

ORTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 15th September 2014 in the Market Hall at 7.30pm

Present Cllr K Blue (Chairman) Cllrs M Lewis, M Coates, E Potter, S Dunning and Mary Jenkin
Clerk, C J Elphick
District Councillor Adrian Todd
Playground Inspector, Andy Cotton
Two members of the public

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllrs P Knowles, and County Councillor Libby Bateman

Declarations of Interest

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

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 21st July 2014 had been circulated and were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

Children's Play Area

It was reported that repairs to the safety surface and fence had been carried out. A suggested range of new equipment and layout had been received from Playdale priced at £54,000 plus VAT. This to be discussed by the newly formed playground committee.

Initial membership of the Playground Committee to be Cllr Menna Lewis, Chris Elphick (Treasurer/Secretary) Andy Cotton, Jackie Cummings, Sharon Wolstenholme and Andrea Mounsey (Orton School).

A meeting to discuss fundraising ideas and other matters was proposed for Tuesday 23rd September at 8.00pm in the George Hotel.

Consent had been obtained for the removal of one of the large lime trees which is diseased and the crown raising to 4m of the other. A quotation for the work had been received. It was resolved that this work should be carried out.

Planning

Action with Communities in Cumbria (ACT) has information regarding Community Emergency Planning and the support currently available for communities in Eden. Contact Hellen Aitken at ACT on Tel: 01228 817592, Email: hellenaitken@cumbriaaction.org.uk

Notification had been received of an appeal against the decision of Eden District Council refusing permission for a wind turbine at Raisgill Hall, Orton.

Application No. 13/0917 – Appeal No. APP/H0928/A/14/2223447 Installation of a single wind turbine – Raisgill Hall, CA10 3UB

The parish council had objected to the original application. A letter confirming the objection has been sent to the Planning Inspectorate.

No. 14/0372	Extension to existing dairy cattle housing
Location	Moor House, Orton
Applicant	M Mawson
Parish Council	It is desirable to minimise the visual impact in the open countryside of Cumbria
	GRANTED

No. 14/0515	Change of use, alterations and extensions to form dwelling	
Location	Old School, Greenholme	
Applicant	All Saints PCC – Mr A Moore	
Parish Council	No objections	GRANTED
No. 14/0665	Rear first floor extension	
Location	1 Bridge House, Greenholme, CA10 3TA	
Applicant	Mr P Owen	GRANTED
No. 14/0050	Development of 2no self-build affordable houses	
Location	Selsmire, Orton	
Applicant	Mr P Pearson	
Parish Council	Support this application.	REFUSED
No. 14/0665	Rear first floor extension.	
Type	Full Application	
Location	1 Bridge House, Greenholme, CA10 3TA	
Applicant	Mr P Owen	
Parish Council	No objections	

Eden Local Plan Consultation

A copy of Eden District Council's Draft Local Plan for 2016-2032 had been received along with information on where to see the plan together with locations and dates for public consultation meetings. It was left to individuals to comment on the 164 page document (also available on the EDC website).

Finance

The External Auditor's Report had been received. It contained no comments and is, therefore, satisfactory.

The Council's account with Unity Trust Bank has been closed and the balance transferred to Orton PC Community Account.

Adoption of revised Financial Regulations as drafted by NALC following repeal of Section 150 of the Local Government Act 1972 (two signatories rule).

Revised payment authorisation methods. This item was carried forward to a future meeting.

Accounts paid prior to meeting

Orton Market Hall (rent)	£ 45.00
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Accounts for payment

United Utilities (toilets)	£...58.19
Steven Hodgson (Carsa Brow Maintenance)	£ 114.00
Steven Hodgson (Play Area Maintenance)	£ 144.00
C J Elphick (Month 6)	£ 336.00
HMRC (Month 6)	£ 84.00
Lynne Potter (65)	£ 210.00
C J Elphick (Admin Expenses to 30/09/14)	£ 182.93
BDO (Audit)	£ 120.00

106 Bus Route

Notice was given of a Public Meeting Tuesday 23rd September, Grayrigg Primary School. 7.30 to discuss a possible future for this route following Cumbria County Council's withdrawal of operating subsidies.

Cllrs Stephen Dunning and Adrian Todd are to attend.

Public Participation

Christopher Jenkin raised the matter of proposals for amendments to the Orton Beacon Monument commemorating the Queen's diamond Jubilee. This had previously been discussed at length by the parish council and not pursued.

The monument is not the property of Orton Parish Council, it stands on Lowther Estates land within the parish of Crosby Ravensworth. Crosby Ravensworth Parish Council is positively opposed to any alteration or addition to the monument which has, in recent years, been restored on behalf of Lowther Estates at the expense of English Heritage.

Mr Jenkin is to investigate the practicality of erecting a further commemorative edifice at this location.

Correspondence & Publications Received

CALC Circular – September 2014 (Circulated by e-mail)

Eden Community Fund – Leaflets & Posters

Request re. Orton Beacon amendments

Date of next meeting Monday 20th October 2014

Signed

Chairman.

Date 20th October 2014