

CASTLE CARROCK & GELTSDALE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
Wednesday 9th May 2012, Watson Institute

MINUTES

Present: : Councillors George Devereux, Guy Widdowson, Derek Knight, Richard Johnstone, Keith Brown, Dave Hassall, David Low

In attendance: Doreen Parsons (Carlisle City Council), Brian Edmundson (Internal auditor), Tricia Meynell (Clerk)

1. Apologies.

Cllr.Nick Marriner

2. Declaration of interests.

Richard Johnstone declared an interest in agenda item 6b.

3. Minutes.

The minutes of the meeting held on 8th March 2012 were agreed as a true record and were duly signed by the Chairman

4. Agenda Items

a. Jubilee weekend activities update – Cllr. Low. Plans are progressing in accordance with original ideas, bar a slight change in nature the dance to be held on Monday 4th June – the theme is now 1950's through to present day. Bunting is being made, but some bunting may need to be bought.

b. Money promised to the organisers of the Jubilee celebrations by the parish council is not required this evening but will likely be needed at a later date at which point a request will be made, as agreed at previous meeting.

c. "Neighbourhood Plan". Following the presentation by Chris Hardman of Carlisle City Council Planning department, it was agreed that the Parish Council should work in tandem with the City Council in producing a viable Neighbourhood Plan. Zoe Sutton from the City Council will be invited to address the parish council in July so that we can clarify what action needs to be taken. Cllr Johnstone suggested that it might be good to set up a working group to deal with this. It was agreed that subsequent to the meeting with Zoe Sutton it would become clear how best to tackle the issue, and how to involve the electorate. The Parish Council will agree a framework and proceed accordingly.

5. Correspondence – letters and emails received were viewed and discussed where appropriate. As per previous years, the Parish Council will decline the request to subscribe to the Playing Fields Association.

6. Financial Matters - Statement of account and bills to pay as follows:

a. Reimbursement of office expenses to parish clerk £5.00

b. Cheque to Geltsdale Arts for MoM - £200 – as agreed at meeting on 11.1.2012

c. Annual subscription due to CALC - £121 – a cheque was written

d. To note that annual precept has been received into bank account £4,340.00

e. Clerk's salary scale –as agreed in March 2008, NALC Salary scale Point. 19 should be reached in 2012 – hence the monthly salary will rise accordingly to £9.25 per hour.

7. Planning Matters.

a. 12/0096 – Erection of porch to front elevation – 2 Rectory Rd, Castle Carrock –

To note that permission for the above has been granted.

a. 12/0274- Extension to vestry to provide disabled W/C and tea room – St Peter's Church.

Plans were viewed by all present – no adverse comments or observations.

8. Councillor's Issues –

With regard to the leaking drain on the road towards Geltsdale between Garth Foot and Garth Foot Farm, it was agreed that this should be rectified as soon as possible since it is partially a discharge of foul water and therefore poses a health hazard. It was noted that the leak is probably caused by BT Open Reach when installing a new telegraph pole. The City Council Engineer has been informed but it is possible that United Utilities might be responsible for the repair since it is a roadside leakage. The clerk will follow up on this matter.

The meeting closed at 21.15

Date of next meeting. Wed 11th July 2012