

## ORTON PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2009 in Orton Market Hall

**Present** Cllr Kyle Blue (Chairman) Cllrs M Coates, D Smith M Lewis, Wyn Parker and E Potter  
District Councillor Margaret Wilcox.  
County Councillor Peter Thornton  
Clerk, C J Elphick

**Apologies for absence** had been received from Cllr S Dunning

#### **Declarations of Interest**

Cllr Smith declared an interest in Planning Application 09/0553 which related to a property adjacent to his residence.

**Minutes of the Meeting** held on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2009 had been circulated and were signed by the chairman as a correct record.

#### **Orton Toilets**

A letter had been sent to Kevin Douglas, Chief Executive of Eden District Council on 27<sup>th</sup> July 2009 requesting further funding to facilitate the upgrading of the Public Toilets. No reply had been received to date. Margaret Wilcox will follow this up. Complaints were received from the Market Hall Committee regarding lack of cleanliness and missing toilet rolls which affected the letting potential of the hall. Cleaning and servicing arrangements are to be reviewed. Damage to a toilet seat was also reported. Phil Rigby has asked to represent the Market Hall on any Toilet Committee

#### **Orton Conservation Area**

It was reported that Orton Village had been designated a Conservation Area from 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2009.

#### **Finance**

Auditor's Report 2008-2009 was satisfactory. The only comment related to "excessive balances". These funds are designated for future works on the Community Parkland, Playground Maintenance and future development of Orton Toilets.

##### Accounts for payment

BDO Stoy Hayward (Audit fee)	£138.00
George Hotel (toilets cleaning)	£240.00
C J Elphick (Admin Expenses)	£ 94.99
Sue Leach (Paint for Phone Box)	£ 29.47

A letter of thanks to be sent to Sue Leach for repainting the phone box.

#### **Planning Applications**

No. 09/0503	EXTENSION TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL RETAIL AND STORAGE, CREATION OF NEW SERVICE YARD.	
Location	Tebay North Service Area, M6	
Applicant	Westmorland Ltd	<b>GRANTED</b>
No. 09/0134	RETROSPECTIVE AMENDMENTS TO PLANNING APPLICATION 3/04/0271 TO INCLUDE RENDER TO REAR ELEVATION OF SAUNA BUILDING, NEW STEPS TO PAVED AREA AND RETENSION OF SPANISH SLATES. CHANGE OF USE FROM PART AGRICULTURAL FIELD TO PAVED AREA.	
Location	Bretherdale Hall, Bretherdale	
Applicant	Mr J Anderson	<b>REFUSED</b>

No. 09/0488	PROPOSED FIELD SHELTER AND YARD AND NEW ACCESS TRACKAROUND PERIMETER OF LAND	
Location	Midfield Farm, Gaisgill	
Applicant	Mr & Mrs Hutchinson	<b>GRANTED</b>
No. 09/0553	ERECTION OF TWO DWELLINGS (SEMI-DETACHED)	
Type	Full Application	
Location	Land adjacent to Birch Tree Cottage, Orton	
Applicant	J R Wharton & Sons	

### **Proposals for Grazing Cattle at Gaythorne Plain**

It was appreciated that the grazing by cattle had been effective in regeneration of the grassland in other local areas. Concern was, however, expressed about the dangers of cattle straying on to the highway. The proposed electric fence would be detrimental to access by hikers.

### **Highways**

Speed indicator – a volunteer has been found to charge the battery overnight and re-deploy the equipment in the mornings. It is hoped that the indicator will serve to remind motorists of the speed limit through the village.

### **Public Participation**

There were no contributions from members of the public.

### **Correspondence Received**

CALC – County Circular September 2009  
 Local Council Review  
 Clerks & Councils Direct  
 NHS Cumbria – Penrith Health Improvements  
 SLDC – Proposed Core Strategy Submission, LDF  
 4 NW - North West plan Partial Review Draft  
 Resource Cumbria – Recycling Review  
 Cumbria Housing Group – Strategic Housing Market Assessment (SHMA) consultation (August 2009)

The foregoing items were noted or circulated as appropriate.

**Date of next meeting – Monday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2009**

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

Date 19<sup>th</sup> October 2009