

## ORTON PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2011 in the Market Hall at 7.30pm

**Present** Cllr K Blue (Chairman) Cllrs E Potter M Jenkin P Knowles and M Lewis  
Clerk, C J Elphick  
Internal Auditor, Jane Arckless

**Apologies for absence** had been received from Councillors S Dunning, M Coates and 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 19<sup>th</sup> September 2011 had been circulated and were signed by the chairman as a correct record.

#### **Orton Liberal Club**

Concerns had been raised about the unkempt condition of the property which was believed to be held in trust for the benefit of the youth of Orton. It had been considered that the premises might be put to beneficial use by local bodies for the benefit of the youth club.

Since the September meeting of the parish council a copy of a "Conveyance and Lease" for the property, dated 16<sup>th</sup> July 1974, had been obtained. Part of Clause 3 of the Deed states "should the property cease to be used for the purpose of a Youth Club ..... then the Donor or her personal representatives shall be entitled to retake possession of the property .....". The premises has not been occupied by the youth club for many years. The original donor, Mrs Kathleen Gibson is now deceased but is known to have at least one surviving relative. In the absence of further documents being located it appears that there is no action to be taken by the parish council.

#### **Orton Public Toilets**

Work is now completed. Clerk is to prepare a press release and a photoshoot to be arranged. Orton Manor Court donated an additional £500 towards the excess costs.

#### **Finance**

An "Unqualified" report has been received from the External Auditor for 2010-2011. This means that there are no queries to answer.

##### Accounts for payment

HMRC Month 6	£ 504.00
HMRC Month 7	£ 84.00
HMRC Month 8	£ 84.00
C J Elphick (Salary - October)	£ 204.24
BDO Stoy Hayward (Audit)	£ 378.00
Lynne Potter (Toilets, November)	£ 210.00
Scottish Hydro Electric (Toilets)	£ 35.05
C J Elphick (Ink)	£ 33.70

#### **Planning Matters**

Eden District Council has invited comments on its proposal that all future planning application consultations should be sent out electronically.

It was considered that, although many documents could be downloaded in A4 format (thereby transferring printing costs to the consultee) it would be unsatisfactory not to have the benefit of full size scale drawings to view at consultation meetings.

It was **resolved** that the District Council be advised of these criticisms of its proposal.

No. 11/0522	Install anaerobic digester to provide biogas for a 10kw combined heat and power unit	
Type	Full Application	
Location	Bowness Farm, Orton	
Applicant	JP & S Thorpe – Mr J Thorpe	GRANTED
No. 11/0556	Installation of fuel dispensers, underground tank, associated pipework & upgrade site drainage	
Type	Full Application	
Location	Westmorland Place, Orton	
Applicant	Westmorland Ltd	GRANTED
No. 11/0850	Variation of condition No. 2 (Plans Compliance) attached to planning approval 09/0083.	
Type	Full Application	
Location	East View, Orton	
Applicant	Mr & Mrs C Fox	
Parish Council	No objections	
No. 11/0827	Fell Sycamore tree in Orton Conservation Area	
Type	Tree Works (CA)	
Location	All Saints Church, Orton	
Applicant	Orton PCC	
Parish Council	No objections	

### **Boundary Commission for England**

Some details of proposals for a review of Parliamentary Constituency boundaries had been received. The intention is to reduce the number of parliamentary constituencies in Cumbria from six to five and to equalise the number of electors in each constituency at approximately 75,000. Comments on the proposals are invited before 5<sup>th</sup> December 2011.

It was resolved to defer this item until the PC's November meeting in order that fuller consideration may be given to the proposals and alternatives suggested.

### **Revised National Park Boundaries**

Natural England has completed its review of National Park boundaries for the Lake District and Yorkshire Dales and forwarded its recommendations to the Secretary of State for approval.

### **The Queen's Diamond Jubilee Beacons**

The Queen's Pageantmaster is planning an event involving the lighting of 2012 beacons throughout the UK at 10.00pm on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2012 to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. Parishes are invited to register their intention to participate in the event. Registration may be made up to the 30<sup>th</sup> April 2012. It was **resolved** to defer a decision until nearer the event. Clerk to contact Crosby Ravensworth PC to consider repairs to the commemorative cross on Orton Scar.

### **Public Participation**

There were no contributions from members of the public.

### **Correspondence Received**

CALC Circular – October 2011  
CCC – Local News & Views - Eddie Martin

**Date of next meeting – Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2011**

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

Date 21<sup>st</sup> November 2011