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**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 16 December 2010
at 7.30 pm in the Memorial Hall, Burton-in-Kendal**

PRESENT. Cllrs P Rogers,(Chairman), J Brown, R Boddy, J Hopwood, I Hunt, G Isherwood, M Taylor, A Wren, and Parish Clerk P Smith. District and County Cllr R Bingham and District Cllr B Cooper were in attendance.

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE. One member of the public was present.

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.** Apologies from Cllr F Mason-Hornby were accepted.
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.** None declared.
3. **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 18 NOVEMBER 2010.** The minutes of the meeting held on 18 November 2010 were unanimously agreed and signed by the Chairman.

4. **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

(ACTION)

- a. New grit bins have been put on St James Drive, Glebe Close, Boon Town and Burton Park. Residents are asked to use the grit sparingly and to call the Highways Hotline (or the Parish Clerk) when the bins need refilling.
- b. The new A2B NoW travel card for young people is being introduced giving a flat rate of £1 for single bus journeys and £1.80 for returns throughout South Lakeland and for journeys to Lancaster, Penrith, Keswick, Barrow and Kirkby Stephen. Applications forms are in the libraries.
- c. The Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government has written to all councils to ensure that local community events are not discouraged by too much bureaucracy.
- d. The new Register of Electors has been published and may be viewed at SLDC.
- e. Tim Farron MP had written to the Council asking for local contacts who could help communicate the requirements for and raise the awareness of the high-speed broadband pilot scheme in South Lakeland. The Council agreed that Anne Nichols should be asked to be involved on behalf of residents.

5. **OPEN FORUM.**

- a. PCSO Jessica Bullock gave her apologies. In her written report she noted that there had been no crime since her previous report. There have been a few cannabis warnings and some people charged with possession when routine vehicle stop checks have been carried out at Burton services. It was agreed that the Police would be reminded of the request for follow-up reports on previously reported incidents.
- b. A member of the public reported that, once or twice a year, Slape Lane became a muddy mess after a downpour as a result of soil erosion. He made suggestions for clearing the soil soon after a major downpour has caused the problem. County Councillor Bingham volunteered to report the suggestions to the County Council who have responsibility for maintaining bridleways.

6. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS.**

- a. Applications granted: **SL/2007/0963** Extension of time condition on planning permission for the conversion of Croft House Barn to a dwelling.
- b. Applications refused: None
- c. Applications received: None

7. **FINANCE.** The Council received the Income and Expenditure Account and bank balances as at 16 Dec 10:

Income to date	£14895.79	Bank of Ireland	£20.09
Expenditure to date	£8051.78	NatWest Current	£2781.87
Difference	£6844.01	NatWest Savings	£11552.41
Bank Balance at 1/04/10	£6462.24	Less cheques etc	-£1048.12
Carried forward	£13306.25	Carried Forward	£13306.25

8. **LANCASTER CANAL TRUST.** It was resolved to renew the Council's affiliate membership of the Lancaster Canal Trust.

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9. ACCOUNTS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT AND CHEQUES SIGNED. (PS)

a.	Lengthsman's contract and expenses 1 Nov to 30 Nov.	£213.68
b.	Clerk's salary 1 Dec to 31 Dec 10.	£200.26
c.	HMRC Clerk's PAYE.	£150.18
d.	(aq) Ltd for two year domain name registration.	£129.25
e.	Lancaster Canal Trust.	£8.00

10. PAYMENT OF EXPENSES TO VOLUNTEERS. It was resolved to recompense volunteers, including councillors, who use their vehicles to assist in treating and clearing the roads of snow and ice, in respect of all reasonable expenses.

11. CALENDAR OF COUNCIL MEETINGS 2011/12. It was resolved to adopt the calendar of council meetings for the year April 2011 to March 2012. The calendar would be displayed on notice boards and on the website. (PS)

12. COUNTY COUNCIL AND DISTRICT COUNCIL CONSULTATIONS. It was agreed that councillors would respond individually to the consultations if they wished. The newsletter invites residents to copy their comments to the clerk. If a coherent village view can be developed from these inputs the clerk will draft a response for consideration at the next meeting. (PS)

