

BOOTLE PARISH COUNCIL

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 6TH FEBRUARY 2024 IN THE CHAPEL MEETING ROOM BOOTLE, COMMENCING AT 7.30 PM

Present: Cllr R Kenworthy (Chair), Cllr D Faulkner, Cllr R Read, Cllr A Woodcock
1 member of the public

Clerk Mrs L Cooper

111/23 Apologies for absence: Unitary Cllr A Pratt.

112/23 Co-option of Councillors: Sandra Duck application to be co-opted was accepted. Proposed by Cllr Faulkner, Seconded by Cllr Woodcock. Cllr Duck completed the necessary paperwork and signed acceptance of office in the presence of the Clerk.

113/23 Exclusions of Press and Public

None required

114/23 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Kenworthy declared an interest in Agenda item 12 BDSSA

115/23 Minutes of Meetings held on 8 November 2023 and 10 January 2024

The minutes of the meetings were recorded as correct and signed by the Chair

116/23 Police Liaison Report

Previously circulated. No comments

1117/23 PROGRESS REPORTS

Clerks Report

Clerk reported that the current electricity contract expired January 2025.

Agreed to look at new contract August 2024.

Clerk reported there had been a request for a water meter reading. Cllr Kenworthy trying to locate the water meter

112/23 Public Participation

None

113/23 District Councillor's Report

Cllr Pratt had reported that: A new bridge to be installed on Corney Fell Road.

Whicham Valley road to be closed until 16 February 2024

Alexander House now closed and to be sold. Outstanding questions re covenants and ownership are currently being investigated.

114/23 APPLICATIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT

114/23.1 Applications

7/2023/4103 2, Falcon Place, Eskmeals

Proposal: Installation of a new sewage treatment plant

Supported

114/23.2 Ratifications

None

114/23.3 Approved Planning Applications

7/2023/4104 12, Summer Hill, Bootle

Construction of a single storey side extension to an existing dwelling

Approved with Conditions

115/23 FINANCIAL RECORDS

115/23.1 The following payments were approved:

Valda Energy	Electricity	£ 92.34
K Englefield	Toilet cleaning	£ 336.00
Waterplus	Direct Debit	£ 6.90

115/23.2 Receipts

Rental	£ 265.00
Donation box Toilets	£ 2.19
Donation box Bookbox	£ 23.10
Northern rail donation B IN b	£450.00
BDSCC Annual rent	£ 3.00

115/23.3 To receive and note the bank statement dated 31 December 2023

Received and verified by Cllr Kenworthy

115/23.4 To consider the Budget Comparison Report as at 31 January 2024 and determine action needed to address deviations from the budget.

None

115/23.5 To approve the Clerk to be a bank signatory

Resolved that the Clerk Lesley Cooper be added as a bank signatory

Proposed by Cllr Woodcock, seconded by Cllr Read

Forms completed by bank signatories

116/23 VILLAGE MATTERS**116/23.1 Community Plan**

None

116/23.2 Toilets

Now reopened to the public, drainage modification working well so far.

116/23.3 Monk Moor Telephone Box

The Clerk gave Cllr Woodcock contact number to enter the box

116/23.4 Hycemoor – request to purchase land

A letter had been received from vendors solicitor re purchase price. Clerk to write confirming purchase price.

116/23.5 Bootle in Bloom

Cllr Faulkner obtaining quotations for signage to be updated.

116/23.6 Footpath Wellbank

Cllr Kenworthy reported that he was awaiting LDNP to secure S106 monies with Cumberland.

116/23.7 Hycemoor – request for Play equipment

Resolved that the football nets be purchased up to a value of £500 in after confirmation from local children as to exact size/type preferred.

116/23.8 Abbeyfield

Still a question/dispute of ownership – Cllr Kenworthy had supplied some information to Cllr Pratt. Local concerns expressed that it might be turned into an HMO. Cllr Kenworthy reported that the alarm had now been switched off after the school had raised concerns,

116/23.9 Wellbank Development

3 Houses near completion and planning submitted for hub/swimming pool
Cllr Faulkner had received an email from the developer requesting agreement for the pool access proposal. The council fully support and welcome a pool facility (as outlined in the letter already on the planning portal).

116/23.10 Emergency Plan

Cllr Duck to update. Clerk to send form

116/23.11 Clerks Appraisal

Cllrs Read and Woodcock to arrange a date

116/23.12 Approve addition to Standing Orders – delegated powers for planning applications

Proposed by Cllr Kenworthy, Seconded Cllr Woodcock Accepted.

117/23 Reports from representatives on outside bodies and working groups

117/23.1 BDSSA – Cllr Kenworthy reported that feedback from community, planning and highways had been received. Plans being updated to reflect changes prior to further consultation before planning submission. Capt Shaws School have engaged in developing ideas for planning the resited play area and a new logo being undertaken for the BDSSA

118/23 Correspondence

All correspondence has been previously circulated. The following had been received:

- Clerk reported that a lot of correspondence from Cumberland excluded the south of the county and she had raised this concern with Cllr Pratt and CALC

119/23 Councillor Matters

- Cllr Faulkner reported that the Station waiting room was being prepared for repair
- Cllr Faulkner reported that there are 3 buildings on the Wellbank site
- Cllr Duck stated that the new drains being installed at Millholme which should reduce the amount of surface water during high volumes of rainfall.

120/23 Next Meeting

The next meeting to be held at the **Chapel Meeting Room** Bootle on Wednesday 20 March 2024 at 7.30pm.

There being no other business the Meeting closed at 2050 hrs