

RAVENSTONEDALE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting held on Thursday 10th January 2008 in Newbiggin-on-Lune Public Hall

Present Councillor John Bull (Chairman) Councillors, Alison Morriss, Hilary Law, Ernest Leach and Caroline Morris.
Clerk, Chris Elphick.
County Councillor Tim Stoddard

Declarations of Interest

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

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr James Richardson and District Councillor George Boustead

Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 8th November 2007 had been circulated and were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

Children's Playgrounds

Clerk reported that Eden District Council's bid for £200,000. to the Big Lottery fund for play areas had been successful. This will enable EDC to grant £15,000 to Ravenstonedale which will be sufficient to complete the Newbiggin-on-Lune playground. The Clerk will attend a meeting of Eden District Play Partnership on Wed 16th January at 2.00pm at Frenchfields, Penrith to learn the details of distribution terms and conditions.

It was also reported that the proposed equipment for N-o-L has been approved by EDC Planning Dept. in accordance with condition 5 of the planning consent.

Upper Eden Community Plan

Draft Plan Comment Form

Finance

Sums received

CALC – Buffet reimbursement	£100.00
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Accounts for payment

C J Elphick, SLCC Subs (50%)	£ 51.00
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C J Elphick, Getting Greens Registered	£ 10.00
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C J Elphick, Newsletters	£ 43.28
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The foregoing three sums were approved for payment

New rates for parish councillors' allowances were reported.

Councillors **resolved** not to claim allowances.

Resolved that a Bank Standing Order be made for payment of rent for N-o-L play area in accordance with terms of the lease. Clerk to arrange.

Ravenstonedale High Chapel

It was again reported that the draft lease requested in June 2007 had not been received. It was noted that any activities taking place in the chapel had no connection with the Parish Council.

Eden Association of Local Councils

Chairman reported on a meeting which he had attended on 12th December 2007.
The main item was the proposed revised system of highway maintenance by Cumbria Highways.

Planning Applications

No. 07/0887	INSTAL SOLAR PANELS	
Type	Listed Building Consent	
Location	Manor House, Back Lane, Ravenstonedale	
Applicant	Mr & Mrs Morris	
Parish Council	No objections.	GRANTED.

No. 07/0924	INSTALLATION OF 1 x 0.3m DISH ANTENNA, 1 x EQUIPMENT CABIN AND A GAS BOTTLE ENCLOSURE	
Type	Full Application	
Location	Ash Fell, Ravenstonedale	
Applicant	Argiva Limited	
Parish Council	No objections.	GRANTED

Parish Paths Initiative

The parish council has registered its interest in the scheme but has yet to carry out inspection of footpaths. Cllr Morriss reported a gate missing/broken at Bowber Head – exact location to be identified.

Registration of Village Greens 2007

Further consideration was given to areas in the parish which might be registered. Clerk will find out what areas are already registered as common land.

Cumbria Highways

New Rapid Response system for highway faults
Information leaflets had been received regarding current and planned roadworks on major highways.

Kirkby Stephen Community & Council Centre

A request for funding towards running costs had been received from the Community & Council Centre.
It was **resolved** that a donation of £50.00 be made.

Oak Tree – Ravenstonedale Green

A notice had been received from Alizon Hall, arboriculturist, EDC, that a large oak tree on the green is in need of attention. Clerk had ascertained that the Green is registered in the ownership of the Hewetson Trust and informed Ms Hall accordingly.

Quality Parish Scheme

The Clerk had responded to a consultation by NALC on future development of the scheme.

Public Participation

There were no contributions from members of the public

Correspondence received

CALC – County Circular December 2007/January 2008

CCC – Cumbria Highways “Working Together”

Eden Local Strategic Partnership AGM & Community Strategy Action Planning Workshop

Local Council Review

Clerks & Councils Direct

VAC – Community Action Plans

Cumbria Highways – Working Together

Breathing Places Newsletter

SLCC 2008 Conference Programme

ASHTAV – meeting – “Adapting to Survive”

The foregoing items of correspondence were circulated or noted as appropriate

Date of next meeting: Thursday 14th February 2008

Signed _____ Chairman

Date 14th February 2008