

Minutes of a meeting of Lupton Parish Council held at Kittridding Tea Rooms on Monday 4th November 2019 at 7.30pm.

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

19/32 Public participation: None.

19/33 Requests for Dispensations: None.

19/34 Declarations of Interest:

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

19/35 Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting held on 5th August 2019 having been circulated were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman, adding the following comments from Councillor Bingham, which had been made at the meeting:

"25 full time Police Officers had been appointed in financial year 2018-19 and 20 in 2019 -20 – so that makes 45, and Cumbria has the fifth best numbers in the kingdom. There is a County Border line scheme of CCTV cameras being introduced following concerns about County Lines Drug dealing"

19/36 Reports:

- a. **County and District Councillors:** Councillor Bingham produced a full report, which will be appended to these minutes in the file.

Councillor Cooper said that the main issues at SLDC at present are Poverty, Climate Change and Homelessness.

- b. **Parish Clerk:** The Clerk explained about the introduction of the Accessibility Regulations which will come into force in September 2020. These set out how a Council website must be usable by people with disabilities and could have a serious impact, both financial and in other ways, on small Councils. He recommended that money is set aside in the forthcoming Precept in order to pay for this. A local firm has been approached for an idea of the likely cost and a response is awaited. It was be an agenda item for the next meeting.

19/37 Finance:

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

K M Price	£81.89	Quarterly expenses to 30th September including use of home office and travel.
T Flitcroft	£75.00	Payroll Administration (annual payment)

HMRC	£227.20	PAYE (noted)
Banks Renewables	£124.52	Deposit on notice board/bus shelter project (noted)

- b. The cash and budget statements were noted.
- c. The annual Budget Report, prepared by the Clerk, was considered and it was resolved to make a Precept upon South Lakeland District Council in the sum of £3,600 for the financial year 2020-21. The Chairman and one other Councillor will sign the papers when they arrive from SLDC.

19/38 New notice board and Defibrillator:

- a. The grant from Banks Renewables for the new notice board is expected soon. The bus shelter will be cleaned and painted in preparation for the board being installed. It is felt that a small window in the side of the shelter will enable those waiting for the bus to see it approaching, even if they are sitting down. Councillors will liaise to make arrangements for the necessary work.
- b. The Defibrillator is still in hand and will be an agenda item for the next meeting.

19/39 Planning:

The following applications arrived since the last meeting but no comments were submitted to the Planning Authority:

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.

19/40 Open Forum:

Councillors reported recent attempts by heavy lorries to drive over Badgergate Bridge and the risk of damage to the structure is very high. Councillors Nicholson and Nutter, assisted by Councillor Bingham, agreed to arrange for signs to be made and erected in order to prevent these vehicles using the lane.

Date of the next meeting:

Monday 3rd February 2020 at 7.30pm at Kitriding Tea Rooms.

The meeting closed at 9pm.

Signed:

Dated: