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The following are the minutes of the Colton Parish Council meeting held on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2018 in Colton Church Hall 7pm.

**Members Present:** Cllr Dean, Cllr Hoyle Cllr Milburn, Cllr Watson Cllr Jarvis, Cllr Brown, Cllr Baxter, K. Birch (Clerk),

**Also present:** 4 members of the public

	<b>ACTION</b>
<b>023/18 Apologies</b> Cllr Coward District Councillor (Attending another meeting)	
<b>024/18 Appointment of Vice-Chair for Council Year 2018/19</b> Cllr Brown proposed Cllr Hoyle as Vice-Chair, Cllr Jarvis seconded, all were in favour Cllr Hoyle was elected vice-chair and signed a declaration of Acceptance of Office	
<b>025/18 Minutes of Last Meetings</b> It was resolved that the Chair be authorised to sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on <u>Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2018</u> as a true record.	
<b>026/18 Declarations of Interest</b> None	
<b>027/18 Requests for Dispensations</b> None	
<b>028/18 Public Participation</b> PCSO Harris was unable to attend, Clerk read out a Police report provided. There were 8 calls for service during the period 1st April 2018 – 9th June 2018; 3 incidences of Highway Disruption, 2 Concerns for welfare – both found safe and well, 1 Civil dispute, 2 Crimes of theft – The carpark pay machines at High Dam and a grit container from the Bobbin Mill. A reminder to lock vehicles, outbuildings and garages due to a spate of rural thefts across Cumbria.	
<b>029/18 Update on Issues and Actions from Last Meeting</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Verge spraying, Bouth. There have been no further concerns regarding this.</li> <li>• Speed action group, Lowick. Clerk contacted Lowick PC; they have concerns over the speed of vehicles within their parish but no action group. Lowick PC were asked if they would be interested in joint initiative work, Lowick Clerk to take to council meeting in July</li> <li>• Sparks Bridge damaged drain – Despite much effort Cllr Brown has not as yet managed to get OpenReach to sort this problem, they are however aware of the issue.</li> <li>• Newby Bridge Parking – Swan Hotel area. Residents reported only 2 or 3 cars parked on road during late May bank holiday. Still concerned for vehicle safety as parked on blind bend. Clerk to request Cllr Brereton contacts Swan to discuss.</li> <li>• Litter working group – Cllr Brown &amp; Cllr Jarvis – formed but yet to meet</li> <li>• Nibthwaite phone box inspection – Cllr Milburn completed, minor actions identified Clerk to arrange for door to be oiled, vegetation cut back, and windows cleaned</li> <li>• GDPR- Cllr Hoyle to do a catch-up at next meeting</li> <li>• High Dam – Cllr Baxter to contact LDPNA ranger regarding both Litter and dog poo at High Dam</li> </ul>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Cllr Hoyle</p> <p>Cllr Baxter</p>
<b>030/18 Comments from District and County Councillors</b> No District or County Councillors were present, and no reports received	
<b>031/18 Planning</b> <u>The following planning applications were discussed:</u> <b>7/2018/5135</b> - Opening up door way, staircase and viewing platform. Pennington Lodge Tower, Finsthwaite. A proposal was made to SUPPORT the application, all were in favour. Clerk to respond and include concerns residents had raised with regards visibility, public access and tree works. <u>The following planning applications approved were noted:</u>	<p>Clerk</p>

