Minutes of a meeting of Lupton Parish Council held at Kitridding Tea Rooms on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> August 2024 at 7.30pm.

Present were Councillors Stewart Lambert (Chairman), Alan Lambert, Robin Nicholson and Simon Nutter, and Parish Clerk Kevin Price. Apologies for absence were accepted from Councillor Derek Wightman.

#### 24/19 Public participation: None.

#### 24/20 Requests for Dispensations: None.

#### 24/21 Declarations of Interest:

There were no Declarations of Interest made in respect of any matters on the agenda.

#### 24/22 Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2024, having been circulated were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

#### 24/23 Finance:

a. It was resolved to pay the following accounts:

William Huck	£25.00	Internal Audit – honorarium
Kirkby Lonsdale Town Council		
	£7.78	Share of ZOOM licence
K M Price	£124.31	Quarterly expenses to 30 <sup>th</sup> June,
		Including use of home office and travel

- b. The cash and budget statements were noted.
- c. The report from the Internal Auditor was noted with thanks. There were no matters to be brought to the Council's attention.
- d. The Clerk said that arrangements had been made to pay the quarterly PAYE to HMRC by Direct Debit. This would avoid the posting of cheques between the signatories. The amounts paid will still be reported on the cash and budget statements in the usual way.
- e. Councillor Alan Lambert handed a cheque for £300 to the Clerk, being the rent for the Parish Field.

24/24 Reports: None.

# 24/25 Planning:

The closing date for the following application had passed:

2024/1142/FPA 1 Thompson Fold, Lupton. Replacement front windows and doors with cream PVC-u.

# 24/26 Parish defibrillators:

The Chairman agreed to make application for a grant towards the provision of two defibrillators for the parish, one to be sited in the bus shelter and the other at The Plough. Maintenance and associated costs are to be looked into.

## 24/27 Bus shelter project:

The Chairman reported that the bus shelter 'project' has been completed, and the seat installed. It was resolved that the Council will pay the associated costs upon receipt of an invoice, and the Chairman will then be able to apply for payment of the grant agreed some time ago.

## 24/28 Open Forum:

- a. Possible footpath extension (minute 24/17b refers). The Clerk has asked Westmorland & Furness Council for advice and awaits a reply.
- b. Possible Speed Indicator Device (SID) (minute 24/17d refers). The Clerk has asked Westmorland & Furness Council for advice. Should it be responded to positively, speed data etc will need to be collected.
- c. Traffic lights on the A65 (minute 24/17g refers). Work on repairing the damaged highway is not likely to start until at least September. In the meantime, long delays are being experienced, especially at weekends.
- d. A report was received of obstruction due to overhanging branches/undergrowth on both sides of Newbiggin Lane and the Clerk agreed to report it to Westmorland & Furness Council. The lane has become so narrow that vehicles are having difficulty in using it, especially the regular school bus each day. In the event of any emergency, access would be extremely difficult.

## 24/29 Date of the next meeting:

# Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2024 at 7.30pm at Kitridding Tea Rooms (This will be the Precept Meeting)

The meeting closed at 8.30pm.

Signed:

Dated: