

# Lamplugh Parish Council

Parish Clerk; John Sloan, High Mill Cottage, High Lorton, Cockermouth. CA13 9UB (0190085833)

## Minutes of Parish Council Meeting (No 327) of Lamplugh Parish Council held on

Wednesday 16th January 2019 at 7:00 pm in Lamplugh Village Hall

Parish Councillors required to attend ;

Sandy Roberts (Chair), Roger Braithwaite (vice chair), Richard Wilson, Robert Daglish, Michael Watts, Richard Hodgson, Julie Whittaker, John Sloan (Clerk).

Also Invited: John Dirom (Borough Councillor), Arthur Lamb (County Councillor).

Present; Roger Braithwaite (vice chair), Michael Watts, Richard Hodgson, Robert Daglish , Richard Wilson, Julie Whittaker, Arthur Lamb (County Councillor), John Sloan (Clerk).

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1. Sandy Roberts apologised for absence. No declarations of interest or conflicts of interest declared.
2. Minutes of the last parish council meeting No (326) held on 21st November 2018 were reviewed and accepted as true and signed by the Vice Chair.
3. Tasks arising from the Council meeting (326) held on 21st November 2018 were reviewed.
4. No significant items of correspondence had been received that were not already part of the agenda (e.g. planning items).
5. Finance Matters:
  - a. The balance held in the bank/building society as of 16/01/2019;

	21 <sup>st</sup> Nov 2018	16 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2019
<b>Cumberland BSoc</b>	<b>£14,681.88</b>	<b>£13,333.23</b>

Values were confirmed from income and expenditure spreadsheets. The account figures were formally accepted and agreed by the councillors.

Income and expenditure details (on spreadsheets) covering the period up to the 16th January 2019 were reviewed and data agreed by the councillors.

- b. Three cheques totalling £1,086.80 were presented for approval and signature; Cumbria payroll services (3<sup>rd</sup>Q--paid between meetings), clerks salary for fourth/final quarter and Lamplugh and Ennerdale PCC for Contact magazine entries. The summary table for the schedule of payments and receipts was reviewed and duly signed by the Vice Chair.
      - c. The third quarter financial audit review will be arranged by the clerk.
      - d. Request for no increase in the parish precept sent to Copeland BC 2019/20.
    - e. Payroll (HMRC) and Pension regulator communications now operated by Cumbria Payroll Services.
    - f. The clerk/RFO put forward the salary calculations based on a reduction in the weekly hours from 8 to 6. The clerks salary for 2019/20 will therefore be reduced from £4,200 to £3,357pa. This will result in a saving of around £840 in the coming year. If there are

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no additional costs then the PC will consider a decrease in the parish precept after the 2019/20 financial year.

## 6. Public Participation Slot;

Ian Parker (Minister); asked about when the forestry work was due to end at Cogra Moss. The clerk will follow up with the Forestry Commission.

Arthur Lamb (county councillor); Work to alleviate the flooding on the Loweswater road was now finished. Nothing to report from the Eskett quarry liaison meeting other than continuing plans to close the right of way to reduce fly tipping. The traffic speed limit on the A5086 was under review at present with a decision due in March. There were plans to review the fire service provision for the area, perhaps to reduce the standard sized engine at Frizington with a much smaller unit. Councillors were opposed to this idea and suggested writing individual letters of opposition and a letter from the PC. CCC are still looking at results of various studies on fluoridation to see if they wish to continue adding fluoride to the water.

United Utilities attended the meeting to provide an update on the pipeline work and the work at Cogra Moss. They are ahead of schedule on the pipeline work and hope to finish a year early i.e. by mid 2021. Most of the intrusive digging and road closures are finished in the Lamplugh area and this year they will be concentrating on building the large storage and treatment facilities (one at High Lees) plus hydraulic testing of the pipework. Once working there will not be any borehole water added to the supply.

Work at Cogra Moss has progressed well and the job is expected to finish some time in March this year. There are other future plans for work to install a more accessible footpath around the waters edge.

## 7. Lengthman scheme; nothing to report no work required at present. Not sure if road signs had been cleaned or not--clerk will follow up. Cumbria Highways are starting an initiative to work with parishes to maintain verges and old road signs. A burned out caravan is still sitting close to the Leaps dip (Kirkland to Croasdale road). As it is on private land it is unlikely that the CBC will remove the item. Michael Watts will ask the local farmer about who owns the land.

## 8. Planning matters;

**High Trees:** the PC sent a response opposing the application to build three houses on land at High Trees. The application has not come before the CBC planning panel.

**Millfields housing development;** Planning permission had been granted to build a new village hall close to the old village hall. This means that the s106 (also to build a new village hall at the site of the housing development) attached to the Millfields development is now potentially redundant. The Parish councillors still wish to optimise equivalent community benefit from the development/s106. This has now been passed to ACT to try to change the s106 from a village hall into a type of housing more suitable to the community. The least worst choice seemed to be some form of starter homes or affordable housing for younger people. The chair will go back to the ACT folks and arrange a meeting (next PC meeting in March) with the parish council for further discussions.

**Inglenook caravan park;** the owner has submitted a planning application which is seeking a certificate of lawfulness for the site. As part of the application the owner wished to remove the remaining touring caravan plots and replace them with static units. This would bring the total number of static units on the site to 56—this is twice the number that was originally applied for when the site first started. Originally the site comprised a mix of 28 statics with remaining area

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used for camping and touring caravans. The parish council is not sure of the number of permanent residents on site who currently pay council tax—estimated to be 13. Copelands own policy is to oppose static caravan sites in the borough and they have been reminded of this in the parish councils response.

9. The village hall committee continue to work hard to secure additional funds to finalise the building. Funds are being sought from the Cumbria community fund via Copeland BC. Clerk to check if VH applied for funding from UU.
10. Highways; any problems should be reported it to the Highways web site. If there are exceptional problems then the County councillor (Arthur Lamb) will provide assistance. The surface water flooding at the Loweswater junction in Lamplugh Green appears to have returned--this will be reported to the Highways dept.
11. Parish website; the new web site was now up and running. The clerk has added all of this years agendas and minutes plus a list of all items of spend in excess of £100. A front page about planning applications also needs to be added to the site along with links to other parish web sites should be added.
12. Crossgates land; the clerk arranged for its removal of a fallen tree. The clerk has obtained a quote form arborists with the appropriate qualifications to provide a review of the trees within the site. The cost will be around £500, this spend was agreed by the councillors and will be vired from the projects budget for this year. This safety assessment will only be required every three years or so and can be included in future budgets. The clerk will arrange for the work to be carried out. The clerk noted that all of the trees on this plot of land had TPOs (tree preservation orders) on them meaning that any work required would need prior planning approval.
13. School status; progressing, nothing new to report.
14. Dr John Sherwen charity meeting; the Chair is seeking to establish communication with the board of the charity.
15. Newsletter; items for the next newsletter need to be with Michael Watts by the 23<sup>rd</sup> Jan.
16. Upcoming Meetings/Meetings attended; the Chair (SR) had attended recent RNEC meetings and Village hall meetings.
17. Items for next agenda; Millfields s106 proposals ACT member to attend. Parish council disbandment—re-elections for coming year. New 3 year contract for landscaping.

The next meeting will be a **Parish Council Meeting** held on the 20th **March 2019 in the Lamplugh Village Hall.**

Closure of Council Meeting at 9:10pm.

Dates for Wednesday night Council meetings in 2019;

**Parish Council Meeting APM**  
**Parish Council Meeting AGM**  
**Parish Council Meeting**

**1st May 2019**  
**15th May 2019**  
**17th July 2019**