

## SEDGWICK PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on Wednesday 9 November 2016 Venue Sedgwick Village Hall at 7:30pm

**Present:** Cllr R Gill (Vice Chairman), Cllr D Willacy, Cllr J Stoker, Cllr G Willacy, Cllr J Oscroft  
Mrs S Roberts (Parish Clerk), District Cllr Eccles, County Cllr Gray and one member of the public.

#### 91/16 Apologies

It was resolved for apologies with reasons given to be noted from Cllr B Holmes and PCSO Boaks.

#### 92/16 Minutes

It was resolved for the Vice Chairperson to sign the minutes of the meeting held on 12 October 2016 as a true record.

#### 93/16 Declarations of Interest / Dispensation Requests: None

#### 94/16 Public Participation

Police Report: In Sedgwick Area: No crimes were reported in the Area. A note of Community Interests where reported these will be displayed on the Noticeboard

District Cllr S Eccles –

Cllr Eccles was awaiting a reply from SLDC before she could confirm if the property recently sold 'Millers Beck' could have a change of use, possible to rehome children from the Blackpool area.

County Cllr B Gray – SLDC had agreed on raising the council tax to 1.9% to meet the demands of South Lakeland. Also, all the area grit bins had been replenished in the Village.

Members of the Village – Several questions were raised about the Canal Project, the condition of the canal, time scale and cost. The removal of the wood was hoping to commence shortly; the machinery had broken down and a part was needed before the equipment was working again. The bad weather had hindered this project. Phase 1 (a) had been completed but until the wood was moved phase 1(b) could not start. Council was told this would be finished by April 2017. Payment had been agreed to pay in stages only one payment had been made.

#### 95/16 Planning: - None

#### 96/16 Flood Action

**SLDC Communication:** Chairperson has once again had no reply from Mr Hosking regarding his promised action to arrange a meeting to discuss the drainage issues along Back Lane. District Cllr Gray agreed to arrange a meeting with Mr Hosking and Chairperson, this information would be emailed to the Parish Clerk.

An invitation was received from SLDC about the LAP Flooding Event which would be taking place on Thursday 24 November. Cllr D Willacy agreed to attend the meeting

#### 97/16 Highways/Footpaths

**Road Repairs:** Clerk updated Council on the progress of the present repairs.

**Further repairs:** Potholes along Natland Road to Carex Farm, would be reported

#### 98/16 Playground /Millennium Field

- The monthly playground inspection report had been completed by Cllr G Willacy in October with nothing to report.
- Safety Inspection Actions: Floor covering under the swing, has been repaired by Cllr G Willacy, but this was not satisfactory. It was agreed for Cllr G Willacy to obtain quotes to replace the area with new matting.  
Cllr Holmes still awaiting quotes for the signs, update at the next meeting
- Picnic tables require cleaning and staining – work completed by Cllrs D Willacy and J Stoker.
- Compost area - cleared.

- It was agreed for Cllr G Willacy to obtain further quotes for a small slide with matted area for the slide and further matting for the basketball area. Council intended to apply for funding next year to complete this work.

#### **99/16 Canal**

- 1) Cllr D Willacy report was covered earlier in the meeting under Public Participation.
- 2) Cllr D Willacy & J Stoker had completed the task of fitting a hand rail along the canal path. Council wish to thank them for completing this task.

#### **100/16 Sedgwick Village Hall**

- BT postponed installing broadband in the Village Hall until 16 December. Work had recently been carried out by laying a line underground to the Village Hall and Cllr D Willacy had been available to ensure no other utilities were effected whilst work was carried out. Cllr R Gill agreed to check the broadband was installed correctly after the installation day.
- Cllr D Willacy informed Council that he had stepped down as Chairman for the Village Hall. Until someone took up post the Chair would rotate between committee members.

#### **101/16 Councillors Funding for the Village Requirements**

Councillors agreed to next year look at sourcing funding for the Millennium Field Maintenance, Canal Project phase 2, should they decide to proceed with phase 2, Transparency Funding and funding for the cost of the Village Maintenance Repairs.

**102/16 Newsletter:** Cllr Holmes had forwarded the newsletter, that was approved and agreed to be sent to the printers for 220 copies by the Parish Clerk.

#### **103/16 Budget Meeting: Set Precept for 2017/18**

The draft Budget was discussed by Council and it was agreed to set the precept at the next meeting in January.

#### **104/16 Finance**

- a) It was noted the bank statement as of 31<sup>st</sup> October was £20,352.49
- b) Receipt: Correspondence was received from SLDC £250 although funds were not in the account as 31/10/16
- c) Payments :S Roberts- salary/expenses £1277.00, P Airey - removal grass cuttings £35.00, Cllr D C Willacy - materials work carried out on the Millennium Field & hand rail on Canal Path £68.00, S Roberts - computer software repair £60.00, Printing Plus – Newsletters £ and Continental Landscapes Ltd - grass cutting 2016 £1416.00
- d) Payments submitted last month and approved have cleared the bank statement and signed off by Vice Chairperson.

#### **105/16 Correspondence:**

**Parish Council Engagement with the NWCCP Project:** Postponed  
Several letters received and correspondences discussed.

**CALC Annual Report:** received and noted

**Funding Appeal from Bampton:** received and Councillor's wished to receive the email with the information.

**Recycling Solutions:** received and consideration was no site available in the village

**Invite to Rodent Control Course 10<sup>th</sup> January 2017:** received and noted

**British Red Cross: Open Garden Appeal 2017:** It was agreed to display the information on the Notice Board and raise the request at Councils APM in March.

**Invite to Grange & Cartmel Local Area Partnership Meeting Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November:**  
Received and noted

**106/16 Items for consideration for a future agenda**

- Canal – Update on Phase 1 and consideration of funding for Phase 2 of the Canal Management Plan
- Councils Budget
- PCSO Report
- Transparency Funding
- Village Hall update
- Emergency Plan

**107/16 Date of next meeting**

It was confirmed that the next meeting on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January will commence at 7.30pm and will be held in the Sedgwick Village Hall. Cllr B Holmes will chair the meeting.

*The meeting closed at 8:40 pm*

Signed: ..... (Chairperson)  
Date: 11 January 2017