

COLTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT FINSTHWAITE AND LAKESIDE VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY 25th MARCH 2024

Present: Cllr Brown (in the chair), Cllr Dean, Cllr Jarvis, Cllr Taylor and J Hendry (Clerk: clerk@coltonparishcouncil.org.uk)

In attendance: PCSO Paul Harris was in attendance

Minute no	Action Point	Person
144/2023	Apologies: Cllr Bennett	
145/2023	Minutes of Last Meeting The Chair was authorised to sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 26 February 2024 as a true record of what was discussed.	
146/2023	Declarations of interest in respect of items on this agenda: None received	
147/2023	Requests for dispensations: None received	
148/2023	Public participation: a. Community participation: i) Co-option of Ian Wharton as a Parish Councillor: Ian Wharton was unanimously agreed to be co-opted as a Parish Councillor. The Acceptance of Office and Declaration of Interests papers will be posted for signing as required. ii) Parking and the road condition of the Newby Bridge/Finsthwaite Road. A member of the public raised the matter of the condition of the road and the issue of poor parking leading to a narrowing and obstruction for vehicles travelling in either direction. Cllr Taylor provided an update on recent discussions and advised that this issue is on the PC priority list. b. Unitary Authority update: None provided as Cllr Pender was not present at the meeting.	
149/2023	Update on action from the previous meeting: NIL	
150/2023	Agreement of 2024/25 PC meeting dates (previously circulated): The PC agreed with the meeting dates as proposed and previously circulated.	
151/2023	Colton Parish Community Plan update: a. Community Plan document status: Cllr Brown reported that the topics would be condensed to reduce the duplication and to produce a shorter, more succinct plan by the end of April. All Councillors would be involved in completing this work. b. End of consultation community celebration event and launch of the Community Plan: Cllr Brown advised that the celebratory event would be held at Rusland Reading Room on 18 th May (10-12) with tea and cake provided. Invitees include Cllr Pender, Carole Barr (ACT) and Mike Postlethwaite who have been invited by Cllr Bennett. c. Esmee Fairbairn meeting: Cllr Brown reported on a successful meeting held with ACT which had previously been circulated. Council thanked Cllr Brown for all her efforts in pulling the work together and on achievement of grant funding in support of this.	ALL

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156/2023	<p>Correspondence shown below was noted by the Council (relevant documents were previously circulated):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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. It was agreed that the MoP would be written to advising of the safety (and cost) issues. e. Email from a member of the public in relation to pesticide spraying and the condition of specific drystone walls in Bouth. Agreed that this is a civil matter and clerk would respond to MoP accordingly. 	JH
157/2023	<p>Items for the newsletter: The following items were raised by Council for inclusion in the newsletter:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Parish Open meeting b. Noticeboard volunteers c. PC elections and co-options 	
158/2023	<p>Items for the next PC agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. 2024 Parish Council elections in May PC election update b. AGAR preparation 	
159/2023	<p>Date and time of next meeting</p> <p>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).</p> <p>Please note that the Annual Meeting of the Parish takes place on Saturday 18th May at Rusland Reading Rooms, (10-12), more information to follow via Colton Link and the website.</p>	ALL