

## ORTON PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2010 in Orton Market Hall

**Present** Cllr K Blue (Chairman) D Smith, M Lewis, M Coates  
Clerk, C J Elphick Internal Auditor, Jane Arckless  
District Councillor Margaret Wilcox,  
PCSO Gemma Threlkeld  
3 members of the public

**Apologies for absence** had been received from County Councillor Peter Thornton,

#### **Declarations of Interest**

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

**Minutes of the Meeting** held on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2010 had been circulated and were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

#### **Proposed Designation of Orton as part of National Park**

The parish council members were not unanimous in their views on whether or not Orton should be included in either the Yorkshire Dales or the Lake District National Park.

There had, however, been an overwhelming majority of members of the public present at the January meeting who had voted in favour.

It was **resolved** that these opinions should be conveyed to the Natural England Survey Team.

It was further **resolved** that, having consulted widely, Orton should be included in the Lake District National Park.

#### **Orton Toilets**

The present arrangement for cleaning appears to be working satisfactorily.

It is suggested that, since the Market Hall premises licence is dependent on having toilet facilities, the use by the public is incidental to that function. It has been agreed with Eden District Council that Orton Market Hall, which is a registered charity and therefore pays no rates on the hall, should also not be liable to rates on its associated toilets. This amounts to a saving of almost £700 per year.

The parish council is to request that an agreement, in the form of a licence, should be drawn permitting the Parish Council to open the toilets to the public in return for paying the maintenance, running costs (water, electricity and cleaning) plus providing insurance cover for users.

Clerk to provide a schedule of works for proposed upgrading to enable builders to quote for the work. A draft schedule already exists and requires updating.

#### **Finance**

##### Accounts for payment

Lynne Potter (Toilet Cleaning to 11 <sup>th</sup> Feb)	£210.00
Friends of the Lake District (Subs)	£ 29.00
Orton Market Hall	£ 45.00
Newrough Woodland Services (Christmas trees)	£275.00
Great North Air Ambulance "Pride of Cumbria"	£ 50.00

The foregoing five items were approved for payment

### Planning Applications

No. 09/0972	Sunroom extension to rear of property, garage extension and porch to front elevation	
Type	Full Application	
Location	West Fell View, Kelleth	
Applicant	Mr & Mrs M Potter	
Parish Council	No objections	GRANTED
No. 09/1009	Erection of porch	
Type	Full Application	
Location	Scar Side Farm, Orton	
Applicant	Mr & Mrs D Pickersgill	
Parish Council	No objections	GRANTED
No. 09/0918	Erection of poultry unit, 2 feed silos and foundation of hardcore access track and ancillary hard standing	
Type	Full Application	
Location	Byebeck, Tebay, Penrith CA10 3SZ	
Parish Council	No objections	GRANTED

Bretherdale Common anemometry – breach of planning has been resolved

### Keep Britain Tidy Campaign

Eden District Council is supporting the “Keep Britain Tidy” campaign and has equipment to loan for those councils organising a Litter Pick. Orton will undertake a litter pick after Easter when the nights are lighter.

### Footpath Repairs

Various defects have been reported to Capita for attention.

### Great North Air Ambulance

**Resolved** that a grant of fifty pounds be made towards the operating costs of the “Pride of Cumbria” air ambulance which serves the area and is totally reliant on voluntary subscriptions.

### Orton Manor Court

**Resolved** that the Parish Council will co-operate with the Manor Court in the procurement and installation of additional public seats throughout the village.

### Public Participation

There were no contributions from members of the public.

### Correspondence Received

CALC – County Circular February 2010  
Clerks & Councils Direct

**Date of next meeting – Monday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2010**

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

Date 15<sup>th</sup> March 2010