

MORLAND PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting of Morland Parish Council held on Monday 8th March 2021 at 7.30pm via Zoom.

Present: Parish Councillors; Bob Brown, Dan Fitton, Phillip Hancock, Lesley Robson, Peter Taylor (Vice-Chair), Paul Vines, Steve Wilson (Chair)
Officers; Lisa Beken (Clerk)
District Councillor: Mike Tonkin

One member of the Public was also present.

- 3/21/1 Apologies for absence: RESOLVED** that the following absences be noted:
a) County Councillor David Whipp (no apologies received).
- 3/21/2 Declarations of Interest: RESOLVED** that Councillor Fitton declared an interest in item 12 (a) of the agenda (minute number
- 3/21/3 Minutes: RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on January 11th 2021 were confirmed as a true record and were signed by the Chair.
- 3/21/4 Public Participation: RESOLVED** that a representative of the Village Hall presented a proposal for the installation of electric vehicle charge points. The Hall has been approached by a not-for-profit company who are interested in installing these. The Parish Council will be kept informed as this is further investigated.
- 3/21/5 Progress Reports: RESOLVED** that Councillor Robson provided an update to the Parish Council. A new policy and a table of green spaces had been added to the plan. After a final proof read, it would be submitted to Eden District Council.
- 3/21/6 Accounts:**
a) **RESOLVED** that the Council agreed to make payments as detailed in the payment schedule.
b) **RESOLVED** that Councillors received the bank reconciliation.
- 3/21/7 Highways and Maintenance: RESOLVED** that the following issues were discussed;
a) **RESOLVED** that Councillor Hancock would purchase a light for outside Morland House.
b) **RESOLVED** that issues at the bottom of Lowergate are ongoing and that Councillor Wilson was awaiting a response from Cumbria Highways.
c) **RESOLVED** that an engineer had inspected Force Bridge and Town End Bridge, and that work would be scheduled by Cumbria County Council.
d) **RESOLVED** that concerns were raised regarding recent diversion routes employed during roadworks, demonstrating a lack of local knowledge.
ACTION Clerk to contact Cumbria Highways to request local input is taken on board.
e) **RESOLVED** that ongoing concerns regarding water running down Little Appleby Road were discussed.
ACTION Clerk to contact Cumbria Highways.
- 3/21/8 Grass cutting: RESOLVED** that the Council agreed to contract Mark Binney to cut the grass in the Parish in 2021.
- 3/21/9 Allotments: RESOVLED** that more interest had been expressed in the allotments. Issues with sitting water on the site following heavy rain were acknowledged. Councillors Wilson and Fitton has featured in a positive article in the Cumberland and Westmorland Herald regarding the development of the allotment.
ACTION Councillors to monitor if any blockages are causing flooding to the site.

- 3/21/10** **Local Government Reorganisation: RESOLVED** that Councillors were informed of the ongoing government consultation in local government reorganisation in Cumbria, and of a CALC event to discuss.
ACTION: Clerk to send details of CALC event, and to email response for approval from Councillors following this.
- 3/21/11** **Return to face-to-face meetings: RESOLVED** that Councillors were informed that unless further legislative changes were made, there would be a return to in-person meetings from May 7th 2021.
ACTION: Clerk to keep Councillors updated of developments.
- 3/21/12** **Planning Applications: RESOLVED** that the following comments submitted on behalf of the Parish Council as previously submitted were acknowledged:
a) 20/1002 Depot at Fell View, Morland. Erection of dwelling. **No objections**
- 3/21/13** **Council matters: RESOLVED** that following matters were raised;
a) Issues with dead leaves and debris at Wilson Brow.
ACTION: Clerk to obtain quotes for road sweeper.
b) Condition of paths following hedge cutting.
ACTION: Councillor Wilson to enquire.
- 3/21/14** **Date of next Ordinary Meeting: Monday May 10th, 2021 at 7.30pm.**

Meeting closed: 8.31pm