

# THE PARISH COUNCIL OF SEDBERGH

## Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council of Sedbergh held in The People's Hall, Sedbergh on 11<sup>th</sup> July 2013

Present: Councillors Hodge, Longlands, Atkins, Macpherson, Pearson, Lancaster, Allan and Thomson.

### 1. Apologies:

Apologies were received from Cllr Capstick and were accepted by the meeting.

### 2. Requests for Dispensations

There were no requests for dispensations

### 3. Declarations of Interest:

There were no declarations of interest.

### 4. Minutes of the Meetings of the Parish Council held on 30<sup>th</sup> May 2013

The monthly meeting minutes were agreed as a correct record with one minor amendment.

The Annual Meeting minutes were agreed as a correct record with one minor amendment.

### 5. Matters arising from the Minutes of 25<sup>th</sup> April 2013

Cumbria Highways have been formally requested to erect advance directional signs on the highway verge at suitable locations to the north-east and south-west of the Ghyllas Layby site. They are now looking into the matter.

### 6. Ann Brookes – YDNPA Member

Ms Brookes gave a short update of current National Park Issues and there was a question & answer session

### 7. Planning

A written report was adopted by the meeting including the Committee's comments on planning applications.

### 8. Finance

- a. The meeting received a report of the meeting of the Audit Committee on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2013.
- b. The attached requests for payments were agreed.
- c. The meeting resolved to approve and accept the Annual Return which has been returned by the auditors with no matter to report.

### 9. Grants

There were no requests for grants

### 10. Public Participation

- a. The meeting was given an update on the work at the People's Hall and received a proposal relating to the reinstatement of an enlarged car park. The meeting gave its support in principle subject to the cost not exceeding £5,000 and receiving confirmation from YDNPA Planning that the alteration constituted permitted development
- b. The meeting was addressed regarding the Booktown Literary Trust's plans for a project to commemorate the 1914-1918 War. The meeting gave its support in principle and it is proposed that a grant application be submitted in September after a decision has been made on an application for EU funding for the international aspect of the project

### 11. Amenities Committee

- a. Written reports of the June & July meeting were adopted by the meeting.
- b. The committee wishes to erect signs banning dogs from the People's Hall Field and the clerk is to ascertain if this should exclude assistance dogs.
- c. A repair to Joss Lane Car Park tarmac costing £600 was authorised to be carried out in September.

## **12. Sedbergh Townscape Project**

The attached report was adopted by the meeting.

## **13. Queens Gardens**

A verbal report was made by Cllr Thomson. The survey specification has been agreed and two estimates obtained. It may be that the Council will need to top up the £10,000 HLF grant to be applied for to cover the anticipated cost of commissioning a conservation & management plan but the meeting expressed strong support for the project.

## **14. Main Street Open Day**

Cllr Thomson gave a verbal report stating that the event was a success and contributed to the objectives of raising money, attracting new volunteers and allowing the public to see what's new at Main Street. He also informed the meeting there is to be a new front door upstairs with push button entry.

## **15. Correspondence**

The attached Clerks Report was considered by the meeting.

It was agreed that the proposed tree planting at New Bridge, details of which had already been circulated, should go ahead.

## **18. Date and Time of next meeting**

7.30 pm on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> August 2013 at the People's Hall.



# Report to Sedbergh Parish Council Meeting – 11 July 2013

## Sedbergh Townscape Project

### Joss Lane car park/garden of 72 Main Street:

A detailed site survey plan has been completed by Spatial Data Ltd. of Kendal and draft schemes for possible improvements are now being prepared by Garsdale Design.

### Jubilee Fountain:

The draft report from the specialist consultant is still awaited. Upon receipt of this report it is envisaged that discussions will take place with officers of the YDNPA prior to a contract being prepared for the first phase of restoration work.

### Highway signs de-cluttering project:

Rob Warwick, County Council Highways, advises that Electricity North West have carried out some of the disconnections associated with the scheme. He has sought an update on progress and has undertaken to keep the Council informed.

### Footway widening, Main Street:

Rob Warwick, County Council Highways advised, on 1 July, that discussions are taking place with the safety auditor regarding details of the scheme and that further revisions will be forwarded 'in the coming days'.

### Replacement Bus Shelter, Station Road:

The final report of the County Council's Bus Infrastructure Officer authorising the construction of the shelter on the public highway, is still awaited.

### Damaged bollard, Main Street:



The Highway Authority advises that the damaged bollard will be replaced 'by the end of July'.