

Irton with Santon Parish Meeting
Minutes
Monday 24th October 2022

Members Steve Glasson (SG) – Chair
Tonia Noakes (Nee Duffy) - Clerk
Trish Adams (TA)
Ian Warren (IW)
Mark Graham (MG)
Ken Noakes (KN)
Eric Robson (ER)

49-10/22 Apologies: Trish Adams

50-10/22 Approve Minutes of last meeting 8th August 2022 also to include any matters arising. Minutes approved and signed by Chairman

51-10/22 Declaration of interest if a councillor has an interest in the matter being discussed he or she would need to declare it and act in accordance with the Code of Conduct adopted by the council;

- a. Register of Interests: Councillors are reminded of the need to update their register of interests.
- b. To declare any personal interests in items on the agenda and their nature.
- c. To declare any prejudicial interests in items on the agenda and their nature (Councilors with prejudicial interests must leave the room for the relevant items)

None declared

52-10/22 Footpaths

TN had been in contact with Chris Ventrioso to arrange a meeting to refresh what CV needed to help in the footpath project. As requested in the last parish meeting TN had contacted Adam Phillips LDNP Area Ranger for 1. An update on the stile in disrepair at Hallflat Farm and 2. To outline how the Parish Council were working with Chris Ventrioso to identify and improve the footpaths in the Parish and request a numbered footpath map. KN said that he had a map that may be useful to CV which he would pass on.

MG commented that the Bridleway at Parkgate was very boggy and impassable and there was a need to establish who was responsible for the upkeep. TN asked if a map reference could be provided so that it could be reported to the LDNP and find out who was responsible. SG said he would provide TN with a map reference.

53-10/22 Planning Matters

7/2022/4093 Location: 2 Bower House Cottages, Irton, Holmrook, CA19 1TD Proposal: Erection of a 3-bay garage Reply by: 21 November 2022

Planning application discussed – no objections.

□ Planning matters relating to 2 Mount Pleasant ongoing updates

TN had contacted Julie Birkett as requested by councillors at the last meeting to express the Parish Councils disappointment in the LDNP response, especially highlighted when other local residents in the area follow the guidelines set out by the LDNP. TN also asked the LDNP how they prioritize the 600 cases and questioned how this figure was so different to the Westmorland Gazette article provided by IW in which the LDNP quoted 'In the year ending March 2022, the LDNPA served 34 Planning enforcement notices'.

54-10/22 Parish Plan - Survey Update

TN provided the data that had been received so far from the survey responses. (Please see attached). TN to make one further request for completed surveys and an update of data will be provided at the next meeting for action by the Parish Council. As at the 24.10.22 the survey showed that Q1 Working with Highways to improve the quality of road conditions and Q3 Addressing Road safety issues re speeding and clear signage were both top of the list of importance to residents followed by Q2 Improving Broadband and mobile coverage.

55-10/22 Parish Clerk and Financial Update

TN said that the NatWest Bank account was now open. NatWest had contacted TN to say that unfortunately dual signatory cannot be offered at the standard on-line banking tariff. To have an account with second authorization it was £10-£15 a month and tended to be used by larger organizations. Also, Parish Councils were not considered community accounts and it would therefore have to be standard business account. As the Parish Council were in an urgent situation where they did not have a bank account TN went ahead with the single signatory for now with a view that any changes could be made if required. IW asked if it was a requirement to have two signatories by CALC. TN replied that she would find out. In the meantime, until this question is answered then the Parish Clerk would list all payments that needed to be made online and these would be approved by the Chairman/Councillors. TN had paid the closing balance from HSBC of £11453.97 in at the Whitehaven Branch. SG asked for proof of this, TN opened the Bank Account APP and showed the councillors the NatWest Bank Account showing the cleared balance of £11453.97

TN said that the following payments needed to be made.

HSBC Cheque No: 100116 dated 15th August 2022 for £103.46 reimbursement to Tonia Noakes Parish Clerk for the cost of the Parish Survey for Postage Stamps, envelopes, label and Paper. (Receipts had been provided and approved at the meeting on the 15th August 2022). This cheque had not been cashed as the HSBC bank account was closed.

£103.46 now due to Parish Clerk.

HSBC Cheque No: 100117 dated 15th August 2022 for £211.64 Parish Clerk Salary for months June 2022 and July 2022. This cheque had not been cashed as HSBC bank account was closed.

£211.64 now due to Parish Clerk for salary for June and July 2022

SG asked to be provided with the last Bank Account statement from HSBC showing the closing balance.

Tonia Noakes Parish Clerk had also paid BT.com out of her own bank account to prevent the internet service being ceased at Santon Village due to non-payment as the HSBC account that the direct debit had been set up for had closed.

£44.19 20.9.22 reimbursement to Tonia Noakes Parish Clerk for BT.com

£44.19 19.10.22 reimbursement to Tonia Noakes Parish Clerk for BT.com

£211.64 Parish Clerk Salary for August & Sept 2022

£105.82 Parish Clerk Salary for October 2022

£24.00 Calico Domain Name for website now due

£29.90 Spangle fish now due

£330.00 for ATG for Parish Council Public Liability Insurance due on the 24.11.22

Discussion took place with regards to the BT charges for internet. SG looked on-line and said there were cheaper packages. MG also said that Vodafone packages were only £28.00 TN said the packages that they were looking at were internet only and that when the original BT package was taken out it was agreed by councillors that the Village Hall also needed a landline for emergency use. All agreed that this was now not the case as a 4G signal was now available. TN to look for cheaper packages.

57-10/22 Councilors reports on meeting attended on behalf of the PC, items for future agendas. None

58-10/22 – Email received re Litter in layby just past Irton Flatts

SG opened the map provided by Calc and it showed that the above area was within the Drigg and Carleton Parish Council and to pass this information on.

59-10/22 Date of next meeting: Monday 28th November 2022 @ 7.30pm

Signature.....Date.....

Steve Glasson Chairman Irton with Santon Parish Council

