

Minutes
of the
Seascale Parish Council Meeting
held remotely and hosted by David Moore on
Wednesday 3rd February 2021

Present:

Chair	Cllr David Halliday
Councillors	Cllr Catherine Harvey-Chadwick Cllr ken Mawson Cllr David Moore Cllr Julie Savage
Clerk	Jill Bush
Public	Brian Goulding Brenda Parsons

ITEM

1. Apologises

Cllr Eileen Eastwood, Cllr L Mawson

2. Announcements from the Chair

The Chair attended a 3-tier meeting and reported there are several councils having difficulty with remote meetings. He thanked Cllr Moore for organising and booking meetings for SPC and that it was due to his efforts this council has been able to not only hold the monthly meetings, but also the annual meetings and any various other meetings required. It is possible remote meetings will be extended beyond the 31 March deadline.

3. Declarations of interest by councillors in respect to agenda items

None

4. Ratify the previous meeting's Minutes

Proposed by Cllr K Mawson, seconded by Cllr Savage

5. Matters arising

(5) Cllr K Mawson has been able to confirm the boreholes are designed to measure subsidence.

(10.1) The clerk advised CC Cllr Turner reported Bleawath is in the process of being dealt with and has been partially resolved, more work to be done.

(10.2) Cllr K Mawson reported only 5 dropped kerbs have been listed, not 7 as requested. Full list to be submitted again. Clerk to action. Actioned

(13.3) It has been noted since Cllr Eastwood has been unable to provide articles for the parish magazine, it has been devoid of any village news. The editor, Trevor Preece will contact SPC prior to publication so that an article can be submitted.

6. To consider any planning issues

None

7. Reports from Councillors and Working Groups

None

8. Finance Report

8.1 RFO balance of the reconciled Cash Book Balance for January is £61,553.51. One outstanding payment (£27.39).

8.2 The payments submitted for approval are:

06/01/2021	Waterplus	77.56	Toilet block water & drainage - Nov - Dec	BACS
06/01/2021	Corona Energy	40.64	1.94 Library Gas supply - Nov 2020	BACS
06/01/2021	Npower	21.44	1.02 Library Electric supply - Nov 2020	BACS
06/01/2021	Copeland BC	388.96	64.83 Coniston Avenue play area grass seed	BACS
06/01/2021	Copeland BC	3147.10	524.52 Coniston Avenue additional groundworks	BACS
06/01/2021	Copeland BC	2237.15	372.86 Open space & play area inspections Jan - Mar incl	BACS

9. To consider matters pertaining to Parish Assets

9.1 Library

The Chair received a correspondence from Copeland advising the May elections may still go ahead and requested they book the library for this, if required.

9.2 CCTV

Cllr Savage reported the footage is recorded and held on file for at least 2½ months. Space could be further saved if it was saved onto the hard drive.

9.3 Play Areas

The Coniston Avenue play area has proved to be popular with little children, as intended as it was designed specifically with them in mind.

9.4 Toilet Block

Continues to be cleaned daily. The paint in the disabled toilets is peeling slightly. This work will be listed for the spring.

9.5 BMX Track

9.6 This is a well-used amenity and Copeland is to be reminded of its obligations.

9.7 Christmas lights

These need to be replaced and this item needs to be added to the March agenda. Done

10 To consider matters relating to Highways and Transport

10.1 There is considerable concern over the state of the Seascale to Gosforth road and extreme disappointment about highways continued failure to recognize the danger of leaving this road in this condition, especially during the winter months for another year. Clerk to request the contact details of the new highways manager to extend an invitation to attend one of its meeting and to send the growing list of repairs. Update: CC Cllr Turner advised he has forwarded the SPC invitation to the new manager. Update: the new/temporary manager has contacted SPC and has been invited to attend a full council meeting.

The highways department is there to maintain an acceptable standard of the roads and this cost is met by the public. Letter and emails listing the problems have been sent, they have also been submitted via CCC preferred online procedure. All, have in effect, been ignored by the previous manager. It is hoped the new manager will be more receptive.

11 AOB/Urgent matters raised by Councillors

11.1 Cllr K Mawson reported serious erosion to the cliff below The Croft and Rueberry Drive to the south side of Seascale, and also at Drigg. there appears to be no management plan, which is a

pity given the Cumbrian coastal path lists Seascale here:

<https://www.visitcumbria.com/wc/the-cumbria-coastal-way/>

here:

<http://www.gps-routes.co.uk/routes/home.nsf/routeslinkswalks/cumbria-coastal-way-walking-route>

and here:

<https://www.cumbriacoastalway.org.uk/coast.html>

- 11.2** Several replacement lamps are needed for the shore lampposts. Cllr K Mawson contacted Mr Biggins, who has asked for the lamp numbers. Replacement lamps agreed by Council and for Cllr Mawson to continue to liaise with the contractor.
- 11.3** Cllr Savage asked if GDPR still applied. The clerk advised whilst GDPR is still on the UK statute, since formally leaving the EU it did not appear to be rigorously followed. Update: Whilst GDPR applied to trade with countries in the EU, the government also agreed to continue to be signed up to the EAW (European arrest warrant), subsequently, this continues to be applied, particularly where Data Protection transfer is applied.
- 11.4** Cllr Moore reported the Sports Hall has asked if it would receive a further £10,000 grant and was advised, it is not an automatic payment. However, if business rates are paid then they are entitled to apply for this and supplied a link to enable it to do so.
- 11.5** It is hoped the 1 day coast2coast cycle event will be able to take place this year.

12 Questions submitted by members of the public

Emails have been sent, but they only contain the same complaints which are repeatedly sent by the same parishioner. No questions received.

13 Other Correspondence

None – no response received following a request for further information from the defibrillator company.

14 Dates of forthcoming meetings

Full Council meeting Wednesday 3rd March 2021