

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF EGREMONT TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 19TH APRIL 2016 AT 6PM IN THE SUPPER ROOM OF EGREMONT MARKET HALL

Present

Mr Michael McVeigh Chairperson
Mrs Jacqui Smith Vice-Chairperson

Also:

Mrs Lena Hogg (LH) Mr Neil Ferguson (NF)
Mr Sam Pollen (SP) Mr Leigh Mossop (LM)
Mr John Burns (JB)
Mr Wilf Sibson (WS)

County Councillor Henry Wormstrup (HW)
Whitehaven News Reporter Drew Sandelands (DS)
Town Clerk Geraldine Pritchard (GP)
Office Assistant Margaret Woodburn (MW)
One member of the public

154/15/16	<p>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE RESOLVED that apologies from Cllr Lewthwaite & County Cllr David Southward be received and the reasons noted.</p>	ACTION						
155/15/16	<p>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST RE: ITEMS ON THE AGENDA RESOLVED to be noted that Chairperson declared an interest in all planning applications</p>							
156/15/16	<p>TO APPROVE & SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 15TH MARCH 2016 RESOLVED that the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 15th March 2016 be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairperson.</p>							
157/15/16	<p>TO APPROVE & SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 24TH MARCH 2016 RESOLVED that the minutes of the Town Council’s extraordinary meeting held on 24th March be confirmed as a true record & signed by the Chairperson.</p>							
158/15/16	<p>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION RESOLVED that County Councillor Wormstrup’s report informing the Town Council that all lights in Moor Row are now lit with LED bulbs be received. Councillor Wormstrup then left the meeting.</p>							
159/15/16	<p>PLANNING APPLICATIONS RESOLVED that the following applications are received & the planning authority be advised of the Council’s observations as follows: No objections</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="272 1912 1326 2024"> <thead> <tr> <th>App no</th> <th>Location</th> <th>Proposal</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>4/15/2441</td> <td>Plot at Smithfield Egremont</td> <td>Amended reduction in development</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	App no	Location	Proposal	4/15/2441	Plot at Smithfield Egremont	Amended reduction in development	GP
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No objections as long as there is neighbour consultation

App no	Location	Proposal
4/15/2089/OF1	Jesmond House Moor Row	Kitchen & living room extension

160/15/16

RESOLVED to ratify the observations submitted by the Clerk on applications requiring decisions prior to this meeting
No objections in principle but request clarification of adequate parking and there must be neighbour consultation

App no	Location	Proposal
4/16/2069/OF1	St Bridgets Lane	Conversion from vets to 2 residential units

161/15/16

TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM MEETINGS/EVENTS

Finance

RESOLVED that recommendations presented and amounting to £275 be approved for payment
RESOLVED the bank reconciliation for the year ending 31st March 2016 be received as a true record & signed by the Chairperson
RESOLVED the monthly budget monitor be received & approved.
RESOLVED to add a further £4,000 to projected payments for 2016/17 to cover the costs of any future elections

Website

RESOLVED actions taken by J Burns & J Smith be accepted & agreed
RESOLVED another meeting is required with R Mulholland

JB.JS

Highways – there was no report

Bowling Green

RESOLVED to send a thank you letter to Calderwood House & Sellafield apprentices following their recent work at the Bowling Green.
RESOLVED that better signage is required at the Bowling Green
RESOLVED to accept Cllr Mossop's report following recent meeting he had attended
RESOLVED to accept Cllr Smith's update re: school tournament.
RESOLVED that Councillors would be reminded of the friendly match.

GP

LM

JS
GP

Dilapidated Buildings

RESOLVED to accept Cllr Hogg's report giving update on 5 Market Place & 2/4 Market Place.

Personnel

RESOLVED to accept delegated powers
RESOLVED to accept that two members of the personnel committee plus another Councillor will carry out the interviews for the asst clerk on 28th April.

LH.JL.JS

Allotments

RESOLVED to accept a report & actions to be taken following a site visit to the Sandholes site.

