

**Holme Low Parish Council**  
**Minutes of a meeting held on Tuesday 10 February 2015 at 7.30pm at Silloth Community Hall**

**Present**

Cllr. J. Graham (JG) – Chairman

**Councillors**

M. Wright (MW)    A. Sowden (AS)  
D. Findlay (DF)    M. Pearson (MP)

Also present:    Wendy Jameson – Town Clerk (WEJ).

<b>1.</b>	<b>Apologies</b> Cllr. N. Dainton.	
<b>2.</b>	<b>Declarations of Interest</b> None	
<b>3.</b>	<b>Exclusion of Press &amp; Public</b> None	
<b>4.</b>	<b>Minutes</b> Minutes of the meeting held on 11 November 2014 were approved by the Parish Council and signed by the Chairman as a true record.	
<b>5.</b>	<b>Matters Arising</b> No response received from Cllr. Jefferson as yet in relation to developments on the Airfield. Cllr. Markley had assured that railings were going to be put along the roadside at Causewayhead – email to be sent to ask when the work is to be done.	<b>WEJ</b>
<b>6.</b>	<b>Police Report</b> Police update was received by email.	
<b>7.</b>	<b>Financial Report</b> The Clerk provided an up-to-date financial report which showed a balance of £1,807.11.	
<b>8.</b>	<b>Requests for financial assistance</b> The Parish Council considered the following requests for financial assistance:- a) Citizens Advice Allerdale – It was agreed that a donation of £30.00 be provided. b) Wigton Baths Trust – It was agreed that a donation of £50.00 be sent.	<b>WEJ</b>
<b>9.</b>	<b>Payment of Accounts</b> Cheque payments to 10 February 2015 were approved for payment by the Parish Council.	
<b>10.</b>	<b>Correspondence</b> a) ACT Gazette – Issue 19 – Autumn/Winter 2014. b) Active for Life – Wigton & North Allerdale Newsletter November/December 2014. c) Lyth Valley & Waver/Wampool Proposed Internal Drainage Board Newsletter – November 2014. d) Tidelines – Newsletter of the Solway Firth Partnership – Issue 41 Winter 2014. e) CALC Circular – December/January 2015. f) Solway Coast AONB – Annual Review 2013-2014. g) Connecting Cumbria – Newsletter – December 2014. h) Clerks & Councils Direct – January 2015. i) Active for Life – Wigton & North Allerdale February/March 2015. j) CALC Circular – February 2015. k) CALC – Information about Neighbourhood Planning Grants available. l) Cumbria County Council – Public Budget Consultation Drop-in Events – Poster with details of dates and locations. m) CALC – Re: New Transparency Code. Copy of NALC’s legal briefing and a copy of the	

transparency code.