13. TO AGREE ARRANGEMENTS FOR RESPONDING TO LDF LAND ALLOCATIONS DOCUMENT. It was noted that the newsletter will invite residents to respond to the consultation and copy their comments to the clerk. It was agreed that comments from residents received by the clerk, as well as the comments of councillors, would be collated into a draft response by the clerk. This response would be made available for comment by the public before consideration at the meeting in March. Councillors with a prejudicial interest would be free to contribute to the consultation and also to speak as a member of the public at council meetings where the public were allowed to speak. (All)

14. COUNCILLORS REPORT ON PARISH PLAN ITEMS AND ADD NEW ITEMS TO THE PLAN. The status of current items was reported:

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| a. | Design Statement: Parish Council version to be prepared and published. | (JH,FM-H) |
| b. | Road Safety Improvements: Road markings would be done during a dry weather. | (FM-H) |
| c. | Signage: Nothing new to report. | (PR) |
| d. | Emergency Plan: Grit has been delivered and bagged. | (PR) |
| e. | Facilities for Young People: Nothing new to report. | (AW) |
| f. | Car Parking: Survey under consideration. | (JB,GI,AW) |

15. LENGTHSMAN'S LOG OF PLAYGROUND INSPECTION AND REPORTS FROM PARISH AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS.

- a. The playground log was inspected. The roundabout seats have been repaired by Cllr Wren and no further problems have been reported.
- b. Cllr P Rogers reported that:
- Thanks were due to Cllr M Taylor and Mr R Healey for gritting the side roads and pavements during the earlier cold spell.
 - Thanks were also due to Mrs Lawson for supplying the Christmas trees for the Memorial Hall and to Cllr A Wren for erecting the Christmas trees and lights. (PS)
 - The 30mph sign at the top of Vicarage Lane had been knocked over. It would be re-erected by Cllr Rogers and the Lengthsman.
 - It was agreed that the Lengthsman could be asked to do more jobs around the village. Residents would be reminded of the suggestions book held in the Village Store and councillors were encouraged to suggest ideas to Cllr Rogers. (All)
- c. Cllr A Wren noted that the gully pots needed emptying. The Clerk would request this. (PS)
- d. Cllr R Boddy reported that:
- He was concerned at the spread of wind-farm developments in the area and that councillors and residents be encouraged to monitor these closely.
 - He had attended an interesting neighbourhood forum meeting at Heversham and felt that there would be value in combining the Neighbourhood Forum and the Local Area Partnership.
- e. Cllr J Hopwood reported that although the grit bins had been filled, the grit hips on the lanes were in need of replacement. The Clerk would request this. (PS)

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- f. Cllr J Brown reported that:
- i. He had attended the Memorial Hall management meeting and had raised the suggestion of a plastics recycling container. This was not supported, in part, because it was not certain that space would be available.
 - ii. Solar powered Speed Indicator Displays similar to the one at Endmore be considered for the approaches to the village. It was agreed to consider this at the next meeting. The Clerk would obtain some costings. **(PS)**
- g. Cllr Hunt asked who should have responsibility for initiating gritting of side roads and pavements. It was agreed that this would be delegated to Cllr M Taylor.

16. **TO NOTE COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED.** The communications listed below were noted. No further actions were ordered.

17. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING.** The next meeting will take place on Thursday 20 January 2011 at 7:30pm in the Memorial Hall.

The Meeting Closed at 8:55pm

SCHEDULE OF COMMUNICATIONS TO 11 DECEMBER 2010 **Significant communications not otherwise on the Agenda**

1. **By e-mail forwarded to Councillors:**
 - a. LDF Land Allocations Document.
 - b. New Arrangements for Highways Reactive Management.
 - c. Comments by Mr Brown on highways maintenance.
 - d. Parish Grit salt supplies.
 - e. Proposed wind farm comments from Landscape First.
 - f. SLDC and CCC budget consultations.
 - g. Government policy on street celebrations.
2. **In circulation folder:**
 - a. A2B NoW travel card for young people.
 - b. SLDC and CCC Budget consultations.
 - c. LDF Land Allocations maps.
 - d. University Hospitals of Morecambe Bay newsletter for members.

GLOSSARY OF ABBREVIATIONS

ALSF	Aggregates Levy Sustainability Fund
CALC	Cumbria Association of Local Councils
CCC	Cumbria County Council
CIEP	Cumbria Improvement and Efficiency Partnership
LAP	Local area Partnership
LDF	Local Development Framework
NALC	National Association of Local Councils
PCSO	Police Community Support Officer
SLDC	South Lakeland District Council

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