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Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 6th April 2023 at 7.30 pm. in the Buccleuch Hall, Lindal.

Present:- Councillors Mrs S Glover; Mrs C Stringer; N Fleming.

Apologies:- Councillors A. Waite; Mrs S Kelly.

Also present: No members of the public were present.

In attendance N/A.

Councillor Mrs Glover in the Chair.

31/23 Urgent business. Items normally needing to be publicised but received too late for the agenda. (Section 100B (4) (b) Local Government Act 1972)

None.

32/23 Disclosure of interests. Requests for dispensations.

None.

33/23 Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 2nd March 2023

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 2nd March 2023, were taken as read and APPROVED.

PROPOSED: - Councillor Mrs Stringer: SECONDED:- Councillor Fleming.

Carried unanimously.

34/23 Matters arising from those minutes.

- a) 24/23 (b) It was pointed out that the Coronation celebrations scheduled for the Buccleuch Hall on Sunday, 7th May 2023, would now be taking place on the Bank Holiday Monday, 8th May, instead. This was due to a double-booking for the Hall.
- b) 24/23 (c) The Clerk reported that further information from Cumbria County Council suggested that the residents of Pennington Lane had all been advised of the proposed concrete batching plant.

- c) 29/23 (a) The Clerk reported that he had been advised that the yew trees had now been pruned.
- d) 29/23 (b). Cumbria Highways had confirmed that the 20-mph speed limit for Lindal was scheduled for completion before 30th April 2023.

35/23 Attendance of officer from Cumbria Constabulary

There was no officer in attendance. No information had been submitted.

36/23, Traffic lights, A590, Lindal crossroads.

The Clerk commented on a query from a local resident regarding the need for traffic lights at the crossroads on the A590 as it passes through Lindal, given that there would be an increase in traffic movements at such crossroads as and when the new housing estate was completed off London Road.

The Parish Council had made several requests in the past to National Highways for this junction to be provided with traffic lights, the response always being that the circumstances did not justify such a development. However, an assurance had now been given that National Highways would give further consideration to this issue during its current review of the A590.

37/23 Planning applications relating to the Parish

None.

38/23 Correspondence.

Planning applications relating to the whole of the Borough. The Clerk confirmed that the latest on-line list from Barrow Borough Council had been received and forwarded to Councillors. NOTED.

39/23 Finance

- a) Account balances:- *Current* - £50: *Festivals* - £277.24 - *Reserve* - £43335.36
- b) Payments recently made, for formal authorisation:-
DASH Ltd. £398.40, Coronation mugs.
It was PROPOSED by Councillor Mrs Glover and SECONDED by Councillor Mrs Stringer that item (b) be duly approved. Carried unanimously.
- c) Reference was made to the annual audit and the fact that councils with turnover under £25,000 per year did not have to forward the completed audit documentation to the national auditors for assessment. Instead, a Certificate of Exemption had to be completed for the auditors, with the documentation then being posted on the council's website for public viewing. It was then PROPOSED by Councillor Fleming and SECONDED by Councillor Mrs Glover that the Certificate of Exemption be duly completed and forwarded to the auditors.
Carried unanimously.
- d) The Clerk confirmed that the renewal documents in respect of the Council's membership of CALC, Cumbria Association of Local Councils, had been received, in the sum of £219.29, and it was PROPOSED by Councillor Mrs Glover and SECONDED by Councillor Fleming that this be paid. Carried unanimously.

- e) Further information had been received from Barrow Council regarding the parish council's precept for 2023/24. This indicated that Westmorland and Furness Council had reversed the decision to not give a Council Tax Reduction Grant towards the parish/town precepts for the year 2023/24. Insofar as Lindal and Marton was concerned, such a Grant would be £123.81 and this would be in addition to the precept request of £5,500, rather than a contribution towards such precept. In other words, the precept would be £5,623.81 instead of £5,376.19.

40/23 Any Other Business.

- a) It was NOTED that the existing councillors had been returned unopposed insofar as the forthcoming local elections were concerned.
- b) Councillor Mrs Glover referred to previous comments relating to the trees on Lindal village green and the concerns of several residents regarding potential hazards. This matter had previously been passed on to the appropriate body for attention and the Clerk would make further representations.

20/23 Date and Time of next meeting

The date and time of the next meeting, which would be the Annual General Meeting, was AGREED as Thursday, 4th May, 2023, at 7.30 pm in the Buccleuch Hall, Lindal.

(NB. Arrangements were also in hand for the Ambulance Service to attend the Hall at 6.15 pm in order to offer defibrillator training to anybody interested.)

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