

RAVENSTONEDALE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting held on Thursday 8th July 2010 in Ravenstonedale High Chapel Room at 7.30pm

Present Cllr Caroline Morris (Chairman) Cllrs Helen Shields, Paul Capstick, Alison Morriss, Hilary Law and Ernest Leach.
Clerk. Chris Elphick

Apologies for Absence had been received from Cllr James Richardson, County Councillor Peter Thornton, District Councillor George Boustead, PCSO, Janet Allinson and UECP Project Officer, Libby Bateman

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 10th June 2010 had been circulated and were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

Finance

Accounts paid prior to meeting

A Kirby (Grasscutting)	£681.50
Digley Associates Ltd (Playground Inspection)	£105.75

Accounts for Payment

UECP (Annual Subscription)	£260.00
ASHTAV (Subscription)	£ 15.00

It was **resolved** that the foregoing four payments be approved

It was noted that a donation of £200.00 had been made to the Ravenstonedale & Newbiggin-on-Lune Playground Committee by the Ravenstonedale PTFA.

Ravenstonedale High Chapel

Negotiations for purchase of the property continue. All sections of the draft transfer contract are deemed acceptable except one, which is to be re-drafted.

Scandal Beck Green

Funding applications are being submitted for the rebuilding of the becks side retaining wall and further play equipment.

“Our Green Space” meeting 13th July – Scandal Beck Green

The project is supported by the Heritage Lottery Fund's 'Your Heritage' grant scheme. It aims to celebrate and enhance the heritage, cultural, environmental and community value of our green spaces in Cumbria for all to enjoy.

Project Officer Shirley Muir will bring a small group of community workers to demonstrate what can be done with a neglected piece of ground within a community.

Planning Applications

No. 10/0351 GARDEN TERRACE – **WITHDRAWN**

No. 10/0354 GARDEN TERRACE (2nd REVISED PROPOSAL)

Type Full Application

Location The Chantry, Ravenstonedale

Applicant Mr & Mrs Houston

Parish Council It was felt that this second revised application had now become involved to such a degree in interpretation of planning law that councillors were not adequately qualified to make a definitive judgement.
It was **resolved** that Eden District Council, as the Planning Authority, must decide the outcome with the benefit of advice from its professional officers.

N0. 3/10/9016 PROVISION OF EXTERNAL WALLED PLAY AREA WITH A LEAN-TO SHELTER

Location Ravenstonedale Endowed School

Parish Council Support this application.

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Upper Eden Community Plan Group

Caroline Morris, Hilary Law and Chris Elphick had attended a "Working Together Conference" at Brough on 30th June. This was a good networking event with guest speakers and workshops covering Tourism Strategy for the Upper Eden area, Housing Site Identification and Renewable Energy & Insulation.

Cumbria County Council – Eden District Council – Parishes AGM 28th June

The Chairman and Clerk, attended the meeting at Great Salkeld. The main topic was the re-organisation of the very successful Highways Stewards scheme to ensure even greater efficiency. One major change will be to equip the teams with more and better facilities to ensure that a high percentage of repairs will be made to a permanent standard on the first visit to site. Former arrangements had often required two or more visits.

Proposed Ravenstonedale Parish Local History Group

Report of a meeting held in the High Chapel Room, Thursday, July 8th at 2pm

The meeting was held to assess the degree of interest & involvement there might be within the parish for a local history group and to work out from that, the way forward. Approximately fifteen people attended including Elspeth Griffiths and Diane Elphick from Sedbergh History Society. The meeting was chaired by Caroline Morris.

It is thought that an active Local History Group would be a core facility for the proposed Community and Heritage Centre to be housed in the former chapel. History is all encompassing and starts from yesterday, each person may have a particular aspect of research which interests them and this eventually will build up a rich and varied picture of the life in this parish over its long past. The prospect is an exciting one.

Following on from various queries The Parish Clerk explained the progress in purchasing the building. A 'terms of sale' document has finally been drawn up and the Council is now at the stage of negotiating the finer details. In the meantime the Parish Council has and is carrying out as much as it can in preparation for taking over the High Chapel e.g. feasibility study, structural survey etc;

An advert will be placed in the September Link to ensure that anybody who would like to be involved has the opportunity to do so.

Public Participation

There were no contributions from members of the public

Correspondence received

CALC – County Circular July/August 2010
Clerks & Councils Direct
Become a School Governor – information pack

Date of next meeting: Thursday 9th September 2010

Signed _____ Chairman

Date 9th September 2010