

MILNTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the normal monthly meeting of Milnthorpe Parish Council held on Monday 15th May 2023. The meeting was held in the Church Hall on Haverflatts Lane and commenced at 7.00pm

Present: Cllrs Steven Hurst (Chair), Roger Bingham, Peter Capasso, Pete Hill (Vice Chair), Julie Mulinga & Jim Robson. Paul Blackburn (Clerk) and D Cllr R Audland

1. Apologies for Absence

- Cllrs Adair on holiday (accepted)
- The meeting was quorate.

2. Minutes of the meeting held on the 3rd of April 2023

- These were agreed and signed.

3. Announcements by the Chair

- A letter of thanks has been received from KEY following the PC donation.
- Wished to offer, on behalf of the Parish Council, condolences to the family Daphne Shaw who passed away recently.

4. Declaration of Interest by Members on items on the agenda

- None

5. Public Participation

5.1 Westmorland & Furness Council

Cllr Audland

- Many potholes around the village have now been repaired. Concern was expressed about the quality of previous work, hopefully this will be improved under the new Council.
- The traffic problems along Park Road are to be investigated by a locality board of the new Council.
- Cllr Audland sits on the following boards – Planning, Locality, Licencing
- Cllr Chaffey sits on the Planning Board and is Chair of the Locality Board

5.2 Electors

- 1 member of the public raised concerns about the state of the grass on the PC land around Harmony Hill. An email had also been received by the Clerk about the same issue. It was stated that the mower had broken down and was currently in the process of being repaired. The Council members were in agreement with the concern and stated that if the mower is not repaired within a reasonable time an alternative solution would be found.
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6. Matters arising from the minutes of the meeting on 3rd April 2023.

6.1 Plaque Project (6.1)

- The plaque for the Green has been received and will be fixed appropriately on the Green.
- It was agreed that a second plaque could be ordered for Rigney House

6.2 Coronation (6.2)

- The Chair stated this had been a great success.
- Thanks were given to Lakes Loos, Craig Harvy (Kites) and Travis Perkins who gave their services free of charge.
- Thanks were also given to The Memorial Hall, The Lodge and the Parish Council for the funding they had provided.
- Thanks to Roger Bingham for arranging the well-attended walk round the village.
- Thanks to all others who helped make the day special and memorable.

6.3 Toilets (7.1)

- Nothing to update.

6.4 Pony Field (7.2)

- In her absence Cllr Adair sent an update via the Chair.
- The original Waller has let the tenant down and an alternative quote received was considered too high.
- A new fence is to be erected and the PC, as the landowner, resolved to make a contribution of £600 to the cost.

6.5 Corinthians Grant from Sport England (7.2)

- All is in order with the agreement to be signed by the Chair and the Clerk. This will be done this week and work can then commence.

7. New matters for consideration

- None

8. Planning Matters:

8.1 New Planning applications and SLDC decisions received.

- One received. There were no objections.

8.2 Any related matters

- Cllr mentioned that he had looked at the new papers for the Beetham Road planning application and thought that a new road from the north to the south of the development had been included. He was concerned that this would become a 'rat run'. He will investigate and provide feedback

9. Financial Matters

9.1 Report on bank receipts, payments and closing balances.

Receipts – April 2023

Market Trader Rent - £1,299.10
W&F Precept (1st Half) - £18,009.37
Parking Discs, McColls - £35.00
VAT Refund, HMRC - £2,783.61
Total - £22,127.08

Payments – April 2023

Toilet Maintenance, Healthmatic, £700.70 (VAT - £116.78)
Fuel, UK Fuels Ltd, £1.20 (£0.20)
Payroll, Staff, Pension and HRMC, £1,640.79
Plaque, Leander Architectural - £1,155.00 (£192.50)
Market Electricity Pillar 3, Eon, £12.79 (£0.61)
Market Electricity Pillar 1, Eon, £122.92 (£5.85)
Clerk Expenses, Clerk, £149.53 (£24.93)
Toilet Water, Water Plus, £70.95
Bank Account Service Charge, £5.00
Coronation Grant, Coronation Committee, £2,000.00
KEY Charity Grant, KEY - £1,000
Council Tax, W&F - £58.80
CALC Membership, CALC - £382.43
Total - £7,300.11 (£340.87)

Bank Balances at Month end

Current Account - £33,981.40, Deposit Account - £42,142.83
Total - £76,124.23

All payments were **APPROVED** and balances reconciled.

9.2 2022/23 AGAR

- This was presented and agreed. Signed by Chair

9.3 Any other Financial Matters

- VAT return submitted and refund received.
- Further CIL money received of £5,000 (in May returns)

10. Market Report September 2022

- Rent received of £1299.10.
- Parking disc payments received of £35.00.
- Nat West have paid for the next 12 months

11. To consider matters from around the Parish.

- Cllr Hurst mentioned that the tree work had been completed.

12. To receive notice of items to be included on the agenda of the next meeting.

- Village Maintenance
- Use of Playing Field

13. Date of next scheduled meeting

- Monday 5th June 2023. This will take place at the Church Hall on Haverflatts Lane and commence at 7pm.

The meeting closed at 20:22

Paul Blackburn

Clerk

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