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LAZONBY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes

For the Annual General Meeting (AGM) of Lazonby Parish Council held on Wednesday 4th May 2016, starting at approximately 7.30 p.m, in the Jubilee Rooms, Lazonby Village Hall.

Present: Chair Councillor Virginia Minihan.

Councillors John Judson, Gordon Nicolson, Peter Minihan, Chris Hill and Tim Wright.

Also in attendance: County Councillor Hilary Carrick, Brian Smythe broadband Champion, the Parish Council Treasurer Chris Hoy and Clerk to the Council Rebecca Wyatt.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Christine Chamberlain and Chris West.

ITEM / MINUTE No.	ITEM	BUSINESS
16/82	Appointment of Chair of the Council for 2016 - 2017.	The Council considered nominations for the position of Chair of the Council to serve for the 2016 – 2017 municipal year, from the Council Members present.
		RESOLVED that due to no nominations being received for the appointment of a Chair, that this would be deferred to the next Council Meeting in June 2016.
		ALSO RESOLVED that Councillor Virginia Minihan be nominated to be the temporary Chair for this meeting of the Parish Council.
16/83	Appointment of Vice-chair of the Council for 2016 - 2017.	The Council considered nominations for the Vice-Chair of the Council to serve for the 2016 – 2017 municipal year, from the Council Members present.
		RESOLVED that due to no nominations being received for the appointment of a Vice-Chair, that this would be deferred to the next Council Meeting in June 2016.
		ALSO RESOLVED that it be noted that Councillor Chris West be thanked for her term as Vice-Chair.
16/84	The filling of Council Member Vacancies by Co-option.	The Council considered nominations to fill the two Council Member vacancies left unfilled at the election by reason of insufficient nominations.
		RESOLVED that it be noted that the Parish Council will continue to look to co-opt new Council Members to fill the remaining two positions.
16/85	Requests for Dispensations.	RESOLVED that it be noted that no requests were received by the Clerk since the previous meeting for dispensations to speak and/or vote on any matter where a member has a disclosable pecuniary interest.
16/86	Declaration of Interest.	The Chair asked if there were any declarations by Council Members of any Personal or Prejudicial Interests relating to any items on the agenda for this meeting.
		RESOLVED that it be noted that Councillor Gordon Nicolson declared a personal and prejudicial interest in matters concerning Eden District Council.

16/87	Matters of Urgency.	<p>The Council received the following matters which arrived too late to be otherwise placed on the agenda, or were omitted by mistake, so were introduced in this part of the agenda. These are as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Planning Application No: 16/0349 - (Full Application) Proposed garden room, at Bridge House, Lazonby CA101BL. 2. The Clerk has received information about Appleby Horse Fair and the relevant contact information if needed. 3. The Clerk received an Email from Joe Butler of Croglin Designs who has asked for a letter of support regarding the rental of School house for a grant application he is making. <p>RESOLVED that Planning Application No: 16/0349 - (Full Application) Proposed garden room, at Bridge House, Lazonby CA101BL be considered in agenda item 22 - Planning Applications – New (or Appeal) - Minute 16/102 of these Minutes.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that the information about Appleby House Fair be noted.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that the Council agreed that the Clerk should write a letter of support for Joe Butler of Croglin Designs regarding the rental of School house for a grant application.</p>
16/88	Minutes of the Council Meeting of the 6th April 2016.	<p>The Minutes of the Council Meeting of the 6th April 2016 were considered.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the last paragraph of Minute 16/61 – Fibre Optic Broadband be removed from the 6th April 2016 Draft Minutes of the Parish Council due to inaccuracy.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that subject to the above amendments the Minutes of the Council Meeting of the 6th April 2016 be approved and signed as a true record of those proceedings.</p>
16/89	<p>Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Council Meeting of the 6th April 2016.</p> <p>15/152 - Report from County Councillor Hilary Carrick.</p> <p>15/170 - Town and Country Planning Act 1990 Appeal under section 78 for Planning Application 14/0919.</p> <p>15/190 - Overgrown pavement, Seat and damaged Bus Stop Sign - Armathwaite Rd End.</p>	<p>The Council considered any matters arising from the Minutes of the 6th April 2016.</p> <p>The Council received an update about the resurfacing of Scour Lane.</p> <p>RESOLVED that it be noted that Cumbria Highways are currently in discussions with Story Homes about the resurfacing of Scour Lane.</p> <p>The Council received an update about the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 Appeal under section 78 for Planning Application 14/0919 (behind the Lilacs). The Clerk has already written to the Planning Inspectorate to complain about not receiving notification about the Lilacs Appeal. However, a reply has never been received.</p> <p>RESOLVED that this agenda item be removed from the agenda as it is unlikely there will be any further communications regarding the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 Appeal under section 78 for Planning Application 14/0919 now that it has been approved.</p> <p>RESOLVED that it be noted that there was nothing further to report about the damaged Bus Stop Sign at Armathwaite Road End on the A6 at present; although County Councillor Hilary Carrick is currently trying to find out more about what is happening with the replacement bus stop.</p>

