

Minutes of a meeting of Lupton Parish Council held at Kittridding Tea Rooms on Monday 3rd February 2020 at 7.30pm.

Present were Councillors Stewart Lambert (Chairman), Gordon Higton, Alan Lambert, Robin Nicholson and Simon Nutter, County and District Councillor Roger Bingham, District Councillor Brian Cooper and Parish Clerk Kevin Price.

**20/1 Public participation:** None.

**20/2 Requests for Dispensations:** None.

**20/3 Declarations of Interest:**

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

**20/4 Minutes:**

The minutes of the meeting held on 4th November 2019, having been circulated were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

**20/5 Reports:**

- a. **Police:** The Monthly Area update had been received from PCSO Martin Boak. This covers Kirkby Lonsdale, Burton, Holme, Preston Patrick, Preston Richard, Lupton, Casterton, Sedgwick, Stainton, Old Hutton, New Hutton and Natland. No crimes were listed for Lupton parish. In the wake of rural thefts extra patrols are being deployed in a bid to deter would-be thieves from our areas.
- b. **County Councillor:** Councillor Bingham's report (which will be attached to these minutes in the file) included the following. There has been an increase of 51 Police officers in the last two years. County-lines drug dealing is still a major problem. The Budget for 2020-21 for CCC is not yet fixed. The SLDC increase may be around 2.5%. Libraries in the county are doing well.
- c. **District Councillor:** Councillor Cooper said that the SLDC Land Allocations would run to 2040. He also mentioned that Northern Rail was being taken back into public ownership. SLDC's new 'Customer Connect' should save the Authority £1.5M. Disabled parking in Kendal continues to be an issue.
- d. **Parish Clerk:** None.

**20/6 Finance:**

a. *It was resolved to pay the following accounts:*

K M Price	£84.17	Quarterly expenses to 31st December, including use of home office and travel.
HMRC	£227.20	PAYE (to note)

T Flitcroft                      £100.00                      Annual honorarium - website maintenance

- b. The cash and budget statements were noted.
- c. The Clerk had received a quotation from A2A for £50 plus VAT in order to make the Council's website compliant with the new Accessibility Regulations.

**20/7 Planning:**

*The following decisions, notified to the Council by the Planning Authority, were noted:*

SL/2019/0720 Lupton Hall, Lupton. Building over existing open midden. Granted..

SL/2019/0718 Lupton Hall, Lupton. Building over existing open silage clamp. Granted.

**20/8 New notice board and Defibrillator:**

The Chairman said these are both in hand and will be an agenda item for the next meeting.

**20/9 Open Forum:**

- a. A request to support a funding application from North Lancs Down Syndrome Support Group was deferred until the next meeting, due to it not being an agenda item.
- b. A vehicle has been parked for some months in the lay-by adjacent to the bus shelter. The Clerk will ask PCSO Martin Boak if any action can be taken.
- c. The drain from Meadowside to Cow Brow has collapsed. The Clerk will make enquiries.

**20/10 Date of the next meeting:**

***Thursday 7th May 2020 at 7.30pm at Kitriding Tea Rooms (This will be the Annual Assembly of the Parish Meeting and the Annual Parish Council Meeting).***

*The meeting closed at 8.30pm.*

*Signed:*

*Dated:*

