

Draft Minutes of a meeting of Great Clifton Parish Council held on Thursday 20 February 2020

Councillors Present: Malcolm Fee (Chair) Irene Owens Robert McKenzie Jonathan Coles Noreen Walker Alyson Smith Peter Gaston Angela Meek (Clerk)

1 member of public present

1) **Welcome**, MF welcomed all to the meeting:

Apologies for absence: Celia Perry Jo Kirkbride Janet King Joe Holiday

2) **Declaration of Interest:** None to note

3) **Public Participation:**

Suggestion of purchasing mixed flowering bulbs at a cost of £15.00 to plant around the village for VE Day Celebration – Purchase of bulbs proposed by Cllr JC, Seconded by RM, all agreed
Also mentioned was the old mining coal cart Mr Elliott offered to the parish council – (A) RM to talk to JE

4) **Minutes of last meeting:**

The chair was authorised to sign the minutes of the General Council meeting held on 16 January 2020 as a true record

4.1 Queries: None to note

4.2 Matters arising from minutes of 16 January 2020: None to note

5) **Chairman's Announcements:**

MF – None to note

6) **Clerks Report:**

6.1 All actions completed from meeting of 16 January 2020

6.2 Ascertained quotes for the replacement of the bench at Bow Flatts - shown eight different types and costs for discussion

AS informed of funding in stores from tokens for community projects – could apply for a number of replacement benches in other areas of the parish.

6.3 Each year the PC tenders for grass cutting of certain areas at the cost of around £1800.00. Now the PC has its own mower and strimmer you could utilise this cost better to expand further and to employ a Lengthsman to maintain the whole of the parish. AM produced a Job Description of works that could be carried out in the parish by a Lengthsman post and asked the PC to consider this on a seasonal contract. With a lack of volunteers to help with in the village hall for opening, setting up, closing and locking the building afterwards. This could be beneficial to Celia, Bill, Bob, and Malcolm who between them are currently doing these chores.

7) **Village Hall** (RM Report)

7.1 The hall is used on a regular basis and some groups using it through the day

8) **Allotments** (RM Report)

8.1 Rats are still an ongoing problem – will look at changing the poison as they become resistant

8.2 A meeting was held on 26 January 2020 and only five people attended with the persons complaining about how the Allotment was being did not attend. We did sign up two new committee members.

8.3 We agreed to price for a skip to be put in the allotments to clear some of the plots

8.3 The Committee was in the clocking shed on Sunday 16 February 2020 for the collection of rents, seven are outstanding

9) Items for Discussion on Village / Parish Matters

- 9.1 Broken fence and gate on the Gavels** – No update to note
- 9.2 Rose Villa** – No update
- 9.3 Lease of the Gt Clifton Rugby field** AM update – AM informed Mr P Marrs and paperwork and signatures sought and handed to Milburn Solicitors. AM informed Legal that Milburns is to act as representation for GCPC. Invoice issued to ABC in October is now in the GCPC account.
- 9.4 Sand Bin at Gatehead** – (A) RM to organise for the grit bin to be moved from Hall Lodge Lane
- 9.5 Cumbria Community Transport, Bus Service from the Pow** – PG is following up on this
- 9.6 Footway Lighting** – Nothing to report
- 9.7 Replacement Bench, Bow Flatts** – discussed in 6.2 – Proposed by Cllr RM, Seconded by Cllr NW, all agreed – (A) AM to order backless bench – (A) AS to apply to Tesco/Asda stores for funding to replace community seating.
- 9.8 Self employed Lengthsman for village** – as discussed in 6.3 – Village hall not to be included in the tender for this year but to look at next year – (A) AM to send tenders out for grass cutting - to contact Gary Dixon, Mr Jackson Hetherington and triple TTT

10) AOB Concerning Parish Matters

- 10.1** Pot-holes are a problem in the village (A) AM to report
- 10.2** Sunken drain covers on Middlegate and main road (A) AM to report
- 10.3** Cumbria Litter Pick – Date set for 21 March 2020
- 10.4** IO asks are there still a Dog Warden responsible for Great Clifton AM informed her it is claire.mcavoy@alldale.gov.uk
- 10.5** After having the Lonning swept, works Lorries are coming and going from Station Road causing a mess – (A) AM to contact Egremont Estates to request they clean up after them.
- 10.6** Lights out on Bank top leading down to Riverside – no numbers on lampposts (A) AM to report location to Alldale
- 10.7** PG informed of an organised village walkabout with agencies for Friday 28 March 2020, to meet on the Gavels at 12pm

11) Projects Planning for 2020

- 11.1** Hearing loop sound system – no update
- 11.2** VE Day, 8th May 2020 – AM suggested Union Jack Flags to be strategically placed around the village as a mark on remembrance and respect for those who gave their lives – the flags could be re-used for other remembrance days

12) Correspondence

To note items of correspondence received since the last meeting

- 12.1** Leaflets on table – not discussed
- 12.2** ABC Annual Play Area Inspection – (A) AM to request the usual
- 12.3** Donation request from committee of Old Folks Tea Group
- 12.4** PKF Littlejohn LLP – Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2019/20 – email instruction will be emailed to the council week commencing 23 March 2020

13) Planning Applications

- 13.1** FUL/2020/0047 - Mr Nigel Catterson Derwent Forest Development Consortium Ltd Visitor centre with associated gatehouse, parking and infrastructure – No objections

14) Financial Matters

14.1 Income – ABC Invoice Payment £1,233.64

14.2 Bank Statement No. 277 Dated 31 January 2020 **£4,953.89**

14.3 Unpresented cheques from last meeting: £0

14.4 Outgoing	S McKenzie	680	£250.00
	Village Hall Committee – Donation	681	£1000.00
	Old Folks Tea Committee – Donation	682	£200.00
	Clerk expenses	683	£300.73
	R McKenzie – Till Receipt	684	£13.00

14.5 New Signatories for parish bank account - AM has requested forms from Cumberland Building Society to add signatories to Account, (Vice Chair) Jo Kirkbride and (Clerk and Financial Officer) Angela Meek to be added – (Chair) Malcolm Fee to sign both forms.

15) Items for next meeting: none to note

16) Next Meeting

19 March 2020

Meeting closed 8.25pm

LIST OF ACTIONS

for meeting held on 20 February 2020

Item Number	Action	Named	Completed Yes / No
3	To talk to John Elliott – re old Coal Mining Cart Planter	Robert McKenzie	
9.4	To organise for the grit bin to be moved from Hall Lodge Lane to the bus stop, Workington Side	Robert McKenzie	
9.5	To order backless bench	Angela Meek	Not completed as of 11/03/2020
9.5	To apply to Tesco/Asda stores for funding to replace community seating.	Alyson Smith	
9.8	To send out tenders for grass cutting - to contact Mr Gary Dixon, Mr Jackson Hetherington and triple TTT	Angela Meek	Yes
10.1	To report potholes	Angela Meek	Ref: W2081000464 - PotHole
10.2	To report sunken/loose drain covers	Angela Meek	Ref: W2081000463 - Manhole Covers
10.5	To contact Egremont Estates to request they clean up Station Road (Camerton Lonning).	Angela Meek	Not found as yet
10.6	To report to Allerdale lights out on Bank top leading down to Riverside	Angela Meek	Yes
12.2	To request the usual Annual Play Area Inspection from ABC	Angela Meek	Yes