

RAVENSTONEDALE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting held on Thursday 9th November 2006 in Ravenstonedale Endowed School

Present Councillor John Bull (Chairman) Councillors Caroline Morris, Ernest Leach, Fanny Jackson, Hilary Mirrey, Paul Capstick and Janet Brownrigg.
Clerk, Chris Elphick.

Apologies for absence were received from District Councillor Michael Metcalfe-Gibson.

Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of personal or prejudicial interest in any item on this agenda.

Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 12th October 2006 had been circulated and were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

Children's Playgrounds

Resolved that the terms of a lease on land at Newbiggin-on-Lune to be used as a children's play area be approved. The lease was signed by John Bull and Caroline Morris on behalf of the Council.

Resolved that the fees in respect of the lease, for the Landlord's Agent and Solicitor of £525 and £500 plus vat respectively, be approved.

Resolved that the quotation from Eden Conservation for the erection of stock-proof fencing round the site, creation of access ramp and installation of stile for the sum of £2,548 plus vat be accepted.

A Variety Show in aid of the Playground Fund will be held in Newbiggin-on-Lune Public Hall on Saturday 16th December.

Finance

Accounts paid prior to meeting

Sedbergh Office Services (Newsletter)	£ 24.60
CALC (Chairman's training course)	£ 25.00
Viking Direct (Computer supplies)	£ 46.08

Resolved that the foregoing three payments be approved.

Ravenstonedale High Chapel

A Public Meeting will be held in High Chapel Room on 23rd November at 7.30 pm to ascertain the views of residents on whether it is desirable to acquire the building for community use.

Anti-Social Behaviour in Ravenstonedale

The Clerk read a letter received from 2 Castles Housing Association in response to the Council's letter which passed on complaints received from neighbours of the Association's Dickie Green Cottages.

Resolved that no further action be taken by the Council in this matter.

Parish Council Precept for 2007-2008

This item was deferred until the next meeting of the Parish Council.

Upper Eden Community Plan

It was reported that analysis of the questionnaire responses is expected to be available in January 2007.

Planning Applications

No. 06/0782 REVISED SCHEME, REPRESENTING THE REDESIGN OF BARN 2 UNDER REF. 91/0881, TO INCLUDE EXTENSION TO APPROVED RESIDENTIAL CURTILEGE

Type Full Application
Location Row Foot Farm, Ravenstonedale
Applicant Ms M White
Parish Council No objections.

Kirkby Stephen Community & Council Centre

A request had been received from Kirkby Stephen for a contribution towards the running costs of the Community & Council Centre, which also serves the adjoining parishes.

Resolved that the sum of £50 be awarded.

ECVS Funding Fair – Shap

It was reported that Cllr Morris and the Clerk had attended a Funding Fair at Shap Memorial Hall. It was felt that useful contacts with potential funders for council projects had been established.

A685 Highway Safety

Another serious accident had occurred near the Ravenstonedale East junction with the A685. Clerk to contact the Police and Highway Authority requesting implementation of safety measures.

Quarterly Newsletter

Comments had been invited on the content, format, distribution, etc. of the current newsletter. No comments were forthcoming.

Link to Strong and Prosperous Communities – Local Government White Paper

A synopsis of the new White Paper had been received on the day of this meeting. Comment on the content was deferred to a future meeting.

Draft Cumbria Wind Energy Supplementary Planning Document

Comments had been invited by Cumbria County Council on its draft Wind Energy Supplementary Planning Document. Comment Forms were distributed to Members.

Public Participation

There were no contributions from members of the public

Correspondence received

CALC – County Circular October 2006
CCC Community Transport Information
Local Council Review
Clerks & Councils Direct
ASHTAV – Newsletter
Open Space – magazine
Highways Agency – Roadworks Information.
Cumbria Cultural Identity & Heritage Conference – Rheged, Saturday 2nd December
Appleby New Fair Joint Committee – Notice of meeting Tuesday 14th November

The foregoing items of correspondence were noted or circulated as appropriate

Date of next meeting: Thursday 11th January 2007

Signed _____ Chairman

Date 11th January 2007