

## COTHERSTONE PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of a meeting of Cotherstone Parish Council held on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2017 in Cotherstone Village Hall

**Present:** J Birkett (Chairman), R Hunter, K Harrow, J Watson, D Rabbitts, J Gill

Also in attendance: R Tarn (Clerk) and 1 member of the public

**1. Apologies:** A Thorn

**2. Declarations of Interest:** J.W and D.R declared an interest regarding grass cutting matters.

**3. Minutes of the meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2017:** These had been circulated, accepted by all and signed by the chairman.

#### **4. Matters Arising:**

Blocked drains in Baldersdale: matter still not resolved.

Boundary Fence at The Close – J.W met with Roger Metcalfe (North Star). This is going to be looked at again in the next financial year.

D.R to contact Hodgson regarding Fence on pathway to allotments.

Guardhouse Grave: Fee has now been received.

Audit – J.B to see Chris Butler.

#### **5. Cemetery/Village Greens/Allotments:**

Gullies in East Green have been seen working. Work still doesn't appear to have been finished; this is to be monitored.

J.G reported that the ruts around the Village Green are getting worse. Suggestion was made for this to be kerbed.

R.H reported that there is a wall down at Klondyke allotments. R.H is to put the wall back up. Asbestos at Klondyke allotments is to be removed; weather permitting.

R.T is in the process of putting the Cemetery on to a spreadsheet.

J.W to check that all allotment rents have been received.

It has been suggested that the Christmas Tree from The Close be moved to outside 3/4 Greenfields; it was agreed that this suggestion should be put in the next edition of "Our Cotherstone".

**6. Accounts for Payment:** The following payments were authorised by the PC:

- Cotherstone Village Hall - £28.00 – 2 x meetings for the PC, £28.00 – 2 x meetings for Neighbourhood Plan – total £56.00.

- Play@Cotherstone - £150.00 annual donation to Play Park.

- Mrs A Sabey - £200.00 clerk's outstanding salary.

**7. Clerk's Position:** R.T has taken on the Clerk's position on a 3 month trial period.

#### **8. Planning Matters:**

(a) DM/16/04011/FPA – 6 Greenfields – Approved

(b) DM/16/02844/VOC – Greystones – Gone to appeal

(c) DM/15/02914/FPA – Work has now started on Cart Barn, Hawcroft Lane; there has been some concerns from residents about damage to the verges etc. Any damage caused will be made good and repaired by contractors when the work is finished. To be monitored.

(d) DM/17/00074/FPA – North Corn Park – Proposed single storey and first floor extension to front; roof alterations; conversion of attached barn to habitable space, new sewage treatment plant, ground source heat pump and pond. There were no grounds for objection.

(e) DM/17/00494/FPA – Balder Cottage – Removal of redundant stable building and erection of new utility building. There were no grounds for objection.

**9. Highway Matters:** To be carried over to April meeting.

**10. Neighbourhood Plan:** A village walk around was done on the morning of 05/03/2017 to take photographs and to assess the character of the village. Another session will be planned for the summer.

**11. Reports from Representatives:** Nothing to report.

**12. Correspondence:** Parish councillor election forms circulated. To be completed and returned to R.T at Croft House by Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2017 to send off.

**13. Any other Business:**

- Zurich Insurance policy is due for renewal on 01/05/2017. R.H has spoken to Zurich and proposes to sign up to a 3 year contract for a 5% discount; this was agreed.
- Residents had requested for street lighting in Gilmore Garth. This is not a council adopted road. J.W to propose motion sensor lighting on residents houses.
- Footpath in Bog Field – To be followed up.

**14. Date of Next Meeting: - Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2017**

There being no further business; the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 08:00.

Signed ..... Date .....