

## ORTON PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2008 in Orton Market Hall

**Present** Cllr S W Dunning (Vice-Chairman), Cllrs. M Coates, E C Potter, D Smith,  
W Parker and M Lewis.  
Clerk, C J Elphick  
Internal Auditor, Jane Arckless  
District Councillor Margaret Wilcox

In the absence of Chairman, Kyle Blue, Cllr S W Dunning chaired the meeting.

#### **Declarations of Interest**

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

**Apologies for absence** had been received from Cllr. Kyle Blue & County Councillor Tim Stoddard.

**Minutes of Meeting** held on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2008 had been circulated and were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

#### **Richard Burn's Charity for Coal**

The residual funds of this defunct charity, amounting to £590.66, had been received from the Charities Official Investment Fund (COIF).

It was **resolved** that this balance be transferred to the Registered Charity, Orton Market Hall.

#### **Finance**

<u>Sum received</u>	
Residual balance Burn's Coal Charity	£590.66
<u>Accounts for payment</u>	
Orton Market Hall (ex Burn's Coal)	£590.66
CALC – Health & Safety Course	£ 45.00

**Resolved** that the foregoing two items be approved for payment.

#### **Highways**

A complaint had been received that the new traffic sign warning of the unsuitability of the road from Greenholme to Scout Green for Heavy Goods Vehicles was too large and sited in the wrong location.

It was agreed that the sign would be better located near the entrance to Tebay West motorway service area. Clerk to contact Cumbria Highways to resolve the situation. A pothole on the Shap road near the Greenholme turning is to be reported to the Highway Steward.

#### **Management of Orton Community Parkland**

It was agreed to plant additional trees at the appropriate time. Cllr Smith to arrange selection from "Trees Please"

#### **Dispensing Services in General Practice**

The Upper Eden Medical Practice had requested support in opposing the Government's proposal to stop GPs from dispensing medication? This would affect the level of service provided in rural areas. Orton residents would be obliged to travel considerable distances to a chemist for prescriptions.

**Resolved** that this petition be supported.

**Freedom of Information Act**

Parish Councils are now required by the Department of Communities and Local Government to adopt a new Model Code of Conduct.

**Resolved** that the Model Code of Conduct be adopted.

Parish Councils are also now required to **proactively** publish all required information. Suggestions are that information be published on a website, by newsletter or in church magazine.

**Public Participation**

There were no contributions from members of the public.

**Correspondence Received**

CALC – County Circular October 2008

Standards Board – Newsletter

Government Office for the North West – North West of England Plan Regional

Spatial Strategy to 2021 – Published 30<sup>th</sup> September 2008

FoLD – Traffic Management and Streetscape in Cumbria – 24<sup>th</sup> October – Kendal

CALC – AGM 8<sup>th</sup> November – Rheged

ICAS – NHS Complaints support service

EDC – Development Plan Document – Consultation

Cumbria Police Authority – Forum 29<sup>th</sup> October – Penrith

Penrith CAB – Funding request

CALC – Planning Consultations Seminar – 11<sup>th</sup> November Penrith TH (FoC)

NALC – Responses to petitions questionnaire

FLD – Conserving Lakeland

The foregoing items of correspondence were noted and circulated as appropriate.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Chairman

Date 17<sup>th</sup> November 2008