

ORTON PARISH COUNCIL

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

Present Cllr Kyle Blue (Chairman) Cllrs M Coates, Menna Lewis, M Mawson,
and D Potter.
Clerk, C J Elphick
County Councillor Libby Bateman
District Councillor Adrian Todd
Jackie Cummings (playground committee)
Members of the public

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllrs. S Dunning and E Potter

Declarations of Interest

Cllr Blue declared an interest in planning application no 15/0813. As Estate Agents, his company has a business interest in the property. Cllr Blue took no part in the discussion or the council's recommendation.

Cllr Mawson declared an interest in planning applications nos. 15/0872, 15/0882 and 15/0883. He is the applicant. Cllr Mawson left the room while these applications were discussed.

The 106 Partnership (Buses)

This item was brought forward on the agenda to enable Cllr Bateman to make her report then leave for a meeting elsewhere.

Cllr Libby Bateman delivered the following report from the latest meeting of the **106 Bus Partnership**.

CCC had produced monthly sheets up to the end of October providing detailed analysis of types of use, income and subsidy paid etc. It would appear that Tuesday is the day with most passengers.

Subsidy paid to date £2110.28 leaving a balance on hand of £4389.72. Balance projected at end of January based on current performance should be £3-£.5k.

CCC Confirmed that contracts are due to expire at the end of January. The group needs to have a clear plan for a future service ready to submit to tender by the end of November. Only then can the group see what will be affordable.

All 5 of the recommendations put forward by the sub-committee (held on 19th October 2015) had been discussed at length.

It would appear that the Classic Coaches Thursday bus is very popular. The group wishes to continue that service.

Thursday is the day with the least usage on the Stagecoach service and takes most of the subsidy. In spite of this it was agreed that it was essential to provide a five day week service. The lack of such has impacted on tourism this summer and may have lasting damage if it is not addressed.

Possible use of the Fell Runner service was discussed.

CCC explained the difficulty of providing extra seats for paying passengers on the school bus service.

After discussing all options the group decided to submit a tender as follows:

Service for all five week days. Same timetable as existing. Stay at Penrith extended by 30 minutes Separate tender for operating a return service from Kendal from the beginning of the School Easter holidays to the end of the School Summer holidays.

Cllr Bateman requested continued financial support for this joint community service.

It was **resolved** that the sum of £500.00 be awarded to the 106 Bus Partnership for the next financial year.

Children's Playground

It was reported that the Annual independent Inspection Report had been received from The Play Inspection Company Ltd who work in conjunction with the council's insurers, Came and Company.

An order has been placed with the same company for next year (October) at a cost of £62.50 plus VAT

A quotation had been received from Playdale for replacement "Springer" items. Funding events carried out by playground committee had raised the sum of £355.60. Jackie Cummings outlined plans for future events.

Planning

No. 15/0843	Certificate of Lawful Development for unrestricted occupation of dwelling	
Location	Bretherdale Hall CA17 3TA	
Parish Council	Support	GRANTED
No. 15/0951	Studio Building for use as a private outdoor office and summerhouse (part retrospective)	
Type	Full Application	
Location	Kelleth Old Hall CA10 3UG	
Applicant	Mr C Fairbairn	
Parish Council	Orton Parish Council objects to this retrospective application. It is considered that the design and fenestration is totally inappropriate in this rural village location.	
No. 15/0935	Proposed car park extension (part retrospective)	
Type	Full application	
Location	Tebay South Service Area CA10 3SB	
Applicant	Westmorland Ltd – Mr J France	
Parish Council	No objections	
No. 15/0789	Variation of condition No.2 (plans compliance) attached to planning approval No. 14/0516 comprising of internal alterations and amendments to outbuilding.	
Type	Full Application	
Location	Old School, Greenholme CA10 3TA	
Applicant	Miss J Lade	
Parish Council	No objections	
No. 15/0813	Retrospective permission for change of use from café to residential and removal of chimney stack.	
Type	Full Application	
Location	Kirkland Cottage, Orton CA10 3RY	
Applicant	Mr A Midgley – Commercial First.	
Parish Council	This development has taken place without the benefit of planning consent and with total disregard for the Conservation Area status of Orton Village. By converting the building from a tearoom to residential property Orton has been deprived of an historically important commercial property in the centre of the village. The removal of the chimney also seriously detracts from the character of the village centre architecture.	
	Orton Parish Council recommends that this application for retrospective approval of a serious breach of planning regulation be refused	

No. 15/0872	Change of use of agricultural building to a dwellinghouse and associated operational development
Type	Change of use PD/PN
Location	Buildings at New House Farm (Unit 1) Orton CA10 3SD
Applicant	Mr M Mawson
Parish Council	Support this application for re-use of a redundant building.
No. 15/0882	Change of use of agricultural building to a dwellinghouse and associated operational development
Type	Change of use PD/PN
Location	Buildings at New House Farm (Unit 2) Orton CA10 3SD
Applicant	Mr M Mawson
Parish Council	Support this application for re-use of a redundant building.
No. 15/0883	Change of use of agricultural building to a dwellinghouse and associated operational development
Type	Change of use PD/PN
Location	Buildings at New House Farm (Unit 3) Orton CA10 3SD
Applicant	Mr M Mawson
Parish Council	Support this application for re-use of a redundant building.
No. 15/1015	Retrospective application for conversion of Barn to dwellinghouse
Type	Full Application
Location	The Sycamores, Orton, CA10 3RG
Applicant	Mr E Langer
Parish Council	No objections to this long-established conversion. It is noted that this structure pre-dates the designation as Conservation Area by many years and is accepted as part of the village scene.

Finance

The finance committee had agreed revised Financial Regulations as drafted by NALC to take account of updated legislation including the repeat of the Local Government Act 1972 section 150, the "Two Signatures" rule. This would permit more online banking facilities.

Salary and conditions for the Toilet Manager had been reviewed.

Draft Budget for 2016-17 was deferred to the January 2016 meeting

Sums received

HMRC (VAT reclaim)	£ 331.58
Playground Committee	£ 355.60

Accounts paid prior to meeting

Rowan Builders Ltd (Sundry materials)	£ 100.68
United Utilities (Water)	£ 85.01

Accounts for payment

EDC (Election costs)	£ 297.50
Lynne Potter (Month 8)	£ 312.75
C J Elphick (Month 8)	£ 385.00
HMRC (Month 8)	£ 46.20
Lynne Potter (Month 9)	£ 312.75
C J Elphick (Month 9)	£ 385.20
HMRC (Month 9)	£ 46.00
Gala Lights	£ 168.00
The Coppice Co-op Ltd (Posts)	£ 64.80
Enterprise Managed Services Ltd. (Grass)	£1,318.80
Jackie Cummings (Playground Expenses)	£ 100.00

Orton Community Parkland

Friends of the Lake District had organised a hedge-laying instruction/demonstration session on 4th November. Volunteers laid approximately 40 metres of the boundary hedge which is now about fifteen years old. Arrangements are to be made for lay the remainder of the hedge (approximately 200metres).

Footway Lighting

A possible replacement for the former light No. 7 on the footpath opposite the school, which was removed by EDC, is being investigated. Solar powered lamps are being assessed for performance in this often dull area. Developments in technology make this a viable possibility.

Correspondence Received

CALC Circular November 2015 (circulated)
Eden Local Plan 2014-32 - Submission Consultation Draft
Eden Homes – Annual Report

Date of next meeting Monday 18th January 2016

Signed _____ Chairman 18th January 2016