Tebay Parish Council

Minutes of the Extra-ordinary Parish Council meeting held on 27th April 2016 in the Methodist Hall, Tebay at 7.30pm

This meeting was convened because the ordinary meeting in March was inquorate.

Present: Cllrs Adrian Todd (Chairman), Steve Hodgson, Keith Kelly, Angela Meadowcroft, Gary Murphy, Kevin Wharton, Becky Wolstenholme; Emma Greenshaw (Clerk),

Members of the public present: none

Apologies for absence

151/15 **Resolved** that apologies form Cllr Morland be accepted. Noted that apologies were received from County Cllr Bateman.

Minutes

152/15 **Resolved** that the Chairman be authorised to sign the minutes of the meeting held on 27th January as a true record.

Declarations of interest

153/15 Cllr Murphy declared an interest in item 6.1 (Planning) as he is a neighbour to the property.

Public Participation

154/15 Nothing raised.

Councillor Vacancy

155/15 **Resolved** that Becky Wolstenholme be co-opted to fill an existing vacancy. Cllr Wolstenholme was asked to complete a Register of Interests within 28 days.

Planning

156/15 **Resolved** that the Council had no comment on application 16/0032 Change of use of land, siting of 4no holiday chalets, access, car parking and associated works; land to the west of Cross Keys, Mount Pleasant; Inn Collection Ltd

[Cllr Murphy stood down]

- 157/15 The Councils meeting in March was inquorate and attended by nine members of the public who raised comments in objection to application 16/0185 Outline consent for principle of residential development; Land at East View, Mr C Doyle relating to highways safety, visibility, housing need, drainage and flooding, environmental protection and setting a precedent for development.
- 158/15 These comments were submitted to EDC advising it was not a formal resolution of the Parish Council. **Resolved** that the Council object to this application 16/0185 and ratify the comments submitted.

[Cllr Murphy rejoined the meeting]

- 159/15 **Resolved** that the Council support applications 16/0177 & 16/0178 (Listed Buildings consent) Demolition of modern extension to barn attached to Roundthwaite Farmhouse and construction of a single-bedroomed residential annex. Conversion of det. barn to holiday letting unit. Roundthwaite Farm, Mr Pickering, as the proposals will improve the site, use an existing redundant building and provides business opportunities in the village.
- 160/15 The Council noted the following planning decisions:

Granted: 15/1120 Change of use of part of agricultural field to site cabin for health & safety training: Lunesbridge Field: Lyon Equipment Ltd

Granted: 15/1105 Erection of triple garage and conversion of barn to provide additional accommodation and 1no. holiday let; Tebay Ghyll; Mrs S Harper

Granted: 16/0069 Proposed upgrade to telecoms base station installation, Low Borrowbridge, Cornerstone Telecommunications Infrastructure

Highways

- 161/15 Progress on existing issues:
 - a) M6/A685 roundabout landscaping: Cllr Hodgson has had no further response from Highways. **Action**: Cllr Bateman to be asked if she would follow up with David Spence.
 - b) Parking at Old School Tearoom junction: No progress as highways not yet been out to look. **Action**: Cllr Bateman to be asked if she would follow up.
- 162/15 Noted that streetlights 12 (rear of 4 Highfield) and 37 (A685 raised footpath) were unsafe and have been disconnected; they will be added to EDC's Works Programme
- 163/15 The Clerk advised the new Highways Hotline number is 0300 3032992.
- 164/15 Noted that a road closure for resurfacing work of A685 is planned from Tebay 30mph signs to Lunes Bridge for one day in July, date to be advised on signage.
- 165/15 Councillors raised issues about drains on land above the station needing digging out which had led to flooding of houses. **Resolved** that Cllr Todd take photos and the Clerk to write to Lowther Estates.

Issues and Projects

- 166/15 Progress on existing issues:
 - a) J38 Services boundary: trees had been cleared but not sufficiently. **Resolved** that Cllr Morland to be asked to follow up.
 - b) Sports facilities: A meeting with Ian Parker was planned for Tues 10th May at 4pm. A member of the public had contacted the Council to suggest that the area next to the tennis court be improved. The Council welcomed the suggestions. **Action**: Cllrs Kelly and Wharton to attend meeting and raise issues. **Resolved** that Cllr Todd report the broken gate latch to EDC.
- 167/15 A child was reported to have been scratched by brambles growing through the fencing at the playground near the station. **Resolved** that Cllr Todd contact adjacent landowner to get access to clear it as EDC will only cut back what grows across the boundary.
- 168/15 Noted that the report on the Pilot Local Delivery of Services had been published. No services are under consideration to be devolved to Tebay Parish Council at this time.
- 169/15 The 'Clean for the Queen' litter pick was a success, with 6 people involved and 31 bags of rubbish collected. Another litter pick was suggested before the Fell Race (last week in June). **Resolved** that litter pickers, hi-vis vests and bags be purchased. **Action** Cllr Hodgson to source equipment.
- 170/15 **Resolved** that the Clerk report the broken footpath fence from Low Lane to the churchyard to footpath officer
- 171/15 **Resolved** that Cllr Murphy report the damaged 'Tebay' sign at entrance to the village to Bob Dow and also ask for new signs at each end of the village.
- 172/15 Cllr Hodgson reported that the fencing at the swings is now becoming unsafe. The Council has budgeted to replace this and had received a quote from SWH Tree Services. **Resolved** that the wire fence, post and rails be replaced immediately by SWH Tree Services. The item was below the Council limit requiring further quotes.
- 173/15 Cllr Todd attended an introduction meeting to the Yorkshire Dales National Park and reported that the new Local Plan produced by EDC will remain in force until it expires. The YDNPA will become the planning authority for parts of the parish from 1st August 2016 and this function will be based at Bainbridge with an online facility for applications.

- 174/15 Cllr Hodgson reported that the road verges were being damaged by horse trotting and that horse manure was left near the swings which was considered unacceptable. **Resolved** that the Clerk send a letter to the owner asking them not to use verges and to clear any manure left around children's play areas.
- 175/15 Cllr Hodgson raised concerns about BTs reinstatement of the excavation for broadband installation at the recreation ground/ recycling facilities which had left the ground in a poor state and potential tripping hazard. **Resolved** that the Clerk raise the matter with BT.

Finance

176/15 **Resolved** that the following receipts be noted:

Bank Interest Jan-Mar £1.15

177/15 **Resolved** that the following payments be noted:

Lonsdale Estates (Rec Ground) £14.35
Clerk's salary £514.70
HMRC (PAYE) £128.80
Cumbria Payroll Services £14.00
Methodist Hall hire £175.00

178/15 **Resolved** that the following payments be approved:

Tebay Sports & Social Club (broadband meeting) £30.00

- 179/15 **Resolved** that the quote of from Dave's Handyman Services for bus shelter and noticeboard cleaning be accepted.
- 180/15 **Resolved** that a grant of £100 be provided to Tebay Methodist Church for the Soccer School and £100 for the Knock Activity Weekend.

Annual Audit

- 181/15 The Clerk advised that the internal auditor used previously was unavailable. **Action**: Cllr Hodgson to contact Michele Brunskill.
- 182/15 The Annual Governance Statement was reviewed and completed. **Resolved** that the Annual Governance Statement be approved and signed
- 183/15 **Resolved** that the Annual Statement of Accounts be approved and signed.

Correspondence & Consultations

- 184/15 **Resolved** that the Clerk send a letter of support for the Heritage Lottery Project for the Orton Fells area to Friends of the Lake District.
- 185/15 **Resolved**: that the Clerk write to EDC to advise that the proposed Leaders surgeries were during the day, when councillors and parishioners are at work and unable to attend.

Date of next meeting

186/15 **Resolved** that the Annual Meeting be held on Wednesday 25th May 2016 at Tebay Methodist Hall, 7.30pm.

Meeting closed at 8.50pm

Signed ... A Todd...... (Chairman) Date: 25th May 2016...