- n) Cumbria UK Youth Parliament – Cumbria UKYP Elections 2014 is now live and more information can be obtained from the County Council website at:- <http://www.cumbria.gov.uk/communications/mypseats.asp>
- o) Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG) has launched “Delivering Differently in Neighbourhoods”, a programme which aims to support principal authorities to redesign services to deliver at neighbourhood level, with the involvement of community organisations or parish councils.
- p) CALC – Next general meeting of the Town & Parish Councils in Allerdale will take place on 11 December at Allhallows Parish Hall in Fletchertown.
- q) Cumbria County Council – re: Bus routes 47 and 604 follow up meeting. Meeting will be held on Wed 26 November 10.00-11.30 at Local Links, Market Hall, Wigton.
- r) CALC – Information about a government announcement that extra money is being made available to provide new minibuses to community transport operators in rural areas.
- s) Cumbria County Council – Flood Risk Strategy. Organisations are encouraged to share their views as part of the consultation which will close on 23 December 2014. Details can be found at [www.haveyoursay.org.uk](http://www.haveyoursay.org.uk)
- t) Cumbria County Council is now one of nine Commons Registrations Authorities to be a pilot authority for the implementation of Part 1 of the Commons Act 2006 which is expected to come into force in Cumbria on 15 December 2014.
- u) Healthwatch Cumbria – Invitation to the West Cumbria Community Forum on 12 December at Copeland Centre, Whitehaven. The key objective of the forum is to develop and manage increased and focussed community engagement in West Cumbria with regards to the future delivery of health and care services.
- v) CALC – North West Coast Connections – People are urged to comment on new National grid connection before the consultation closes on 28 November 2014.
- w) CALC – re: Unitary Local Government. Copy of the letter sent to Eric Pickles by Keith Hitchen, Chairman of CALC lobbying to commission a review of local government in Cumbria with a view to moving to a form of unitary local government at the earliest convenience.
- x) CCC – Urgent road closure – Dubmill to Jericho, near Mawbray from Monday 1 December 2014, for an anticipated 5 days.
- y) Allerdale Parishes meeting – 11 December 2014 at Allhallows Community Centre at 7.00pm. Agenda and minutes of previous meeting.
- z) News Release – National Grid consultation on new connections closes – work underway to consider all feedback received.
- aa) Radioactive Waste Management events – Two events are to be held in Bristol (22January) and Manchester (4 February) to discuss the national screening process.
- bb) CCC – Urgent road closure – Dubmill to Jericho, near Mawbray from Saturday 6 December 2014, for 2 days.
- cc) CALC – re: Government Consultation on Parish Polls. Calc would encourage all councils to submit a response by the end of January deadline.
- dd) CALC – update from CALC on three finance related matters. Extract from the statement to Parliament in relation to possibly capping the highest spending parishes but it is not thought to affect any parish council in Cumbria. Section 137 spending limit has been increased to £7.37 per elector for 2015/15. Transparency code for smaller authorities with an annual turnover not exceeding £25,000 has been published. Code is issued at ‘recommended practice’ but there is an intention to make is mandatory by the start of the 2015/16 financial year.
- ee) Note from the meeting held at Allhallows Parish Hall, Fletchertown on the 11th December 2014. Also spreadsheet of lights identified as being subject to removal by ENW and the position as at October 2014.
- ff) Department for Communities & Local Government – Plain English guide to the Planning System.
- gg) Cumbria Community Energy Conference will be held on 31 January at Cumbria Rural Enterprise Agency in Penrith from 9.30 – 3.00.
- hh) Askins & Little – Information about a specialist restoration company based in Carlisle which offers a complete service in historic property restoration.
- ii) Cumbria County Council - Email from Lynn Singleton about Cumbria County Council grants

	<p>available for Community projects.</p> <p>jj) CALC – Dates of various meetings of the area working groups arranged by Allerdale Borough Council.</p> <p>kk) Copy of the statutory instrument made by the Secretary of State which authorises agenda papers to be sent to councillors electronically where they have given their consent.</p> <p>ll) Glendale Gateway Trust &amp; National CLT Network are holding a peer learning event on 24 February at Wooler re: securing affordable housing.</p> <p>mm) Solway Coast AONB Management Plan 2015-2020 consultation which runs from December 15<sup>th</sup> 2014 to February 6<sup>th</sup> 2015. Details can be found at <a href="http://www.haveyoursay.org.uk">www.haveyoursay.org.uk</a>.</p> <p>nn) Allerdale Borough Council – Budget Consultation. Closing date for responses is Friday 23 January 2015.</p> <p>oo) Allerdale Borough Council – Draft Council Plan 2015-19 Consultation. Consultation runs from 22 December 2014 to 23 January 2015.</p> <p>pp) Healthwatch Cumbria – Healthwatch Reflective Audit which can be found at <a href="http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/hwcpublicaudit">www.surveymonkey.com/s/hwcpublicaudit</a></p> <p>qq) Allerdale Borough Council – Allerdale Local Plan (Part 2): Site Allocations – Issues and options additional sites submitted consultation. Documents can be viewed at <a href="http://www.allerdale.gov.uk/siteallocations">www.allerdale.gov.uk/siteallocations</a>. Comments to be submitted by Friday 27 February 2015.</p> <p>rr) Allerdale Borough Council – Leisure Strategy Consultation. Full consultation documents can be viewed at <a href="http://www.allerdale.gov.uk/consultation">www.allerdale.gov.uk/consultation</a>.</p>	
12.	<p><b>Planning Applications</b></p> <p>The <b>Parish Council</b> have considered the following:-</p> <p><b>Ref No:</b> 2/14/9018 <b>Proposal:</b> Retrospective application for the storage, recycling and transfer of materials <b>Location:</b> The Old Airfield, Silloth – No objection but concerns in relation to drainage have been raised with the County Council. A lot of rubble has been tipped on the runway which has blocked drains. John has sent his objections in to Kendal.</p> <p><b>Ref No:</b> 2/2014/0876 <b>Proposal:</b> Construction of lagoon and associative works <b>Location:</b> Dryholme, Silloth <b>Applicant:</b> Mr Gary Bonnette, Farmgen Ltd – No objection</p> <p><b>Ref No:</b> 2/2014/0903 <b>Proposal:</b> Proposed erection of replacement boundary fencing with associated landscaping <b>Location:</b> Hangar 43, Silloth Industrial Estate, The Airfield, Silloth <b>Applicant:</b> Atlas Concrete Ltd – No objection.</p> <p><b>Ref No:</b> 2/2014/0905 <b>Proposal:</b> Retention of concrete batching plant, aggregate storage bays, loading bins and minor extension to an existing building <b>Location:</b> Hangar 43, Silloth Industrial Estate, The Airfield, Silloth <b>Applicant:</b> Atlas Concrete Ltd – No objection.</p> <p><b>Allerdale Borough Council</b> refused the following:-</p> <p><b>Ref No:</b> 2/2014/0293 <b>Proposal:</b> Installation of a 500kW wind turbine (67m to blade tip) and its associated infrastructure (crane pad, access track and meter house) <b>Location:</b> Dundraw Farm, Dundraw, Wigton <b>Applicant:</b> DJ Harrison</p> <p><b>Allerdale Borough Council</b> approved the following:-</p> <p><b>Ref No:</b> 2/2014/0550 <b>Proposal:</b> Proposed shed to house agricultural machinery – resubmission 2/2014/0055 <b>Location:</b> Roddings House, Greenrow, Silloth <b>Applicant:</b> Eric Stanwix</p> <p><b>Ref No:</b> 2/2014/0587 <b>Proposal:</b> Single storey extension to front <b>Location:</b> Pelutho Grange, Balladoyle, Silloth <b>Applicant:</b> Mr A Whitfield</p> <p><b>Ref No:</b> 2/2014/0876 <b>Proposal:</b> Construction of lagoon and associative works <b>Location:</b> Dryholme, Silloth <b>Applicant:</b> Mr Gary Bonnette, Farmgen Ltd</p> <p><b>Ref No:</b> 2/2014/0565 <b>Proposal:</b> Erection of slurry store <b>Location:</b> Balladoyle Farm, Silloth <b>Applicant:</b> Mr G Whitfield</p> <p>The <b>Parish Council</b> considered the following:-</p> <p><b>Ref No:</b> 2/2015/0052 <b>Proposal:</b> Demolition of existing farm house and erection of two storey dwelling <b>Location:</b> Park House, Silloth <b>Applicant:</b> Mr Robert Scoular – No objection.</p> <p>Notification that an appeal has been made against the refusal for the following application:</p> <p><b>Appeal Ref:</b> APP/G0908/W/14/3001062 <b>Application Ref No:</b> 2/2014/0449 <b>Proposal:</b> Installation of a</p>	

