

# TEMPLE SOWERBY PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of the Parish Council was held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2019 in the Victory Hall at 7pm.

Present were Councillors Kevin Overs (KO), Angela Mathers (AM), Jonathan Richardson (JR), Caryl Varty (CV). Also present was Caroline Fancott-Beynon (CFB) (Clerk) and District Councillor Sawrey-Cookson (HSC) together with 4 parishioners.

**Item 1 – Apologies – Martyn Cannon (MC)**

**Item 2 – Minutes**

It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> January 2019 be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

**Item 3 – Requests for Dispensation – None**

**Declarations of Interests – None**

**Item 4 – Adjournment of Meeting**

No items raised

**Item 5 – Chairman will report on matters from last minutes, not listed on agenda.**

- The clerk reported that Amey Mouchel had been contacted regarding the road signs that had been left in the village following road works last year. Amey had stated that they would collect the signs, although this was almost 2 months ago. JR suggested clerk re-contact and ask for the signs to be removed within 14 days or the Parish Council will dispose of them.

**Item 6 – Parish Houses & Land**

- CFB has now submitted the EPC exemptions for 2CFV and 3CFV. The exemptions are online and will be forwarded to the local authority who will contact with any queries. CFB reported that the exemptions are valid for 5 years and must then be resubmitted. However, it would be prudent for the parish council to show that adequate measures had been taken to improve the EPC rating wherever possible in that time. For both properties the only suggested improvement is increased loft insulation. Clerk to obtain quotes for July meeting.

**Item 7 – Planning Matters**

- Planning Application 19/0058 – *Barn adj to Counting House – Demolition of barn and erection of two adjoining dwellings (18/0791) – Observations Submitted*
- *Planning Application 19/0169 – 2 Sunny Bank – Fell Silver Birch tree in front garden – No Objections*
- Planning Application 18/0940 – *The Lodge – Demolition of building and erection of replacement dwelling– GRANTED*

### **Item 8 – Village Greens, Play Area, Trees, etc**

- The contract for the grass cutting for the upcoming year has been received and was signed by KO
- CFB contacted the community wardens regarding the increased dog mess in the Vicarage Lane and Bowling Green Lane areas. Wardens visited the village and put extra signs up. Leaflets have also been received to be distributed alongside the village newsletter.
- The Clerk has contacted Playdale regarding the rotten pots identified in the Rospa Report, and is currently awaiting prices for replacement.
- It was reported that Milburn PC have notified TSPC of a cycle event that will be passing through the village in June. Awaiting further details.
- The issue of flooding outside the Village Hall was discussed and it was reported that the water was almost entering the building following recent heavy rain. Water is not draining away. Clerk has reported to Highways. The issue of a drain near the playground was also raised by a parishioner who had reported it today. Clerk will follow up with Highways regarding both drains. If this is unsuccessful, it may be necessary to ask Metcalfes to unblock the drains.
- The suitability for the surface of the Village Green for access to the Village Hall was discussed. It was queried whether the cobbles that are in front of the Village Hall were not accessible for people with poor mobility and whether a path could be put down. Discussion was held regarding this and the type of path that could suitably be laid to combat the problem but also be in keeping with the conservation area. It was also discussed that the views of the Victory Hall committee should be sought regarding access to the hall. Clerk to contact the committee and also planning to enquire if any planning permission would be required for a path to be laid.
- The Parish Council noticeboard will be removed and renovated by Mr Tinkler in the near future

### **Item 9 – Friends of Eden Valley Public Transport**

- A representative for Temple Sowerby is still required. AM will attend the next meeting.

## Item 10 – Speeding through the Village

- The clerk has liaised with PC Black at Cumbria Constabulary regarding the Community Speedwatch Scheme. 6 volunteers would be required with 3 available at any one time to operate the equipment. Cumbria Constabulary would provide full training and all equipment and the village could expect to have use of the equipment once every five weeks on average. Cumbria Constabulary would provide a risk assessment and identify safe areas to speed check from, but it falls to the volunteers to decide the frequency of checks undertaken. However checks must be done in daylight hours. Any motorists travelling at over 35mph would have details recorded and Cumbria Constabulary would send out letters, with repeat offenders followed up.
- JR raised the point that most people who speed through the village are doing so at 50-60mph at night and queried what could be done about these. Clerk to liaise with PC Black to highlight this issue and obtain further advice.
- It was agreed that a piece could be placed in the Courier asking for volunteers for the Community Speedwatch. Clerk to arrange.

## Item 11 – Election

- HSC informed the Parish Council that he would be standing in the upcoming elections and hoped to be successful
- The clerk informed councillors of the procedure for nomination for the post of parish councillor in the upcoming elections. EDC will publish the Notice of Election on 20<sup>th</sup> March, and nomination forms could be submitted directly to EDC from this date until 4pm on 3<sup>rd</sup> April. The clerk will then be informed by the end of April whether the parish is uncontested or whether there will be an election. Nomination forms were distributed to councillors.

## Item 12 – Accounts and Financial Report

<b>Income:</b>	1 Crossfell View – Jan & Feb	£ 540.00
	2 Crossfell View – Jan & Feb	£ 640.00
	3 Crossfell View – Jan & Feb	£ 411.68
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£ 1591.68</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>	Clerks Salary (Jan)	£ 444.43
	Clerks salary (Feb)	£ 444.43
	Countrywide (Dec & Jan)	£ 594.00
	Clerks expenses	£ 74.80
Balances at		
28/02/2019:	Community Account	£ 3641.89
	Business Money Manager Account	£ 4804.16
	Penrith Building Society (Maypole Account)	£ 1183.59

Penrith Building Society (Parish Houses Account) £12161.30

Cheques to authorise:

Clerks Expenses	£ 52.68
Countrywide (Feb & Mar)	£594.00
Arnison Heelis	£ 30.00

- The bank reconciliation was presented to the councillors and signed

**Item 13 - Correspondence**

An email was received from the Village Hall Committee thanking councillors for their generosity in donating to the Victory Hall late last year and enquiring of a further amount could be donated to assist with completion of the downstairs works. Councillors agreed to discuss this at the next meeting.

All correspondence received since the last meeting has been circulated. The clerk reminded councillors that any comments regarding the Draft Council Plan or Housing Supplementary Planning Document need to be submitted by 19<sup>th</sup> March.

The Chair thanked those present and announced that the next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2019 at 7pm.

Meeting closed at 8.15pm

Signed ..... Date .....