



## COLTON PARISH COUNCIL

	2021. Sara reported increase in litter picking patrols and monitoring of car parking plus educating of the public to promote good behaviour.	
32/2021	<p><b>Local Government Reorganisation (LGR) in Cumbria consultation update:</b> Cllr Henson reported on the recent meeting held by CALC to provide an update on the four options being proposed. The views and preferences are varied and the consultation ends on 15<sup>th</sup> April. Cllr Dean proposed that individuals should respond personally and Cllr Henson agreed to send the link to councillors to facilitate this.</p>	<p><b>ALL</b></p> <p><b>BH</b></p>
33/2021	<p><b>Elections 2021 update:</b> The Parish Clerk provided an update on the process and timescales for the 6<sup>th</sup> May 2021 elections taking place across the Parish. Members were advised to contact the Clerk with any queries and updates would be provided on an ongoing basis.</p>	
34/2021	<p><b>Community grant applications:</b> Grant applications were received as outlined below and it was agreed that all met the criteria as outlined and thus all were approved. Due to the impending end of the financial year, it was agreed that cheques and confirmatory letters would be sent immediately following the meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Bouth Village Green Committee for £355</li> <li>b. Finsthwaite and Lakeside Village Hall for £150</li> <li>c. Oxen Park Reading Room for £400</li> <li>d. Rusland Reading Room for £300</li> <li>e. Tottlebank Baptist Church for £250</li> <li>f. Bandrake Head for £100</li> <li>g. Crosslands junction WITHDRAWN</li> </ul>	<p><b>JH</b></p>
35/2021	<p><b>Highways and Lengthsman:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Bouth, Snows junction update: Mr R Smith previously reported the poor condition of the road surface of a recently repaired stretch of road, adjacent to the Snows junction, in Bouth. Following receipt of an email from the Clerk when Highways were asked to resurface it again, they advised that the surface was a trial material and that they were going to monitor the road for further changes.</li> </ul>	
36/2021	<p><b>Climate change, sustainability and the environment:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Cllr Baxter advised of the Greening Campaign meeting that took place on 16/2 and suggested that Colton PC should combine with other parishes in the area. The Greening Campaign Organiser (Terena Plowright) recommends a minimum of 250 houses and a maximum of 8000. Ideally with a school. It is important for the area to have its own identity so that all the residents in that area feel connected. Cllr Baxter made a number of suggestions based on population size, each with merits, and next steps for Colton PC is to agree how, and with whom, to take this forward considering population sizes locally (2011 figures-ENMO 1161, Lowick 227, Satterthwaite 215 cf Colton PC 672)</li> <li>b. Greening our highways, £1.2 million fund: Cllrs Bennett, Henson and Brown and the Parish Lengthsman produced a summary of ideas to progress at a PC level and Cllr Bennett proposed that the list be further developed for discussion at a future PC meeting.</li> </ul>	<p><b>ALL</b></p> <p><b>MB</b></p>

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	<p>Cllr Hoyle suggested that the PC should form a partnership with Rusland Horizons and Cllr Brown agreed to take this away for consideration.</p>	
<p>37/2021</p>	<p><b>Planning:</b></p> <p>a. To consider and respond to the following planning applications:</p> <p>i) 7/2021/5164 at Hulleter Farm, Oxen Park, LA12 8HH (NOI). Erection of steel portal frame agricultural building to store farm machinery, equipment and straw bales. Noted by the PC.</p> <p>ii) 7/2021/5185 at Old Cottage, Oxen Park, LA12 8HG. Single storey extension.</p> <p>The PC had received a lot of correspondence in relation to this application and OBJECTED to the application. Cllr Henson agreed to draft a response on behalf of the PC for the Parish Clerk to submit.</p> <p>iii) 7/2020/5326 at Black Beck Caravan Park, Bouth, LA12 8JN. 12-month occupation appeal.</p> <p>The PC agreed to comment on the appeal as it had previously OBJECTED to this application. Cllr Dean agreed to draft a response for the Parish Clerk to submit to the inspector leading the appeal on behalf of the PC.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">BH/JH</p> <p style="text-align: center;">KD/JH</p>
<p>38/2021</p>	<p><b>Finance, Accounts and Audit</b></p> <p>a. The following payments were approved:</p> <p>i. Clerk salary (February/March) £376.40/£376.40</p> <p>ii. Clerk expenses: (Homeworking allowance and postage stamps) £47.85</p> <p>iii. HMRC Q4 payment £282.40</p> <p>iv. Dave Hamer (Village Green expenses) £59.88</p> <p>v. FCC recycling (Bouth Playground Safety Surface Grant contribution) £936.43</p> <p>b. The following proposals were noted and approved by the Parish Council:</p> <p>i. <i>“Colton Parish Council notes and approves the contents of the Parish Risk Register and we confirm that the Parish Council maintains an adequate system of internal control measures to detect and prevent fraud”</i></p> <p>ii. <i>“Colton Parish Council notes and approves the contents of the Parish Asset Register as a true record of assets belonging to the Parish”</i></p> <p>c. Council noted the payment of £936.43 (see above) as the contributing third party for the FCC grant for the Bouth Playground safety surface as agreed at the meeting on 26/11/20.</p>	

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39/2021	<p><b>Correspondence shown below was noted as information by the Council:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Visitor Management Plan, Coniston consultation deadline 24/3/21. Cllr Hoyle agreed to draft a response to LDNPA supporting the plan and suggesting additional areas to be considered in future.</li> <li>b. Emergency Appeal for donations from the North West Air Ambulance charity. The PC agreed to donate £150 to this appeal.</li> <li>c. CALC/CCC joint meeting held on 4/3/21, no update available</li> <li>d. Cumbria in Bloom</li> <li>e. Anonymous letter received by Cllr Dean RE Old Hall Farm</li> <li>f. Parish member election to the LDNPA, deadline 27/5/21. Individuals to advise if they were interested in being nominated by the PC.</li> <li>g. The Old Cottage, planning objection from M Oldham</li> </ul>	<p><b>DH</b></p> <p><b>JH</b></p> <p><b>ALL</b></p>
25/2021	<p><b>Date and time of next meeting</b></p> <p>The next meeting will be the Parish Open meeting taking place on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm via Zoom, sign-in details TBC in advance.</p>	<p><b>ALL</b></p>