COLTON PARISH COUNCIL

20 March 2024

Dear Sir/Madam,

You are summoned to attend the Colton Parish Council Meeting being held in Finsthwaite and Lakeside Village Hall on **Monday 25**th **March at 7pm**. Please let the Parish Clerk know in advance if you plan to attend and wish to speak on a specific matter.

Julie Hendry, Clerk to Council, clerk@coltonparishcouncil.org.uk

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies: Cllr Bennett
- **2. Minutes of Last Meeting:** To authorise the Chair to sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 26 February 2024 as a true record.
- **3. Declarations of Interest:** To receive declarations of interest by members in respect of items on this agenda
- **4. Requests for Dispensations:** The Clerk to report any requests received for dispensations to speak and/or vote on any matter where a member has a disclosable pecuniary interest

5. Public Participation

- a. Community participation:
 - i) Co-option of Ian Wharton as a Parish Councillor
 - ii) Parking and the road condition of the Newby Bridge/Finsthwaite Road
- b. Unitary Authority update: Cllr Pender
- 6. Update on actions from the previous meeting (not covered elsewhere on the agenda): NIL
- 7. Agreement of 2024/25 PC meeting dates (previously circulated): ALL
- 8. Colton Parish Community Plan update:
 - a. Community Plan document status: Cllr Brown
 - b. End of consultation community celebration event and launch of the Community Plan: Cllr Brown
 - c. Esmee Fairbairn meeting: Cllr Brown
- 9. Colton Community matters and the environment:
 - a. 2024 Parish Council elections
 - b. Defibrillator update in Finsthwaite: Cllr Taylor
 - c. Update on recent activity on the Open Space land in Bouth: Cllr Dean
 - d. Request for sites for placement of mobile SID: ALL
 - e. Westmorland and Furness Authority consultation on a nature strategy: ALL
 - f. Rusland Show preparation: ALL
 - g. 20mph application in Spark Bridge for information (previously circulated)

10. Highways and lengthsman: ALL

- a. Meeting with John Ingle to discuss Nibthwaite track/TROs (27th March): ALL
- b. Road sweeping near Crooks Farm, Bouth: Cllr Brown
- c. New issues for reporting to Highways and Parish Lengthsman

11.Planning

a. To consider and respond to the following planning applications: NIL

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- b. Planning applications responded to, awaiting LDNPA decision:
 - 7/2024/5050 at Lakeside Cottage, Lakeside, LA12 8AU. Replacement dwelling variation of condition 1 (plans) and condition 2 (finished materials) of planning permission 7/2022/5203 (variation of planning permission 7/2012/5054). CPC NEUTRAL
 - ii) 7/2023/5504 at Old School House, Bouth, LA12 8JQ. Change of use etc, CPC OBJECTED
- c. LDNPA decisions- for information only
 - i) 7/2023/5637 at High End House, Finsthwaite, LA12 8BJ. Replace existing septic tank serving 6 properties with a package sewage treatment plant. CPC SUPPORTED, LDNPA APPROVED
 - ii) 7/2023/5643 at Close Foot, Spark Bridge, LA12 8BT. Demolition of lean-to outbuilding and construction of new 2 storey side extension. CPC NEUTRAL, APPLICATION WITHDRAWN
 - iii) 7/2023/5834 at 1 Cragg Brow, Bouth, LA12 8JQ. Erection of entrance porch to side elevation of bungalow for disabled access to property. CPC NEUTRAL, LDNPA APPROVED

12. Finance, Assets, Governance and Audit:

- a. To approve the following payments:
 - i) London Hearts, donation for defibrillator, £750.00 (to note, payment agreed on 26/2)
 - ii) Lengthsman payment (February) £180.00
 - iii) Temple Heelis, legal advice, £420.00
 - iv) Oxen Park Reading Room, room hire, £20.00
 - v) Bouth Village Hall, room hire, £60.00
 - vi) Dave Higgs, defib pads, Oxen Park, £56.34
 - vii) Clerk salary (March) £500.97 (NB SO is £457.84)
 - viii) Clerk Q4 expenses, £143.10
 - ix) HMRC Q4 payment, £375.60
- b. To appoint Charlene Iredale as the internal auditor for the period 2023/4

13. Correspondence (to note, as previously circulated), consultations and meetings attended:

- a. Email from CALC seeking nominations for CALC Board member for South Lakeland
- b. Notification of Windermere Marathon on 18th May
- c. Emails from a member of the public in relation to Open Space land in Bouth
- d. Email from a member of the public sharing a response from National Highways in relation to litter collection at Greenodd roundabout
- e. Email from a member of the public in relation to pesticide spraying and the condition of specific drystone walls in Bouth

14. Newsletter Items

- a. Parish Open meeting
- b. Noticeboard volunteers
- c. PC elections and co-options

15. Items for the next agenda

- a. PC election update
- b. AGAR preparation

16. Date and time of next meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council, the Annual PC meeting, will take place at 7pm on Monday 20th May 2024 at Bouth Village Hall (TBC).

Please note that the Annual Meeting of the Parish takes place on Saturday 18th May at Rusland Reading Rooms, time tbc, more information to follow via Colton Link and the website