

**CULGAITH PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Held on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2014 at 7.30pm at Skirwith Village Hall**

**Present:** Councillors J. Hay, P. Jago, K. Philipson, J. Ravetz, C. Richardson, P. Toppin,

**In Attendance:** Four members of the public

**1/14 APOLOGIES**

Councillors M. Helm, J. Slann, L. Wilson,

**2/14 MINUTES**

**Resolved** that the Minutes of the business meeting of November 4th be signed by the Chairman as a true record.

**3/14 REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS**

None

**4/14 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

**5/14 PARISH CLERK'S REPORT on matters since the previous meeting**

- Boots, Morrisons and Sainsbury's pharmacies have all been contacted regarding the provision of flu injections at village halls for next winter, this is not a service they provide and it was indicated that there would probably be a cost.
- Footpath light adjacent to White House, Blencarn has stopped working, this has been reported to Eden District Council and now been repaired.
- Philip Grant, deputy principal at Newton Rigg College has made an offer for his Countryside management students to replace the footbridge near the ford at Skirwith Beck with the footbridge which is currently lodged in the trees after being washed away in May 2013 and also to tidy up the footpath leading to the bridge. He has also offered to do any work on footpaths, hedgelaying and drystone walling.

**6/14 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Queen's garden Party – Councillors J Hay and C Richardson were nominated to attend.
- The Clerk is to attend the Clerk's forum.
- Councillor J Hay has replied to Cumbria County Council's consultation regarding their budget.
- There is a supply of poppy seeds in commemoration of World War One.
- Footway lighting is to go to consultation.
- Councillor Hay attended a meeting of Action for Cumbria regarding neighbourhood planning.

**7/14 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Issues raised included the footbridges over Skirwith Beck and the children's play equipment in Skirwith.

**8/14 PLANNING**

**EDC had approved the following**

- 13/0649 Lyncroft, Langwathby. Demolish existing dwelling and erection of replacement dwelling.
- 13/0714 Highfield, Blencarn. Revised application for the change of use of land from keeping of horse to domestic garden and erection of car port/shed.
- 13/0783 River Dene, Kirkland Road, Skirwith. Remove ash tree overhanging greenhouse; Skirwith Conservation Area.

**EDC had refused the following**

- 13/0840 Pea Top Farm. Division of an existing building to create an additional dwelling.

**Awaiting a decision**

- 13/0749 Land Adj to Abbey Lodge Barn, Skirwith. Erection of dwelling.
- 13/0914 Greentofts, Culgaith. Demolition of existing flat roof extension & replacement with new enlarged extension with pitched roof.

**Resolved** to make no objections to the following

- 13/0931 Ivy Cottage, Culgaith. Variation of condition No. 2 (plans compliance) attached to planning approval 12/0664 comprising revision to the layout of plot 1.

**9/14 FINANCE**

**Resolved** to accept the Review of Effectiveness of Internal Audit carried out under The Accounts and Audit Regulations 2003 amended by the Accounts and Audit (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2006 is enclosed for approval by the Council.

**10/1 PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS**

**4 Resolved** to make the following payments

£413.04	Clerk's Salary 1 November to 2 January 2014
£91.78	Clerk's expenses (Poppy wreath, Printer ink cartridges )
£10.00	Skirwith Village Hall (Room Hire January 13th)
£5.00	CALC – Clerk's forum

**11/14 FINANCIAL REPORT**

**Resolved** to accept the accounts of 25<sup>th</sup> December as a true record of the Council's finances. As of 25th December the balances at National Savings were £7,968.71 and at the Bank £3,592.78, this includes the grant of £1,500. It was agreed that £2,500 be transferred from the National Savings account to the Bank account.

**12/1 COUNTY and DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORTS**

**4** None.

**13/1 STANDING ORDERS**

**4 Resolved** to accept the revised standing orders.

**14/1 FOOTPATH AT BLENCARN**

**4 Resolved** to apply to have the right of way on footpath no 320022 diverted. It was agreed that one third of the cost would be met by the Parish Council.

**15/1 GRASS CUTTING**

**4 Resolved** that the Clerk should seek tenders for grass cutting for 2014.

**16/1 BRIDGE AT SKIRWITH BECK**

**4 Resolved** that this issue would be discussed again at the March meeting.

**17/1 CORRESPONDENCE**

**4** The Clerk briefed the Council on routine correspondence and it was agreed that the Clerk should unsubscribe from emails not pertaining to Parish Council business.

**18/1 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

**4 Resolved** that the next Parish Council meeting would be on Monday March 3rd 2014 at Kirkland and Blencarn Recreation Room