

ORTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting held on Wednesday 20th January 2014 in the Market Hall at 7.30pm

Present Cllr Kyle Blue (Chairman) Cllrs M Lewis, M Coates, P Knowles, E Potter and M Jenkin
Clerk, C J Elphick
Two members of the public

Apologies for absence. had been received from Cllr M Lewis, District Councillor, Adrian Todd and County Councillor, Libby Bateman

Declarations of Interest

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

Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 8th January 2014 had been circulated and were signed by the chairman as a correct record.

Planning

No. 13/0764	Extension & Alterations	
Type	Full Application	
Location	Bank End Bretherdale	
Applicant	Mr & Mrs P Kemble	GRANTED

Finance

The Clerk presented Budget suggestions for the Precept for 2014-2015 Items were considered and adjusted.

It was **resolved** that the Precept for 2014-2015 be set at £19,000.00. This equates to approximately 72p per elector per week.

Sums received

HMRC (VAT reclaim)	£ 523.25
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Accounts paid prior to meeting

Orton Stores	£ 54.94
Gala Lights (Christmas lights)	£ 336.00

Accounts for payment

CALC (Councillor Training Course)	£ 29.50
Scottish Hydro-Electric (Toilets)	£ 55.81
LW & DJ Thwaites (Christmas Trees)	£ 96.00
C J Elphick (Month 10)	£ 338.80
HMRC (Month 10)	£ 81.20
Lynne Potter (57)	£ 210.00
United Utilities (Water)	£ 59.00
C J Elphick (Expenses to 31/12/13)	£ 162.00

The forgoing items were noted and approved for payment.

A Neighbourhood Plan for Orton?

It had been suggested that Orton may wish to produce its own Neighbourhood Plan in accordance with the provisions of the Localism Act 2011.

The text of a CPRE information booklet had been included with the councillors' summons to the meeting. Both County Councillor Libby Bateman and District Councillor Adrian Todd have experience of producing Neighbourhood Plans. It was decided that, in their absence, it would be preferable to defer any decision to the next PC meeting.

Eden District Council – Open Meeting Newbiggin-on Lune

Eden District Council's Executive (ie a meeting of the Portfolio Holders) have been holding some of their meetings in the Community. As well as their formal meeting, they hold an informal session prior to the meeting at 6pm to allow Parish Councils or members of the public to ask questions or voice opinions or concerns about the services that EDC provides.

The next such meeting is scheduled to be held at **Newbiggin on Lune Village Hall on Tuesday 28 January**

Public Participation

It was reported that severe flooding was causing problems on the section of road between Kelleth and the A385. Report to be sent to CCC Highways.

Damage to the footbridge over the River Lune between Kelleth and Kelleth Crossing Keeper's Cottage has been reported to Highways.

Village notice boards damaged in recent gales to be repaired.

Date of next meeting Monday 17th February 2014

Signed _____ Chairman

Date Monday 17th February 2014