



**Minutes of the Amenities and Environment Committee meeting held on
Monday 19 February 2024 in the Sedgwick Room, Dent**

Present: Emma Richardson (Chair), Andrew Povey, Laura Thornley, Geoff Woof

To be presented at the Amenities and Environment Committee meeting on Monday 22 April 2024

AE178	/24	Apologies for absence: There were no apologies received.	
AE179	/24	Declarations of Interest: There were no interests to declare.	
AE180	/24	Minutes of the last meeting: RESOLVED to agree the minutes of the meeting on Tuesday 21 November 2023 as a correct record and a copy was signed by the Chair.	
AE181	/24	Public Forum: No members of the public were present and no items had been received for discussion that were not on the agenda.	
AE182	/24	Graffiti: Noted that more graffiti had appeared on road signs in Cowgill. It seems that someone has tried to remove it. It was RESOLVED to report via HIAMS and add a post on Facebook and WhatsApp.	
AE183	/24	Beech Hill Gardens: Still no response from Ian Kitson regarding this. RESOLVED that the Clerk should chase this again and also explore alternatives.	
AE184	/24	Verge Maintenance: Noted that this had been resolved at the last meeting.	
AE185	/24	Highways and Bridges: It was noted that a lot of work had been done. The Clerk advised that he had received a response from Dan Chalmers regarding a meeting and that this was being set up. RESOLVED that the Clerk should update the log of issues and circulate to the members. Noted that the Dent village sign had still not been replaced and this should also be chased up.	
AE186	/24	Footway Lighting: The Clerk had been having regular calls with Ian Hutt and this had prompted a response with some lights now being installed. Progress was still slow however and it was RESOLVED that the Clerk should continue to put pressure on Ian.	
AE187	/24	Seat outside Reading Room: The Clerk advised that he had now received the agreement from Westmorland and Furness Council and it was RESOLVED that this should be signed by Cllrs. Richardson and Thornley. Noted that the Clerk should check with Highways where the grit bin could go and also speak with the residents at Seeds Gill House and also the two families requesting the bench.	

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AE188	/24	The Green: This work was still outstanding. Cllr Mitchell had received a response from Peter Thornton suggesting that Westmorland and Furness Council may offer a long lease. It was noted that this outstanding work should be completed before the council takes over the running of the playground and also all equipment should be checked to ensure it is in good order. Noted that a budget header for repairs will be required if the council takes over the green.	
AE189	/24	Sun Inn: A discussion had taken place with Martin Stafford who was very helpful and open to the suggestion. 4 members of the group had been for a tour of the building. The group had decided that it should be separate from the Parish Council and had appointed Andrew Povey as its Chair.	
AE190	/24	Fountain: An offer had been received from a resident to pay for the survey into the Fountain and this had been booked for 29 February. There was some discussion regarding the use of the fountain and the committee decided that it did not want to see the fountain turned into a drinking fountain with a button. RESOLVED to make this recommendation to the full council.	
AE191	/24	Date of next meeting: RESOLVED that the next meeting will be on Monday 22 April 2024 at The Sedgwick Room, Dent. Meeting closed at 20.15	

Action List

Report graffiti	ST
Chase ian Kitson	ST
Update highways log and circulate	ST
Sign agreement for seat	ST
Speak with Seeds Gill House and families requesting bench	ST

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