	single small scale 11kW Gaia wind turbine mounted on an 18m lattice mast with maximum tip height of 24.5m (resubmission of 2/2013/0754) <b>Site:</b> West House Farm, Silloth <b>Appeal by:</b> Mr Colin Winter	
<b>13.</b>	<b>Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies</b> <b>Longcake Education Foundation</b> – Meeting on Thursday. <b>Sea Dyke Charity</b> – Cllr. Graham gave a verbal report.	
<b>14.</b>	<b>County Council Report</b> No report received.	
<b>15.</b>	<b>Parish Plan</b> Something was included in the Solway Buzz regarding the setting up of a community group but no responses received have been received. A lot of the funding from Hellrigg has gone to Abbeytown. The Sea Dyke charity gave the Parish Council a 30 year lease which allowed them to proceed with building the sports facility.	
<b>17.</b>	<b>Reports from Councillors</b> A new drain is needed across the road at Coulthard's entrance, as it floods. The existing drain has been blocked due to rubble off the wagons. The road drains from Causewayhead corner to the noticeboard need cleared, as they've not been cleared this year. Wolsty sign and Windmill sign and sign at Seaville Road ends have still not been repaired/replaced. Further email to be sent.	<b>WEJ</b>
<b>18.</b>	<b>Chairman's Announcements</b> The Chairman thanked everyone for coming to the meeting and also thanked the Clerk for the work she does.	
<b>19.</b>	<b>Date of next meeting</b> Parish Council meeting – Tuesday 12 May 2015 at 7.30pm in Silloth Community Hall.	
<b>20.</b>	<b>Salary review.</b> The Parish Council agreed to a 2.2% increase on the Clerk's salary which covers the period 1 January 2015 to 31 March 2016, as per the agreement reached by the National Joint Council for Local Government Services.	
<b>21.</b>	<b>Annual Parish Meeting</b> Annual Parish meeting in April is to be held in the Community Hall this year, rather than Tanglewood. Something to be included in the Solway Buzz to encourage people to attend. Refreshments to be provided.	<b>WEJ</b>

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