15/244 - Wall at Bank Foot.	RESOLVED that it be noted that the Clerk has contacted Allan Park at Eden District Council to ask for a progress report on the collapsed wall at Bank Foot following the April 2016 meeting of the Parish Council; however he is awaiting the report from the owner's structural engineer and once this is received will contact the Clerk to let the Council know the outcome.
16/22 - Copper Beech Tree at Croglin Designs.	<p>The Council received an update about the Copper Beech Tree at Croglin Designs. At the last meeting of the Parish Council in April 2016, the Council agreed that once the Clerk had heard from Rob Sim that the Clerk then contact Council Members via Email to discuss the issue further, so that they could agree to the appropriate course of action to take. Rob Sim has checked the work needing to be carried out on the copper beech tree and quotes £250 for the careful pruning of the tree to reduce the chances of future damage to phone lines and he will insure it would not be detrimental to the appearance of the tree. As it is half a day's work for a couple of men so would cost £250. The Council agreed via Email to accept the quote from Rob Sim to carry out the work. The Clerk then contacted Rob Sim to ask him to carry out the work to which Rob agreed. It was also recommended that the Council Members be asked to confirm that an E Mail exchange took place to agree to the course of action needing to be taken regarding the copper beech tree due to its assumed urgency.</p> <p>RESOLVED that it be noted that Members of the Parish Council confirmed that an E Mail exchange took place to agree to and confirm the course of action needing to be taken regarding the copper beech tree due to its assumed urgency, which was to accept the quote from Rob Sim to carry out the work.</p>
16/23 - Low Plains Quarry Update.	<p>The Council received an update regarding the Low Plains Quarry.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the letter to David Hughes should now be sent requesting the conditions of the Low Plains planning application.</p>
16/47 - Closure of Railway between Carlisle and Appleby.	RESOLVED that it be noted that the issue of the closure of the Railway between Carlisle and Appleby due to the landslide at Eden Brows is still ongoing.
16/49 – Parish Field and Grazing to Let.	<p>The Council received an update about the Parish field and grazing to let for 2016, which included considering the ownership of the goal posts. An issue over the goal posts and insurance liability has arisen. As it stands it is believed the goal posts are not covered by Insurance so this needs to be discussed further and resolved. The Cub Scouts don't mind them staying on the land. However, there is an issue with ownership which the Parish Council will need to address before removal if that was the course of action to be taken. The Council may need to remove and store them until they find out who owns them. Councillor John Judson has checked the goal posts and they are safely concreted in so should not fall. However, the net hooks on the posts need removing as this could be deemed a health and safety issue and modern nets do not need them. The Treasurer has asked for quotes from the Insurer's to cover the goal posts for damage and public liability. Public Liability for the goals posts will cost £183 plus VAT with additional cost for damage replacement.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the Council agreed to the goal posts in the parish sports field being insured for damage and public liability.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that Councillor John Judson will remove the hooks on the goal posts for health and safety reasons.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that the Clerk inform the Cub Scouts that the goalposts in the Parish sports field are to be insured for public liability and damage.</p>