<p>162/15/16</p>	<p><u>Cemetery</u> RESOLVED to accept a report from Cllr Sibson & Cllr Burns following their visit to the grounds</p> <p><u>Standing Orders</u> RESOLVED to accept the review and recommendations</p> <p><u>Training</u> RESOLVED to accept Cllr Hogg’s report on the recent training event given by internal auditor Jean Airey, all Councillors agreed that it was beneficial. RESOLVED also to accept that there will be no more sub-committees but they will be changed to working parties which can be arranged as & when required. RESOLVED that further training is required to cover the code of conduct, use of social media & standards.</p> <p><u>West Copeland Partnership</u> RESOLVED to accept the Chairperson’s report following the recent meeting where it was stated that this partnership needs to think about what it wants if Nugen is going to be putting something in the pot – business opportunities, new swimming pool, health, education as there will be some brain storming at the next meeting & all Councillors were encouraged to attend.</p> <p>TO REVIEW CORRESPONDENCE Before agreeing to help BT organise an event re: broadband, it was RESOLVED to contact the Town Clerk at Cleator Moor to see if they found the event useful.</p> <p>RESOLVED that it is noted in the minutes, Mr Millie’s refusal to attend Town Council meetings following another invitation sent to him on behalf of the Chairperson.</p> <p>Petition on line re: Egremont Swimming Pool, RESOLVED to accept that the pool is in liquidation but it was noted that the trust had fought valiantly to keep it open & Councillors acknowledged that they had done well to keep it going for 15 years.</p> <p>St Bega trail race, RESOLVED that no permission is needed from this Council to hold this race</p> <p>Request from a member of the public to remove the public convenience sign on the Main Street, RESOLVED to contact the relevant authority and to send the person a reply informing her that the cost to re-open the toilets (as was also mentioned in the letter) is not financially viable.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the 2016/17 parish grant letter is noted following a report from Cllr Hogg who explained that this discretionary grant had to be used to complement Copeland’s new corporate strategy.</p> <p>SCHEDULE OF CORRESPONDENCE, NOTICES & PUBLICATIONS RESOLVED that all items listed on the agenda for information be noted.</p>	<p>GP</p> <p>GP</p> <p>GP</p>
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<p>163/15/16</p>	<p>CLERK'S REPORT RESOLVED to accept the Clerk's report as follows: Since the last meeting, permits have been granted for 1 added inscription, 1 headstone & 3 sloping desk vases. 1 burial and 4 cremations have also taken place.</p> <p>Rev Lee was congratulated on his appointment as High Sheriff of Cumbria and thanks for his co-ordination and raising of the commonwealth flag alongside the service & hospitality provided.</p> <p>Socio-Economic presentation has been cancelled, RESOLVED the Clerk write to express the Town Council's disappointment & once a new date (provisionally set for 6th June) has been confirmed, all Councillors will be informed. Cllr Pollen also agreed to bring this matter up with the relevant department at Sellafield.</p>	<p>GP SP</p>
<p>164/15/16</p>	<p>MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT RESOLVED that the monthly financial statement as presented on the agenda & amounting to £16,816.88 be approved for payment.</p>	<p>GP</p>
<p>165/15/16</p>	<p>EGREMONT TOILETS Cllr Sibson had a contact of where he could obtain another quote based on the condition survey already to hand, RESOLVED Cllr Sibson is given a copy of this survey (without the financial costs shown).</p>	<p>GP.WS</p>
<p>166/15/16</p>	<p>COUNCILLORS' MATTERS Cllr Pollen stated that a representative from the Egremont Amenity Committee would like to attend & do a presentation to the Council at the next meeting & to ask the Town Council to consider & make a decision regarding a financial contribution.</p> <p>Cllr Smith raised an issue of parking at Oddfellows Terrace/North Road, Chairperson is aware of this & is dealing with it.</p> <p>Chairperson said there was a concern at the state of the trough at Bookwell, this is an issue the Town Council have looked at in the past but no solution found.</p> <p>Cllr Burns mentioned Copeland's dog fouling promotion, 22 schools were contacted & Bookwell School had taken part & sent in their competition entries.</p>	
<p>167/15/16</p>	<p>ITEMS FOR INCLUSION ON THE NEXT AGENDA Bowling Green lease Training date for Councillors Egremont Gateways – Highways England Market Hall quotes Annual Governance Statement Egremont Town Plan Amenity Presentation</p>	
<p>168/15/16</p>	<p>DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING It was agreed that the next meeting (which will be the Town Council's AGM), will be held on Tuesday 17th May 2016 at 6pm</p>	

169/15/16	DATE OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING It was agreed that this meeting will be held on Thursday 12 th May 2016 at 6pm The meeting ended at 7.45pm	
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