



Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 02 December 2019 in the Sedgwick Room, Dent

Present: Councillors Juliet Hoggar, Ian Mitchell, Graham Dalton, Chris Evans, Geoff Woof, Emma Richardson, Gary Seekins, Danny Smith

To be presented for acceptance at the Parish Council meeting on Monday 03 February 2020

116	/19	Apologies for absence: RESOLVED that there were no apologies.	
117	/19	Declarations of Interest: RESOLVED that there were no interests to declare	
118	/19	Minutes of the meeting on Monday 04 November 2019: RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting on Monday 04 November 2019 were a correct record and a copy was duly signed by the Chair.	
120	/19	Clerk's Report: RESOLVED to accept the Clerk's Report.	
121	/19	Chair and Member Announcements: There were no announcements from the Chair. It was noted that there had been a large amount of disruption caused by the closure of Millthrop Bridge. Further work is planned in the Spring and so this needs to be looked at now to ensure any further disruption is kept to a minimum. It was agreed that this will be discussed by the Amenities and Environment Committee on 17 December. Points for consideration should include: Can the bridge be widened? Can it be strengthened? Is Lime Mortar the best material for repairing the bridge? Will extended work hours be utilised? It was noted that there are still issues with the highway at the very top of the dale and it was agreed to include these in the meeting with highways that is to be arranged. Some flytipping on Barbondale was not noted and there is still an item to be removed. Councillor Mitchell agreed to contact John Barwise at SLDC to arrange this. Stone Rigg Outrake was like sheet ice on 01 December with motorists struggling to get up the hill. No grit piles have been delivered and the grit bin has not been filled. Councillor Mitchell to chase this up with Highways.	
122	/19	County and District Councillor Announcements: RESOLVED that there were no announcements.	
123	/19	Public Forum: It was suggested that new signs should be erected before Millthrop Bridge to try to stop large vehicles from getting to the bridge and causing more damage. It was noted that the new bin at Beech Hill may not be getting emptied. The Clerk will monitor this.	
124	/19	Policy and Resources Committee: Budget 20/21 – The committee had discussed the budget for FY 2020-2021 and had agreed to recommend to the full council that an increase of 2.85% was required on the precept. The recommendation was noted and discussed and it was RESOLVED to accept the proposal and a precept of £17355 will be requested. Grants – A total of five applications were received by the deadline from Dent CE Primary School, Dentdale Head to Foot, Dent Parochial Church Council, Western Dales Bus and Dent School Governors. Based on projected figures for the year the committee decided that only £1600 was available from the £3000 budgeted. It was their recommendation that this £1600 be granted to Dent CE Primary School along with a further £507.22 from reserves. A further £500 was recommended to be granted to Dentdale Head to Foot from reserves. It was unanimously RESOLVED to accept this recommendation. The application from Dent School Governors was considered to be exceptional and dealt with separately. This application was for £11,000 towards the cost of a new boiler and £4000 towards associated repairs. The committee were uncomfortable with the installation of another oil-fired boiler and wished to know if any “green” alternatives had been considered. It	

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		also wished to see a copy of the full surveyors report and evidence that the best price was being obtained. The recommendation was to offer £11,000 to the governors as a loan once it was satisfied that the concerns above had been satisfied. Disappointment was expressed that this issue had not been dealt with sooner and that it was now urgent.															
125	/19	Amenities and Environment Committee: This committee does not meet again until 17 December.															
126	/19	Car Park Committee: This committee will meet again on 09 December to discuss the new lease that had arrived.															
127	/19	Playing Field Committee: This committee does not meet again until the New Year.															
128	/19	Planning: Applications: S/01/85C at Conder Barn, Dent, LA10 5QT - householder planning permission for alterations to existing doors and windows and internal re-configuration of living space (re-submission of S/01/85B, incorporating bi-fold doors) It's the opinion of the Parish Council that the proposed works will be in accordance with the Development Plan and the NPP. RESOLVED to fully support this application. Decisions: S/01/185B at Broadmire Farm, Cowgill - householder planning permission for internal and external alterations to existing house and barn, including forming new doors and windows, installation of 5 No. rooflights and new oil boiler into barn (Approved conditionally) S/01/205B at West Banks Cottage, Dent - Householder planning permission for erection of two storey extension to south elevation (Approved Conditionally)															
129	/19	Finance: RESOLVED to note the bank balances as Current Account £ Deposit Account £ RESOLVED to note the payments made since the last meeting as: HMRC VAT Q2 2019/20 £946.25 RESOLVED to authorise the following payments:															
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		It was noted that it is usual for Councillors who have attended training to give a brief report on the training and its effectiveness. RESOLVED that this would be done at the February meeting.															
130	/19	Exceptional Items: Hedge Cutting – It was noted that the top half of Gawthrop Hill and some of the hedges between Gawthrop and Dillicar had not been cut. The Clerk will speak to the contractor to find out what has happened.															

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132	/19	<p>Date of next meeting: RESOLVED that the next meeting will be held on Monday 03 February 2020, in The Sedgwick Room, Dent to commence at 7.30pm.</p> <p>Meeting closed at 8.29pm</p>	
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