16/90	Public Participation.	<p>The Chair asked the Parishioners present if they wished to make any Contributions relating to any items on the agenda; or any other parish related matter which they may wish to raise.</p> <p>A parishioner enquired about the plastic recycling and the ownership of the cage.</p> <p>A Kirkoswald parishioner has complained about the Fish & Chip sign being permanently erected on the roadside adjacent to the Eden Bridge recycling centre as he considered it to be an eyesore, especially as the van only visits once a week. He asked if it was necessary and did it have permission to be there?</p> <p>RESOLVED that the Clerk would Email copies of the Minutes that covered the issue of the plastic recycling and the ownership of the cage to the parishioner so that he could find out what has happened.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that the Clerk reply to the parishioner from Kirkoswald to say that his comments about the Fish & Chip sign have been noted and that the Council are happy for the sign to remain where it is.</p>
16/91	Fibre Optic Broadband.	<p>The Council received a report regarding Fibre Optic Superfast Broadband from Brian Smythe.</p> <p>The Connecting Cumbria programme is now into the planning phase for Phase 2 of the roll-out, awaiting approval of their plan by BDUK. This may include the area around Low Plains that connects into the Calthwaite exchange. Brian has a briefing on Phase 2 from Connecting Cumbria on 25th May and will report back at the June PC meeting. Phase 2 is planned to complete by end 2018.</p> <p>BT is offering a Community Fibre Partnership for those communities that are not in either their commercial or BDUK fibre roll-out plans. Subject to the outcome of a feasibility report carried out by BT, this would require 50% funding from the community.</p> <p>The alternative options for these communities are either a wireless broadband service such as LonsdaleNet or a satellite broadband service such as Europasat.</p> <p>There is now a government grant available through Connecting Cumbria for those properties that cannot receive download speeds of at least 2Mbps. The grant is for the installation costs of a satellite broadband connection. The subscriber will be responsible for all on-going costs.</p> <p>The PC will assess how to extend SFBB to all of the outlying communities and properties after we have a better understanding of Phase 2 of Connecting Cumbria.</p> <p>RESOLVED that Brian Smythe be thanked for his report about superfast broadband, the contents of which were noted.</p>
16/92	Report from the District Councillor Gordon Nicolson.	<p>The Council received a report from the District Councillor Gordon Nicolson about Eden District Council matters affecting the Parish.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. District Councillor Gordon Nicolson was approached by parishioners on fringe of the village regarding the garden waste collection to ask if it could be extended to them. Councillor Nicolson is currently dealing with this. 2. The extension to the Town Hall in Penrith is not going ahead. However, they are looking at the old Co-op building as an alternative building. This is to be considered at the Eden District Council meeting in July 2016. 3. The Council is up grading their IT to improve online facilities and contact centres, so that more payments can be taken over the telephone and

		<p>online. This includes upgrading security on this too. The Council are also microfiching all of their records etc.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. The Footway Lighting policy is being update. Thirty lights, although originally approved, could not be replaced across Eden for several different reasons. Grant aid for lighting provided by Parish Councils is still being decided. 5. Assets are being handed over by Eden District Council to Parish Council's - e.g. some public services, war memorials, public seating, band stands, foot lights, public toilets etc...
		<p>RESOLVED that it be noted that District Councillor Gordon Nicolson reserved the right to speak on other issues on the agenda.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that District Councillor Gordon Nicolson be thanked for his report, the contents of which were noted.</p>
16/93	Report from County Councillor Hilary Carrick.	<p>The Council received a written report from County Councillor Hilary Carrick about County Council matters affecting the Parish.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Cumbria Highways have a new hot line number to ring Tel: 0300 303 2992. 2. There is plenty of activity regarding the highways with a programme of activities over the coming months: Surface dressing with tar and chipping starting on the outlying minor roads at the end of May 2016. At the end of June 2016 the Lazonby to Plumpton and the Lazonby to Penrith roads. The micro asphalt is to be put on the main road through the village during the 2nd half of August 2016 before the schools go back. 3. Highways lights (not footway lights) are being upgraded to LED lights by replacing the heads. There are 28 to be done throughout the parish of Lazonby. It is Cumbria County Council's statutory responsibility to provide lights in all new developments.
		<p>RESOLVED that it be noted that County Councillor Hilary Carrick reserved the right to speak on other issues on the agenda.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that County Councillor Hilary Carrick be thanked for her report, the contents of which were noted.</p>
16/94	Review of Standing Orders, Financial Regulations and adopting other policies and procedures.	<p>The Council considered if any amendments should be made to the current Standing Orders and Financial Regulations of the Council. The Clerk has made the amendments to the Financial Regulations however due to lack of time between meetings the Treasurer has not yet been able to liaise with the Clerk, so would like to request to bring them back to the June 2016 meeting of the Parish Council to officially adopt. The Standing Orders do not need any amendments.</p>
		<p>RESOLVED that the amended Financial Regulations be brought back to the June 2016 Meeting of the Council to be considered for adoption.</p>
16/95	Adopting Further Policies and Procedures.	<p>The Council considered adopting other formal policies, such as Complaints Procedures and Equality Policy. The Clerks has been looking into the Parish Council adopting further formal polices and would be happy to adapt existing models for Lazonby Parish Council. Then bring the adapted policies back to the appropriate Committee for consideration, and then the Council for approval and adoption. This may take some time to complete but it would be beneficial to the Parish Council.</p>
		<p>RESOLVED that the Council agree to the proposals by the Clerk to adopted other formal policies and bring the adapted policies back to the appropriate Committee for consideration, and then to the Council for final approval and adoption.</p>

