RAVENSTONEDALE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Thursday 10th May in Newbiggin-on-Lune Village Hall

Present Councillor John Bull (Chairman) Councillors Caroline Morris, Ernest Leach,

Hilary Mirrey, Paul Capstick and Alison Morriss.

County Councillor Tim Stoddard

Clerk, Chris Elphick.

Declarations of Interest

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

Election of Chairman for the year 2007-2008

John Bull was nominated and elected unanimously.

Election of Vice-Chairman for the year 2007-2008

Caroline Morris was nominated and elected unanimously.

The Chairman and Vice-chairman signed Declarations of Acceptance of Office.

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr. David Richardson, District Councillor George Boustead & Internal Auditor, Michael Metcalfe-Gibson

Minutes of Meeting held on Thursday 20th April 2006 had been circulated and were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

Children's Playgrounds

It was reported that instructions had been given to the contractors to commence work on the beckside wall at the Scandal Beck site. Funding decisions are expected during this month from Awards for All for N-o-L and Breathing Places for Scandal Beck.

Finance

EDC Precept	£10,615.00	
Accounts for Payment Grant – St Oswald's Churchyard Grant – N-o-L Public Hall ASHTAV Subscription Open Spaces Society Subscription CPFA Subscription	£ 500.00 £ 500.00 £ 15.00 £ 30.00 £ 15.00	

The draft Statement of Accounts for 2006-2007 which had been circulated at the Annual Parish Meeting had been approved by the Internal Auditor. It was **resolved** that the Statement of Accounts be approved.

Ravenstonedale High Chapel

No further action had been taken since the Annual Parish Meeting except for further information gathering.

A meeting of the advisory committee was scheduled for Friday 8th June when a draft business plan and costings will be presented.

Upper Eden Community Plan

Councillors Hilary Mirrey and Caroline Morris outlined their works on the UECP subcommittees covering all aspects of service provision for the area including the police, fire and ambulance, affordable housing (particularly in the villages) transport, etc. Conclusions reached by the UECP will be relayed to the appropriate authorities. Alison Morriss offered to print the survey results on an extra wide computer printer to facilitate analysis. Clerk to send spreadsheet.

Ravenstonedale Garden Waste Skip

Eden District Council has discontinued provision of the fortnightly garden waste skip service as a cost-cutting measure. A private contractor, Eden Recycling, has offered to provide a similar service at no cost to the parish council.

Resolved that Eden Recycling be asked to provide the service.

Compost Bins, Bargain Offer.

Appleby New Fair

Report of meeting March 27th 2007 was noted. There will be similar provision of drinking water, toilets and waste skip facilities on Cote Moor as last year. Cumbria police will have a mobile office on site every day.

Proposal for Unitary Cumbria

A letter from Eden District Council regarding its response to the County Council's submission for unitary control had been circulated with the agenda for this meeting. Cllr Stoddard gave a comprehensive explanation and justification of the County's bid for unitary status.

Planning

No. 07/0113 ERECTION OF A BIRD HIDE OVERLOOKING NATURE RESERVE

Type **Full Application**

The Fat Lamb, Crossbank, Ravenstonedale

Applicant East Cumbria Countryside Project

Parish Council No objections **GRANTED**

Public Participation

There were no contributions from members of the public

Correspondence received

CALC - County Circular May 2007

CALC - Training Sessions - Dates & Venues

Clerks & Councils Direct

Local Council Review

Cumbria Funding Links - May 2007

FoLD – Accounts & notice of "Mystery Tour" 2nd June

Standards Board for England – New Model Code from 3rd May 2007 – CALC training.

Cumbria Housing Trust Update April 2007

ASHTAV - Cancellation of May seminar, Lancaster

LA21 – Water Butt Kits @£20.00 – normally £39.95

International Centre for the Uplands – Sense of Place Project – Heritage initiatives

Open Spaces Society – Saving Commons from Clutter

Quality Councils Network – proposed North-West branch

RoSPA International Play Safety Conference, Loughborough, 14th June 2007

Cumbria Rural Enterprise Agency – Notice

CCC - Bus Timetables Service 564 - Brough - Kirkby Stephen - Sedbergh - Kendal The foregoing items of correspondence were noted or circulated as appropriate.

Signed	Chairman	Date 14 th	June 2007
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