David Gosling- all parts have been ordered. The two ordered by CCC have been dismantled and are being repaired. Components should be available during Feb and they should be completed by the end of March.
6. **To receive a report on crime in the Parish-** None
7. **Report from attendance at outside bodies-** None
8. **To discuss any Highways matters arising**

Cllr Bellis reported that the system has now changed and it is taking quite a lot of time to get the fault reports on line.

Cllr Thirlwall asked whether there had been a report on the outcomes of the flooding meeting held in Croglin towards the end of last year. The Clerk agreed to look into it.

9. **To discuss the maintenance of benches and noticeboards**- It was reported that the new bench has been delivered and it has been arranged for Mr Eric Bell is to fit it. It was agreed that final quotes are now needed for noticeboards.

10. **To receive any update on the provision of a defibrillator in the parish**- It was agreed that it would be best if this was coordinated with the local First Responders group. Details of a forthcoming meeting were presented and Cllr Miller agreed to attend on behalf of the council.

11. **To approve the risk assessment document for 2013/14**

Most councillors had read the document prior to the meeting. Cllr Bellis proposed that it should be accepted as a true record of the process undertaken. Cllr Miller seconded this and all but two councillors (who hadn't read the document) voted in favour.

12. **To receive a report on the Millennium Green and its maintenance by Eden District Council**

- Grass cutting programme
- Grass cutting has been done. It was agreed to advertise the tender on noticeboards in the parish. The Clerk agreed to send a copy of a schedule for cutting that she used in another parish to Cllr Vear for reference and also check into how to terminate the contract with Eden District Council.

13. **To receive an update on Croglin Educational Foundation**- Cllr Thirlwall said that there was nothing to report at present. It was noted that the fund is publicised on local noticeboards.

14. **To receive an update on councillors' special projects**- Already covered.

15. **To discuss any matters relating to communications**

- Website, Parish news, Newsletter & Parish File

16. **To consider planning applications made and other planning matters**- None

17. **To notify the Council of planning decisions received**

13/0585 Mr P Hardon, Wyn Shiels, Ainstable, Penrith CA4 9PZ	Granted
13/0766 M/s TF & JR Pollock- Mr T Pollock, Towngate Farm, Ainstable, Carlisle CA4 9RE	Granted
13/0798 Mr & Mrs J Astley, High Farm, Ainstable, Carlisle CA4 9QR	Granted

A councillor noted that some building work is being undertaken at Meadow Stone, Ainstable and asked which planning application this related to. The Clerk agreed to check the application for details.

18. **To consider correspondence received**- Covered under other points

19. **To discuss finances**

- **To resolve to make payments due** (proposed by Cllr Vear, seconded by Cllr Miller, unanimous vote)

Clerk's Salary & Expenses £506.77 (Chq No: 100652)

**To discuss grant applications received**

- Croglin Village Hall- £500 (proposed by Cllr Findlay, seconded by Cllr Bellis, unanimous vote. It was suggested that we ask their committee for volunteers for Parish Council).

- Eden Valley Flix- £250 (proposed by Cllr Bellis, seconded by Cllr Findlay, unanimous vote).
- Ainstable Church Institute- Councillors agreed to pay for either the electric or lighting work but not car parking project.
- Fellrunner Village Bus Ltd- £135.30 (proposed by Cllr Collinge, seconded by Cllr Miller, unanimous vote).
- Croglin Church Yard- £250 (proposed by Cllr Smith, seconded by Cllr Bellis, unanimous vote).
- Ainstable Church- £700 (proposed by Cllr Smith, seconded by Cllr Bellis, unanimous vote).
- Great North Air Ambulance- £500 (proposed by Cllr Miller, seconded by Cllr Findlay, unanimous vote).
- Friends of the Lake District- Clerk to check membership fee.
- **To set the precept for 2014/15**-Having reviewed grant applications and likely expenditure for 2014/15 it was resolved that the precept remain unchanged at £9750 (proposed Cllr Findlay, seconded by Cllr Millar, unanimous vote).

20. **To receive a report from County Councillor Robinson**- Unable to attend.

21. **Points to be raised at the next meeting**

- Membership of Friends of the Lake District

22. **Date of the next meeting**- 7.30pm on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> March, 2014 in Ainstable Church Institute

Signed: *R.E. Lytollis*

Clerk to Ainstable Parish Council

21.01.14

Closed at 8.58pm