7/2018/5087 - Removal of spoil from development site. Lakeside YMCA (Colton PC NEUTRAL)	
<p><b>032/18 Living Lakes – Your Local Plan Review</b> <a href="http://www.lakedistrict.gov.uk/planning/local-plan-review">http://www.lakedistrict.gov.uk/planning/local-plan-review</a></p> <p>4 members of the public expressed their concerns which can be summarised as;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Why has Colton Parish been dropped as a quiet area? Why are we not protecting what we have now?</li> <li>• How will the extra tourist vehicles get to the Hubs of Coniston and Grizedale, where is the infrastructure to support this?</li> <li>• How can the money be guaranteed to stay within the local economy? Additional tourist providers could be from outside the area. Local businesses already struggling to staff existing outlets.</li> <li>• Why is there no reference made to the Parishes Community Plan?</li> <li>• Isn't it risky to let 'market forces' be a deciding factor</li> </ul> <p>Councillors had concerns listed above and also;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How can traffic management be considered by LDNPA when it is out of their control and under CCC</li> <li>• Why is this plan so different to what was in the previous version?</li> </ul> <p>It was resolved to create a working group to draft a response on behalf of the parish council. This is to consist of Cllr Dean, Cllr Brown and Cllr Jarvis supported by M.Lane as a member of the public with previous experience of Local Plan responses. Clerk will submit final response. Poster to be done for noticeboards to encourage residents to have their say.</p>	Clerk
<p><b>033/18 Highways and Lengthsman</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Lengthsman has spent most of the previous month strimming. The dry weather and therefore lack of blocked drains has meant the grass cutting schedule can be followed.</li> <li>• Other highways issues have been covered elsewhere in the agenda.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>034/18 Finance Working Group Report and Recommendations</b></p> <p>From meeting held 21/05/18, Cllr Dean, Cllr Jarvis and Clerk as RFO present</p> <p><u>Councillors considered and either approved or noted the recommendations of the Finance WG,</u> for the following items:</p> <p>Accounts for 2017/18 Insurance cover for FY 18/19 Asset Register for FY 18/19</p> <p><u>The following were note and where required signed :</u></p> <p>Internal audit: Review of scope and plan conducted by the Finance WG. Internal audit for FY 17/18 completed: Report for FY 17/18 and Plan for 18/19 prepared. To receive the internal audit 2017/18 To sign Certificate of Exemption 2017/18 To sign Internal Audit Report 2017/18 To sign Annual Governance Statement 2017/18 To sign Accounting Statement 2017/18 Clerk to post certificate of exemption and to add necessary items to the parish website as per requirements</p>	Clerk
<p><b>035/18 Accounts</b></p> <p><u>The following payments were noted:</u> 000930 – Council Insurance, Community First <b>£510.35</b> 000931 – A.Workman – May Lengthsman Hours <b>£168</b></p> <p><u>The following payments were approved:</u> 000932 – David Oldham, reimbursement for materials for Oxen Park bench siting <b>£64.32</b></p> <p><u>The following receipts received were noted:</u> Parish Precept, SLDC <b>£12498.61</b> Parish Grant, SLDC <b>£272.39</b></p> <p>It was noted that councillors are entitled to; claim mileage and an annual councillors allowance</p>	
<p><b>036/18 Grant Awards</b></p> <p>It was noted that councillors agreed to the promoting of applications for the Colton PC grant fund. It was decided to use the application form from last year and that forms should be returned to the clerk by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> Sep for consideration at the council meeting on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> Sep. Clerk to produce a poster for notice boards and the Colton Link (Cllr Hoyle to circulate)</p>	Clerk Cllr Hoyle
<p><b>037/18 Community Action Plan update</b></p> <p>Cllr Dean presented his portfolio update for Housing &amp; other development; Housing survey – Suggestion for one to be started end of 2018. Cllr Dean to contact Alistair Cameron with regards the work he has done on housing surveys. Housing stock identified within the parish. Cllr Milburn to complete Nibthwaite one then they are all complete. Landscape &amp; Environment to be presented at next meeting</p>	Cllr Dean  Cllr Jarvis
<p><b>038/18 Meetings</b></p> <p><u>There were no reports received as no meetings had been attended</u> <u>The following upcoming meetings were noted</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CALC District Association Meeting – 14th June, 7pm, Kendal Town Hall – Cllr Dean</li> </ul>	

<p><b>040/18 Correspondence</b></p> <p>The following correspondence was brought to councillor's attention David Oldham's work on Oxen Park telephone box. The councillors thanked David for his work on both the bench and the phone box. Clerk to email.</p> <p>Letter read out from resident summarising what LDNPA had said about 4x4 vehicles and the use of 'green lanes' (with specific reference to Langdales and Tlberthwiate but relevant to Bethacar Common). Cllr Jarvis took correspondence to consider at LDNPA local review.</p>	<p><b>Clerk</b></p>
<p><u>Correspondence List</u></p> <p><b>CALC/NALC</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Survey – Planning vs Building control</li> <li>• Cumbria litter pick info</li> </ul> <p><b>CCC</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10 x Commons Notice – None for Colton</li> </ul> <p><b>SLDC</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Info on change to planning distribution</li> <li>• License applications – None for Colton PC</li> </ul> <p><b>LDNPA</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Planning decisions – 7/2018/5087 approved</li> <li>• Planning decisions – 7/2017/5749 &amp; 7/2018/5141 approved</li> <li>• Planning decisions – None for Colton Parish</li> <li>• Planning decisions – None for Colton Parish</li> <li>• Planning decisions – None for Colton Parish</li> </ul> <p><b>Other Correspondence</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Request for help researching boathouse and footbridge nr Lakeside</li> <li>• Conserving Coniston &amp; Crake Newsletter</li> <li>• CVS – Invite to vulnerable people in emergencies workshop</li> <li>• Information on use of highways by off-road vehicles</li> </ul>	
<p><b>041/18 Date of Next Meeting</b></p> <p>The next meeting was confirmed as a Parish Council Meeting on <u>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2018 in Rusland Reading Rooms starting at 7pm.</u></p>	