

ORTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 16th March 2015 in the Market Hall at 7.30pm

Present Cllr K Blue (Chairman) Cllrs M Lewis, M Coates, P Knowles and
M Jenkin
Clerk, C J Elphick
District Councilor, Adrian Todd
Jackie Cummings, Playground Committee
Caroline Greenhalgh and Kevan Guest of Eden Independent Living

Two members of the public

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr E Potter & County Councilor, Libby Bateman

Declarations of Interest

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

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 16th February 2015 had been circulated and were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

Eden Independent Living

A presentation by Carolyn Greenhalgh and Kevan Guest outlined the work and facilities offered by this local one-stop-shop which aims to support independent living in one's own home.

Question Time

Around sixty people attended a lively Question Time event held in Orton Market Hall on Thursday 12th March 12, 2015 to discuss Reduced Rural Services, including buses.

The panel, comprising Libby Bateman, a Conservative councillor representing Kirkby Stephen on Cumbria County Council; Adrian Todd, a Conservative councillor on Eden Council representing Orton and Tebay; Ian Torkington, the Liberal Democrat councillor for Ravenstonedale on Eden, and Lib Dem Peter Thornton, the leader of South Lakeland District Council plus the Rev. Phil Dew, the Methodist minister for Kirkby Stephen

The organisers had gathered questions from other WIs, businesses, young people and members of the public.

Orton Street Lighting

Menna Lewis and Mary Jenkin had surveyed the existing footway lights with Chris Slater and other members of EDC, on 5th March 2015 to review EDC's current proposals for the future reduction in the number of units maintained.

Particular concern was expressed about the light on the footpath opposite the school where there is a bridge across the beck which is regularly used as a route to and from school. This posed particular problems as that footpath is not a designated highway, merely a "permissive footpath" on private property. The legal position is to be investigated.

Litter Pick 2015

Kyle Blue is to collect the bags and equipment from Mansion House for the Litter Pick on Wednesday 18th March, 6.00pm starting at Market Hall.

Children's Play Area

Following a Committee meeting on Tuesday 3rd March A range of Springer units had been shown to the children at Orton School for them to express their preferences for two items. The choices were almost universally agreed.

Playdale, the suppliers will be asked to quote for supply and installation of these items with a view to placing the order when a County Council grant is confirmed.

Planning

No. 14/1085 Proposed sub-division of dwelling to two dwellings with shared parking
Location Coombe Leigh. Orton CA10 3RG
Parish Council No objections GRANTED

No. 15/0015 Erection of a single storey extension to the rear of the dwelling.
Location North Scout Green CA10 3QZ
Parish Council No objections GRANTED

Finance

Accounts for payment

Lynne Potter (72)	£ 210.00
C J Elphick (Month 112)	£ 346.35
HMRC (Month 12)	£ 86.60
A R Mason (Repairs)	£ 23.00
United Utilities (Toilets)	£ 65.52

The foregoing five items were approved for payment

Parliamentary and Local Elections 7th May 2015

The Clerk reported receipt of the Timetable of events leading up to the elections date plus the latest Register of Electors.

Nomination Papers will be available from 20th March.

Public Participation

Further complaints were received regarding Dog Fouling in the vicinity of Street Lane.

Correspondence & Publications Received

CALC Circular – March 2015 (this had been circulated)

Date of next meeting & Annual Parish Meeting Monday 20th April 2015

Signed

Chairman

Date 20th April 2015