

BAMPTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 17th **2013**

Present

Mrs. Hall (in the chair), Mr. Bruin, Mr. Carruthers, Mr. Campbell,
Mrs. Drinkwater (Clerk)
Mrs. Cooke (LDNPA parishes rep.) Mr. Slee (EDC), Mrs. White, Mrs.
Barber (parishioners), Mr Cant

78.1 Apologies for absence

Mrs. Wright was on holiday.
Mr. Hughes apologised for late arrival.
Mr. Stones was at work.

78.2 Declarations of interest in agenda items.

None were made.

78.3 Minutes of meeting held on July 23rd.

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

78.4 public comments and concerns.

Mrs. White reported that there had been recent vandalism at the Memorial Hall with lights damaged and paint thrown. She was referred to the Police.

Mrs. Cooke reminded councillors of the Distinctive Area tour to take place in October and said that there was still funding available through the Community Fund for projects.

Mrs. Hall reported complaints from some parishioners about overgrown verges along the Bampton Grange to Rosgill Head road. Mr. Carruthers said that verges and hedges would be trimmed in October.

78.5 EDC and CCC reports.

Mr. Slee said that a survey of suggested waste bin sites had been carried out by EDC and the results had been circulated for any comments.

Mr. Hughes was not present to give a report from CCC.

78.6 Finance

Bank balances at 30/8/13 Current account 5734.38
 Reserve account 1000.17

Paid in 60.00 from Memorial Hall, return of excess wine from APM 2012
- not included in bank statement.

To be paid;- Clerk's salary 406.25 (incl. 100.00 lost last year)
 C. Cant (website) 105.00

Payments were authorised and cheques signed by Mrs. Hall and Mr. Bruin.

The Clerk reported that the external audit had been successfully completed with no matters of concern noted.

b) Application for grant from Bomby Green committee.

Mrs. Hall signed the interests book as a member of the committee.

Mr. Hughes arrived.

The committee had requested a grant to cover the cost of a brush cutter to deal with grass and shrubby growth and there was some discussion about the suitability of the machine concerned. It was agreed that the BG committee should be asked to re-think their requirements and submit a detailed grant application later.

78.5 CCC report.

Having arrived, Mr. Hughes gave his report.

He said that Bampton had the worst lengths of road in Eden but that they would be included on the latest work programme. The

Bampton/Burnbanks road had been included in the gritting schedule.

Highway Stewards were being brought back as local contacts.

Salt would be provided again as and when necessary.

78.7 Affordable housing.

Mrs. Hall reported that a meeting had been held during the summer and that another one would be held in October. Mr. Lloyd and Mrs Garside were trying to recruit some younger people as it was felt that the project could fail without their input. Mrs. Hall had had information from CRHT and Mr. Hughes said that someone from there would be willing to attend a meeting and give advice.

Mrs. Cooke said that LDNPA officer Andrew Smith would be willing to come and help to look for suitable sites for housing.

There would be a further report at the next meeting.

78.8 Web-site.

Mr. Cant gave an update. He had now received all the relevant information from Mr. Aylmer. Contact from for information would be forwarded to the Clerk. It had been said that advertisements would be handled by Christine Knight but Mr Cant had no knowledge of this. Mrs. Hall would contact Ms Knight and try to clarify the situation. There was some discussion about the purpose of the web-site and whether Facebook would be more appropriate and useful but it was agreed that the web-site should remain for the immediate future.

Mr. Cant was thanked and he left the meeting.

78.9 Planning application

7/2013/3077 Naddlegate West, extension and garage/ workshop.

It was agreed that in future only controversial applications would be circulated for councillors to comment. The Chairman and Clerk would deal with applications as had been agreed in the past.

Mrs. Cooke said that comments from councils are taken seriously by LDNPA planners and that plans can be viewed on line. Planning officers are ready to attend council meetings to discuss any plans or give advice and there are regular public planning consultation meetings held.

78.10 Notification of large events.

Following complaints about a large scout camp that had been held on the Recreation Field without notice to the PC or village there was some discussion about what should be done in the future. A letter received from Mr. Ward (chairman of the Recreation Field group) had been forwarded to councillors. Councillors agreed that there was nothing much that could be done but that the purpose of the Parish Diary was to avoid clashing of dates and to give notice of events. It was recommended that the PC should be informed in future of events that have been planned.

There would be an update about the scout camp from the Recreation Field group at a future meeting.

78.11 Updates on green waste skip and litter bins.

a) Green waste skip.

Mr Carruthers had spoken to Mr Hoyle about the possibility of him providing a skip between the visits of the EDC skip but Mr Hoyle was not willing to provide a service on that basis. There was discussion of suggestions that a different skip could be hired on an ad hoc basis or that a village composting scheme could be set up. No conclusions were reached.

Mr. Slee would follow up with EDC regarding the provision of green waste bins for individual households.

b) Litter bins.

Already covered in 78.5

78.12 Councillors' concerns and comments.

Mr. Hughes, as CCC councillor, said that he had funds available from CCC for projects.

Mr. Carruthers asked that Mr. Milne be contacted and reminded that he offered to tidy up the playground grass. The Clerk would contact him and also ask him to remove the grass cuttings.

Mr. Slee left the meeting. He was thanked by Mrs Hall.

It was agreed that old minute books etc, should be deposited in the Kendal Archives.

78.13 Items for next agenda.

½ yearly financial report.

Affordable housing

Brush cutter for Bomby Green committee.

78.14 Date of next meeting

Tuesday November 19th.

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 9.00 pm.