

BAMPTON PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON JULY 21st 2015

Present

Mr Carruthers (in the chair), Mrs Hall, Mr Jones, Mr Stones, Mrs Leckie
Mrs Drinkwater (Clerk), Mr MacInnes (LDNPA parishes' representative)
1 parishioner.

91.1 Apologies for absence.

Mr Hughes – holiday

Mr Bruin – holiday

Mr Slee (EDC councillor) – attending another meeting.

91.2 Declarations of interest in agenda items.

None were made.

91.3 Minutes of the meetings held on May 19th

Having been circulated the minutes were taken as read. They were approved as a correct record and signed as such by Mr Carruthers.

91.4 Public comments and concerns.

None were raised.

91.5 EDC , CCC and LPNPA reports

CCC and EDC councillors were not present.

Mr Carruthers took the Local Delivery of Services under the Localism Act to study – sent by Mr Slee.

Mr MacInnes introduced himself as the newly elected Lakes parishes representative to the LDNPA. He mentioned the Eastern Distinctive Area tour that would take place in September and said that the Tour of Britain would be taking place in the area. Community Fund money is still available for grants.

Mr MacInnes was thanked and left the meeting.

91.6 Finance.

Bank balances at 30/6/15	Current account	7837.11
	Business reserve	1001.17

All cheques from the May meeting cleared.

0.08 interest credited to Business reserve account and 40.00 for web-site advertisement (Woodworks) paid in to the current account.

To be paid;- Clerk's salary (2 nd 1/4)	325.00
CALC course	29.50
	354.50

Payments were authorised and the cheques signed by Mr Carruthers and Mrs Hall.

The Clerk reported that the audit forms had been submitted to the external auditor.

b) New bank mandates.

It was resolved that the authorised signatories should be changed in accordance with section 6 of the changes form and the current mandate would continue as amended.

The necessary form was given to Mrs Leckie for completion.

91.7 Fallen branches on roadside verges.

Mr Carruthers reported that the branches concerned had been removed by Mr Campbell.

91.8 Planning.

New application;- 7/2015/3087 Carhullan. Renovation of barn to create workshop and art studio.

This was discussed and there were no objections to the actual work but concerns over the footpath that passes by. The Clerk would pass the concerns on to LDNPA.

91.9 Updates.

a) Lowther river bank.

Mr Carruthers reported on this very complicated matter. Eden Rivers Trust will carry out some temporary repairs but will hold public meetings in the future to discuss their wider plans. Other agencies are also involved.

b) Web- site.

Statistics of use had been sent by Mr Cant and forwarded to councillors. Financial reports had been sent by the Clerk in accordance with the Transparency Code.

c) Dog fouling.

Nothing to report about action to prevent.

It was said that Mr Milne had had some problems when strimming around the village.

The matter would be mentioned in the next newsletter and Mr Stones would get some flyers from EDC and put them into copies of The Herald distributed by the Village Stores

91.10 Maintenance of seats and notice boards.

There was no discussion of seats.

It was agreed that the notice board outside the Memorial Hall was not in very good condition and that the Hall Committee should be asked to repair it again.

It was suggested that the board at the cemetery should be moved to the church as it is not much used in its present location. Mr Carruthers would inspect that board and the one at the church and report at the next meeting.

91.11 Maintenance of the willow tunnel in the playground.

It was reported that some work had already been carried out by the toddler group.

91.12 Councillors' concerns.

Potholes at Grange Bridge. Mr Carruthers had met with Andrew Fox (Lowther estates agent) and John Banks (CCC Highways) at the site and it had been agreed that something needed to be done.

Emergency First Aid course. Christine Hill (First Responders) is arranging another course in emergency first aid for representatives of village organisations. Mr Carruthers and Mr Stones volunteered to attend and the council agreed to pay their fee of £45 each.

Broadband. Speed is very slow and there were queries about when high speed broadband is to be brought to the parish. The Clerk would contact Mr Slee for information.

Millennium footpath hedge. Mr Stones was concerned about visibility when turning out of the parking field. Mr Carruthers agreed to talk to Mr Milne about cutting the hedge lower at this point or removing some of it. Mr Stones was also concerned about the recycling centre as he felt that the bins were not emptied frequently enough meaning that rubbish was often left lying around especially when the hall had been let for several days. It was suggested that a large lockable bin should be rented or purchased for use by people who stay in the hall and Mr Stones would enquire about costs. The Clerk would contact Mr Garside, Hall Committee chairman and put this suggestion to him as the Hall Committee is responsible for the recycling centre.

It was also reported that metal and other non-compostable items are being put into the green skip and there is fly tipping being done. The Hall Committee is considering putting up CCTV cameras but it is a very difficult matter to deal with.

Burnbanks road end triangle. It was reported that the Keep Left sign was missing. Highways would be informed.

Burnbanks road, north of Thornthwaite Hall. Overhanging trees were causing problems. Mr Carruthers would make enquiries regarding the ownership of the area concerned.

91.13 Kendal Calling.

The Clerk informed councillors that the Whale road would be one-way southbound only from the Askham end to Whale on July 30th and 31st for access to the Kendal Calling event. It would be back to normal on August 1st.

91.14 Items for next agenda.

Notice boards.

Bin for the Hall.

91.15 Date of next meeting.

Tuesday September 22nd.

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 9.10pm.