


Chairman's approval:  .....

**Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on  
Wednesday, 23 June 2021 19.00hrs  
Beckermet Reading Rooms**

**Present**

1/14. S Meter, J Nugent, K Cook, E Jewitt, T Barlow, S Caddy and M Slater

**Apologies**

G Threader

**2/14. To declare any interest in items on the agenda**

None

**3/14. To consider approval of previous minutes from the meeting held on 19 May.**

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> May have not been provided to the Parish Council meeting due to the Clerk being ill. SM informed the meeting that he had visited the Clerk that day to enquire after her and see if there was any assistance we could offer her.

**4/14. Public Participation**

None

**5/14. Finance**

There were no Finance reports provided due to the Clerk being ill.

**6/14. Budget Update**

There was no budget report provided due to the Clerk being ill.

**7/14. Small, grassed area opposite Croft House Beckermet**

Several members of the PC met to look at this area and KC suggested a type of stone display to cover the whole of the area. This suggestion was positively received by all, and KC has an action to follow up on this with prices etc. It was also deliberated that this could be something the whole village could get involved in for her majesty's birthday celebrations next year (buy a stone to place there with monies going to local charity).

**8/14. Planning Applications**

There were no new planning applications this meeting.

Chairman's approval:  .....

#### **9/14. Road and Traffic Issues in the Parish**

Paul Turner was due to attend tonight's meeting, however due to the Parish Council Clerk being indisposed it is thought that perhaps he has not been able to contact to confirm the meeting was going ahead. Julie Nugent to email PT to see why he did not attend and to rearrange. An issue was raised about persons parking on a public footway on Thorny Road in Thornhill, this is to be discussed with the Highways department.

#### **10/14. Progress Reports**

- **Salt bin Braystones Rd Beckermat**  
SM will write again to Gillian Elliott of Cumbria Highways to chase as to the whereabouts of the salt bin ready for the winter months ahead.
- **Community Led Plan**  
TB gave an update on Kickstart, a series of events that are to happen in the village and hopefully bring the community together. This has been delayed a month due to the recent Government announcement.
- **Dog Fouling in the School Green Play Area**  
Email was received from CBC dog warden informing them that they had observed families taking their dogs into the park in Beckermat. The culprits were spoken to by CBC and confirmed that increased checks were being carried out in the area. SM will chase CBC again as the proper PSPO signs are needed to be able to prosecute offenders. (NOTE this is a repeat request)
- **War memorial Update**  
Now completed and can come off next month's agenda.
- **Fly tipping off Cop Lane**  
Confirmation that the fly tipping has not yet been removed, SM to email CBC again requesting removal.

#### **Other Ongoing Projects**

- **Gate for Millfields**  
Darren has not been in touch regarding this task, on agreement from the PC members, SM will contact the person who erected the kissing gate at Thornhill and request a price to complete this task.
- **Play equipment – update and recommendation for repairs**  
Several of the Parish Councillors inspected the park and although they believe that some of the equipment is in desperate need of repair, made the decision to wait for the ROSPA inspections which are due in August before putting any suggestions for park improvements/repairs to the PC. This will be on the agenda for the September meeting.
- **Kissing gate for path at the TFC**  
Satisfactorily completed.

Chairman's approval:  .....

- **Seats at Potters Lonning and Petersberg**

MS and EJ kindly offered their services again to position the two seats already in the PC possession. Due to the fact that Darren still has not been in touch to carry out the positioning SM thanked both Mike and Eric for their offer and agreed it would be a good idea for them to complete the long overdue task.

- **Planting Trees**

KC is continuing to research suitable trees (to find a tree to plant for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee). Several locations in Beckermet were put forward as possibilities for tree planting. SC was going to look at any possible areas within Thornhill. Agreed in principle KC/SM to put a plan together to present to a future meeting.

SM noted that the Councillors should remember that even if agreed that permission would be required from Cumbria Highways.

#### **11/14. Any other business**

SC wanted to advise the meeting that he had not forgotten and was still trying to secure another Pit Bogey to replace the corroded one currently behind the bus stop in Beckermet.

MS wanted to mention the trees at Kersey Bridge/Low Mill that need desperately to be cut down as they are potentially a hazard for cars.

#### **12/14. Reports from (online) meetings attended by Councillors Meetings planned before next**

None declared

#### **13/14. Councillors' reports on meetings attended on behalf of the Parish Council, other items including items for future agendas**

None declared

#### **14/14. Date and location for next meeting**

Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> July Beckermet Reading Rooms 19.00 hours