

Seascale Parish Council
Minutes
of the
Meeting of the Amenities Committee
held on
Thursday 10th December 2015 at 7pm
in Seascale Fire Station

Present Chair Cllr Eileen Eastwood
 Members Cllr Brian Goulding
 Cllr David Ritson
 Mrs Elizabeth Mawson

 Clerk Mr Ian Turner

Item

1 Apologies

Cllr Kenneth Mawson, Cllr Andrew Williams

2 Announcements from the Chair

None

3 Declarations of Interest by Councillors in respect of Agenda Items

None

4 Minutes of the previous meeting of the Amenities Committee of 9th September 2015

These were unanimously **proposed** as a fair and accurate record of the meeting.

4.1 Actions arising from those minutes

The Clerk reported that there hadn't been any convenient RoSPA courses running recently.

5 Public participation

None

6 To consider matters relating to external Parish Assets

6.1 To consider all matters relating to seating in the Parish

Mrs Mawson handed a list of benches to the Clerk. Mrs Mawson detailed the state of repair of the the benches around the Parish. It was her opinion that at least 22 benches needed varying levels of attention and maintenance. The Committee agreed to recommend the replacement of one of the benches at Hallsenna Road with one being stored by Cllr Moore. The Chair asked that the Clerk put this matter on the agenda for the full meeting in January. The Clerk **agreed** to do this.

6.2 To consider all matters relating to the seafront car park

Cllr Goulding presented the Clerk with his research into traffic flow signs for the car park. He asked the Clerk to relay this information to the full Council as he would not be present. The Clerk **agreed** to do this.

6.3 To consider all matters relating to pathways and the coast

The Clerk informed the Committee of the situation regarding the broken gabion on footpath 426017. He suggested that Cumbria County Council were unlikely to do anything to improve the situation, as intercession from the County Councillor had yielded no results.

6.4 To consider all matters relating to hygiene, litter and waste

The Chair was dismayed to see an increase in dog mess around the village. She said it was a pity that a few dog-owners were endangering public health through their anti-social behaviour. She said that the Council would now be monitoring offenders and sending their details to the warden.

6.5 To consider all matters relating to play areas and the BMX track

The Committee requested that the Clerk ask the Copeland Borough Council Parks Department to advise the Parish Council on the state of the Coniston Avenue Play Area. The Clerk **agreed** to do this.

6.6 To consider all matters relating to beautification, flowers and grass cutting

6.6a Mrs Mawson informed the Clerk that the Primary School had requested that the Parish adopt the Phone Box opposite the school for their use as an art gallery. The Clerk **agreed** to recommend this to the full Council.

6.6b Cllr Goulding informed the Committee that the Royal Mail had resolved to remove the post box from next to the Post Office.

7 To consider matters relating to other Parish Assets

7.1 The Committee asked the Clerk to put information relating to the Sports Hall on to the Parish website. The Clerk **agreed** to do this.

7.2 There are no outstanding matters relating to the Pavilion.

7.3 Cllr Goulding reported that the work on the toilets was now complete.

8 To consider all matters relating to Parish celebrations

The Chair discussed arrangements pertaining to the switching on of the lights.

9 Urgent Items Raised by Councillors

Cllr Ritson was pleased to learn that the recycling facilities were now operating as normal.

10 Schedule for the upcoming Meeting of the Amenities Committee

The next scheduled meeting of this Committee is 7pm on Wednesday 9th March 2016 in the Fire Station.