

**WHICHAM PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 6 NOVEMBER 2019 IN
KIRKSANTON VILLAGE HALL COMMENCING AT 07.30PM**

PRESENT: Cllr A Fell (Chair), Cllr S Millar, Cllr M. Cumming, Cllr S Wilson, Cllr M Sharp,
Cty Cllr K Hitchen

83/19: APOLOGIES: Cllr C Lowery, Cllr P Rand, Cllr R Jopson

84/19 : Exclusions of Press and Public

Agenda item 12.9 would require the exclusion of press or public

85/19 Declarations of Interest

None

86/19 Minutes of the meeting held on 2nd October 2019

The minutes of the meeting held on 2nd October 2019 were approved and signed by the Chair.

87/19 Police Liaison Report

This had been previously circulated. The public to be encouraged to report all incidents that are non-urgent on 101.

88/19 PROGRESS REPORTS

88/19.1 Defibrillator

The Clerk reported that a Kirksanton Village Hall had agreed for it to be located on the outside and had received a quotation from an electrician for the installation of £120 plus vat. Cllr Sharp to obtain another quotation.

89/19 Public Participation Session

None present

90/19 County Councilor and Borough Councilor Report

Cty Cllr Hitchen stated that he was still awaiting the cost figures for the footpath to the beach. Due to family commitments he will be unable to attend all meetings, but would send reports where appropriate. He would attend where serious issues had to be raised.

91/19 Applications for Development

91/19.1 To examine applications for development and submit observations to the Planning Authority

4/19/2360 Outline Application (with all matters reserved) for the erection of a two storey three bedroomed house.

Standing Stones Farm Kirksanton

The council expressed concern that the proposed plans were unclear as to actual location of the proposed building. A local occupancy clause should be included in the permission. The proposed property should be in keeping with the surrounding properties.

91/19.2 To ratify the observations submitted by the Clerk under devolved

None

91/19.3 To note the decisions of the statutory planning authority with regards to recent applications:

7/2019/4071 Gate House Farm, Whitbeck

Covered yard and feed area

For information only

92/19 FINANCIAL RECORDS

92/19.1 The following payments were approved:

Waterplus	Toilet	£ 157.08
Whitbeck PCC	Grass cutting - October	£ 70.00
J Hillier	Toilet cleaning – October	£ 222.00
J Fell	Grass cutting Silecroft play area	£ 405.00

92/19.2 To note the receipt of payments

Bootle PC	course fees	£ 80.00
Millom Town Council	course fees	£ 100.00
Silecroft beach donation boxes		£ 96.25
CGP – towards cost of toilet refurb		£2500.00

Cllr Cumming reported that it was expected that there would be a cheque from the Whicham Church Donations at the end of December/Early January 2020. From January 2020 the Parish Council would be responsible for collecting the monies.

92/19.3 To receive and note the **bank reconciliation** statement

None received

92/19.4 To consider the **Budget Comparison Report** as at 31 October 2019 and determine action need to address deviations from the budget.

None required

92/19.5 To approve a draft budget for 2020/2021

The Clerk presented the amended draft budget to the Council for discussion. Subject to the Clerk's pay review, the budget was approved for a spend of £23173 and an income of £20996, the shortfall coming from reserves.

Proposed by Cllr Fell, seconded by Cllr Cumming

92/19.6 to approve the annual precept for 2020/21

It was resolved that the annual precept for 20/21 would be £19250

Proposes by Cllr Fell, Seconded by Cllr Sharpe,

93/19 PARISH MATTERS

93/19.1 Feedback from meeting between Parish Council, Copeland Borough Council and CIC re proposed new café.

The tender had now been placed on "the Chest" seeking bids for the architect design/

93/19.2 Silecroft Beach Front toilets

The Clerk was awaiting the start date from the contractor.

93/19.3 Trees on Parish Land

A quotation had been received and this was approved The Contractor to be given the go ahead to undertake the works.

93/19.4 Review of Community Plan

Cllr Cumming reported that this was ongoing and a meeting was being arranged with the core group.

93/19.5 Church car park

Cllr Fell is still investigating

9319.6 Play areas Inspection report

Cllr Sharpe to measure up Silecroft play area so that a quotation can be obtained to replace the fencing.

93/19.7 HMP Haverigg

Cty Cllr Hitchen reported that the changes had been raised at County level who was not anticipating any adverse impacts on local services... A letter had been received from the Governor inviting 2 councilors to attend a meeting. It was agreed to arrange a date in early January 2020.

93/19.8 VE Day Celebrations 8th May 2020

Deferred to the January meeting

93/19.9 Clerk's Appraisal and Pay review

A review had been undertaken. The latest pay scales to be circulated to councilors.

94/19 Reports from outside bodies

None

95/19 CORRESPONDENCE All correspondence had been circulated to councilors. The following had not been circulated.

- Correspondence had been received about a planning course. The Clerk to enquire if a course could be held at Kirksanton and also a Good Councilor course part 2 in the Spring

96/19 Councilor Matters

- Cllr Millar reported that she had created the design for the donation boxes. The Clerk to obtain quotes for aluminum signs.
- Cllr Cumming reported that Kirksanton Village Hall were investigating the laying of a disabled access to the lower hall using grass crates. It required permission of the Parish Council and the widening of the gate that accesses the children's play area and the installation of another gate.
- Cllr Wilson was chasing up the poppy wreaths for Remembrance Day
- Cllr Wilson reminded everyone about the whist drives and the donation of raffle prizes.
- Cllrs Fell and Sharpe stated that they would fill in the pot holes on Silecroft beach car park.
- The Clerk reported that Kirksanton were charging the Parish Council for meetings. Cllr Cumming to investigate

97/19 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – to confirm the meeting dates for **2020**. A list was presented to the council and it was agreed that all meetings would be held at Silecroft until the installation of the disabled access at Kirksanton.

The date of the next meeting will be 8th January 2020 at Silecroft Village Hall

There being no further business the meeting closed at 21.10

Signed..... Dated.....