

RAVENSTONEDALE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 10th July 2014 in Ravenstonedale Community & Heritage Centre at 7.30pm

Present Cllr Ernest Leach (chairman) Cllrs Helen Shields, James Richardson, Hilary Law and Alex Watts-Tobin
Clerk, Chris Elphick
County Councillor Libby Bateman
District Councillor Ian Torkington
Richard Staley, Chairman, Millennium Field Committee.

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllrs Alison Morris and Paul Capstick

Declarations of Interest

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

Minutes of the Meeting held on 12th June 2014 had been circulated and were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

Fell End Broadband

It was reported that Phase One has been completed and that those properties covered are able to apply for connection.
Phases two and three will now be combined as a continuous installation and it is hoped to have the entire project completed by the end of August 2014.
Libby Bateman and Ernest Leach have taken part in an interview for BBC's Newsnight. The programme, which studies the effect of David Cameron's "Big Society", is scheduled for 18th July 2014.

Ravenstonedale Community & Heritage Centre

Application has been made to Eden District Council for Listed Building consent to install an emergency exit from the main hall on the Back Lane side.
Grants towards the cost of this work have been applied for from EDC and Cumbria County Council.
A consultation meeting with representatives of Natural England to discuss proposed tree Planting on Ravenstonedale Common will take place on 11th July 2014.
There will be a meeting of the popular ABC Club in the Community & Heritage Centre on Monday 21st July at 2.00pm. All primary school children will be welcome.

Appointment of Trustees to Ravenstonedale Educational Foundation

The parish council is entitled to appoint two representatives to the committee of the Ravenstonedale Educational Foundation. Cllrs Hilary Law and James Richardson were appointed.

Planning Applications

No. 14/0371 Proposed implements and log storage building
Location Cow Bank, Weasdale, Newbiggin-on-Lune
Parish Council No objections **GRANTED**

- No's 14/0105 & 14/0107 Conversion of redundant stone barn & 1950s rendered block shed, with current planning permission to convert to self-catering holiday accommodation (ref 05/1118) to form residential unit. Change of use of existing residential cottage to self-catering holiday letting accommodation.
- Type Full Application and Listed Building Consent
- Location Threshing Barn, Low Stennerskeugh
- Parish Council Ravenstonedale Parish Council does not object to the proposed development PROVIDED that a condition that "the complex of properties at Low Stennerskeugh remain in one single ownership in perpetuity". To prevent fragmentation and loss of character of this Listed Property in the future.
- GRANTED subject to a S106 agreement**
- No. 14/0444 Change of use from agricultural barn to stable barn and tack room (equine purposes).
- Type Full Application
- Location Street Farm, Ravenstonedale
- Applicant Ms A Roper
- Parish Council No objections
- No. 14/0409 Listed Building Consent for replacement of 16 windows and rendering works to chimney stack.
- Type Listed Building
- Location The Haven, Ravenstonedale
- Applicant Mr C Hunter
- Parish Council No objections
- No. 14/0512 Extension & refurbishment works including the conversion of a detached stone store barn to provide ancillary accommodation.
- Type Full Application
- Location Lockholme Head, Ravenstonedale
- Applicant Mr & Mrs Brown
- Parish Council No objections
- No. 14/0500 Listed building consent for creation of emergency exit
- Type Listed Building
- Location Ravenstonedale High Chapel, Community & Heritage Centre
- Applicant Mr C Elphick, Ravenstonedale Parish Council
- Parish Council Support this application for a safety facility.

Finance

It was reported that the accounts for 2013-2014 had been sent to the external auditor

Accounts Paid prior to meeting

e-on electricity	£ 62.64
A Kirby (grass)	£ 732.00

Accounts for Payment

C J Elphick (Month 4)	£ 480.00
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Footway Lighting – Ravenstonedale Parish

A meeting is to be arranged with EDC's lighting officer as soon as proposals for Ravenstonedale parish have been drafted.

Proposed Tree Planting by Natural England

It was reported that an exhibition/consultation will be held on 11th July 3.00 to 7.00 in Ravenstonedale High Chapel, Community & Heritage Centre.

Public Participation

Richard Staley, Chairman of the Millennium Field Committee, reported on proposals for the future of the field, particularly as Ravenstonedale School is making less use of the facility due to drastically reduced pupil numbers.

The field is leased to Ravenstonedale Parish Council by Carlisle Diocese and managed by the Committee.

Many of the committee members have been in post since its inception in 1998 and it is now proposed to recruit some younger members.

Richard will continue to keep the grass cut and the protective nets at the west end are to be repaired and reinstated.

It was noted that the grass is growing right across the cycleway to Newbiggin. Highways have been informed.

Complaints had been received regarding the obstruction of visibility for vehicles exiting the village on to the A685 eastbound. The grass on the verges is excessively long. Contractor’s signs and vehicles have been carelessly located during road maintenance.

The Shrubbery opposite High Chapel is requiring maintenance. Mr Hopkins, who has kept the box shrubs trimmed for several years, has now retired. A contractor has been asked for advice on future maintenance. It has also been noted that the trees either side of the gateway are overhanging the road and causing damage to the retaining wall. It was suggested that these have grown beyond maturity and should be removed.

Publications & Correspondence Received

CALC Circular – July 2014

Clerks & Councils Direct

Date of next meeting Thursday 11th September 2014

Signed _____ Chairman Date 11th September 2014