

Muncaster Parish Council

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Minutes of the Council meeting held on Tuesday 11 July 2023 starting at 7.00pm in Muncaster Parish Hall, Ravenglass.

Present:

Cllr Richard Johnson, Chair
Cllr Martin Harrison, Deputy Chair
Cllr Mike Parr
Cllr J Chapman
Cllr Ewan Frost-Pennington
David Boyd Parish Clerk/RFO

1	Apologies for absence	None
2	Declarations of Interest	As notified / on record - and specifically Cllr Chapman re Agenda Item 7 / Item 6 below..
3	Minutes of previous Council Meeting	<p>The Minutes of the 13 June 2023 meeting were approved and signed by the Chair as a true record.</p> <p>One councillor said he considered that the minutes generally contained insufficient detail. The Clerk said that there was usually a balance to be struck in this regard, but the particular form and content of each set of minutes was up to the Council as a whole to specify and to approve and he would strive to comply with whatever they decided-upon. It was pointed out during further discussion that anything needing to be specifically recorded in the Minutes could be resolved by the Council during each meeting.</p>
4	Public Forum	(No members of public present at meeting)
5.	Finance	(a) RFO Reports etc had been tabled by the Clerk and were approved, along with specific bank cheque payments to authorise (as attached) - which were approved.
6	Planning Matters	<p>Reference: T/2023/0074; Location: Bay Horse, Main Street, RAVENGLASS, CA18 1SD; Description: Proposed tree etc works.</p> <p>NB: Cllr Chapman, having declared an interest in this matter, left the meeting room for the entire period of discussion and resolution about this. Remaining Councillors unanimously resolved not to object to the proposal and Clerk would notify LDNPA.</p>

7	Council Correspondence	The Clerk stated no outstanding correspondence not already circulated.
8	Parish Hall	Cllr Harrison reported that solicitors / agents were in active discussion towards agreement of the new lease and he was scheduled to receive a detailed update shortly.
10	Councillors' Reports and Progress for Information	Memorial seat - recent donation - Cllr Parr said this had now been placed just outside the Parish Hall. Clerk would add this seat to PC Assets list etc and thank the donor on behalf of PC.
11	War Memorial	The Clerk reported that appointed architect had recently undertaken the initial survey and his report was awaited.
12	Ravenglass Flood Defences	The Clerk had already circulated detailed County Council proposals re future works. Cllr Parr said there were additional matters outstanding too and that it might help resolve all these if a site visit could be arranged so that County Council officers could fully inspect them and be briefed about them. It was resolved to seek to arrange this and the Clerk would pursue.
13	Purchase / reimbursement to PC of hearing assistance equipment for Clerk via Access to Work	This was approved.
14	LDNPA Ravenglass Village Car Park	The Clerk had circulated a response very recently received from LNPA, which, although generally explanatory and detailed, did not appear to address any of the several specific matters relating to Ravenglass villagers' needs which had been the subject of previous arrangements. One of these was the effect upon local businesses of charging for evening parking and councillors undertook to seek their views about this in particular, along with other community views generally and report back to the next PC Meeting.
15	Grass Cutting - Football Pitch Field (aka Signal Box Field)	Possible future arrangements were discussed. Clerk would look into possible add-on to existing grass-cutting contract for village green etc.
16	Date of Next Meeting	Next regular meeting was scheduled for Tuesday 12 September 2023.

(Meeting closed 8.00pm)

PAYMENTS FOR APPROVAL 11/07/23 - MUNCASTER PC BANK ACCOUNT

Date	Details	Voucher No.	Reference	Receipts	Payments	Amount
				£	£	£
11-Jul-23	Clerk salary Jul23+travel	2312	300035		180.30	-180.30
11-Jul-23	Access to Work equipment**	2313	300036		2973.13	-2973.13
11-Jul-23	Defibrillator pads	2314	300037		144.00	-144.00
11-Jul-23	Defibrillator batteries	2315	300037		27.98	-27.98
11-Jul-23	Domain Names Reserved	2316	300037		23.98	-23.98
11-Jul-23	Parish Hall Hire	2317	300038		18.00	-18.00
11-Jul-23	Clerk SLCC Membership Subs.	2318	300039		85.00	-85.00
11-Jul-23	Chairman's Coronation Event Expenditure	2319	300040		200.00	-200.00
TOTAL						-3652.39