<p>16/96</p>	<p>Schedule of Council Meetings and Venues for 2016/2017.</p>	<p>The Council considered the schedule for Council meetings and the venues from June 2016 until May 2017, having been recommended that the following dates be booked, usually being the first Wednesday of every month. These dates exclude August 2016 and January 2017 as no Council meeting is held during those months:</p> <p>Wednesday 1st June 2016; Wednesday 6th July 2016; Wednesday 7th September 2016; Wednesday 5th October 2016; Wednesday 2nd November 2016; Wednesday 14th December 2016; Wednesday 1st February 2017; Wednesday 1st March 2017; Wednesday 5th April 2017; Wednesday 3rd May 2017.</p> <p>However, due to the Clerk having a prior engagement on Wednesday 7th December 2016 the Clerk asked if the meeting could be held a week later on Wednesday 14th December 2016.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the Parish Council meet on the recommended dates, with the meetings to be held in the Village Hall, where available, starting at 7.30 pm; except for the Open Parish Meeting on 3rd May 2017 which will start at 7 pm followed by the Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Parish Council.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that the Clerk book these dates with the available venues, and confirm them with the Parish Council, relevant external bodies and parishioners.</p>
<p>16/97</p>	<p>Establishment of Committees and Working Groups 2016/2017.</p>	<p>The Council considered the re-establishment of existing Committee and Working Groups for 2016 - 2017. The following are the 2015 - 2016 Committees and Members.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Planning Committee Members 2015 – 2016: Councillors Virginia Minihan, Chris Hill and Christine Chamberlain. 2. Environment and Neighbourhood Committee Members 2015 – 2016: Councillors Chris Hill, Chris West, John Judson and Gordon Nicolson 3. Finance and Budget Committee Members 2015 – 2016: Councillors John Judson, Virginia Minihan, Peter Minihan and Treasurer Chris Hoy. <p>The Council also considered re-establishing the Governance Committee. The Members in 2014 - 2015 were Councillors Gordon Nicolson, Penny Clay and Peter Minihan. However, this was not considered or minuted at the last May 2015 meeting of the Parish Council, and so will need to be re-established at this May 2016 meeting of the Parish Council. The Governance Committee considers issues around the Standing Orders, Financial Regulations, Code of Conduct and other general administration, as well as complaints against the Parish Council and Officers.</p> <p>The Council also considered if any new Committees or Working groups need to be established.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the Committee Members for 2016 - 2017 are as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Planning Committee Members 2016 – 2017: Councillors Virginia Minihan, Chris Hill and Christine Chamberlain. 2. Environment and Neighbourhood Committee Members 2016 – 2017: Councillors Chris Hill, Chris West, John Judson and Gordon Nicolson 3. Finance and Budget Committee Members 2016 – 2017: Councillors

		<p>John Judson, Virginia Minihan, Peter Minihan and Treasurer Chris Hoy.</p> <p>4. Governance Committee 206 – 2017: Councillors Gordon Nicolson, Peter Minihan and Tim Wright.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that no new Committees or Working groups needed to be established.</p>
16/98	<p>Representatives on Outside Bodies 2016/2017.</p>	<p>The Council considered the appointment of representatives to serve on the following outside bodies for 2016/2017. The following are the 2015 - 2016 Parish Council representatives.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Eden Association of Local Councils – Councillor Gordon Nicolson; 2. Low Plains Quarry Liaison Forum – Councillor Virginia Minihan; 3. Lazonby Village Hall Management Committee – Councillor Chris Hill; 4. Lazonby and District Swimming Pool Association Management Committee – Councillor Christine Chamberlain. <p>RESOLVED that the following Members to be appointed to represent the Parish Council for 2016/2017, as indicated:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Eden Association of Local Councils – Councillor Gordon Nicolson; 2. Low Plains Quarry Liaison Forum – Councillor Virginia Minihan; 3. Lazonby Village Hall Management Committee – Councillor Chris Hill; 4. Lazonby and District Swimming Pool Association Management Committee – Councillor Christine Chamberlain.
16/99	<p>Lazonby Parish Projects:</p> <p>a. Registration of Parish Land.</p>	<p>The Council received an update regarding the registration of Parish land. Bethan Griffiths, Solicitor at Cartmell Shepherd, has contacted the Clerk to inform the Council that she has been speaking with the Methodist Church Solicitor from Sintons LLP. Apparently the Methodist Church Trustees are happy for the registration to progress however they want their rights over the land correctly documented. Bethan’s understanding is this mainly relates to the rights of access along the path shown coloured green on the attached plan together with the right to any services that there may be serving the Church in, on under or over the property. The Methodist Church Trustees have asked whether the Parish Council would consider transferring the footpath shown coloured green on the attached plan to the Methodist Church. Bethan has asked if the Parish Council’s can give her instructions on this matter Bethan has also said in a follow up Email that at this stage, please treat the request as an enquiry and not a definite offer. The Methodist Church’s solicitor has asked me to put the proposal to the Parish Council to see if it is something that they will consider. The Parish Council discussed the issue of protecting the right of way for parishioners using the path to access their properties – Rock House and Beck House.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the Council agreed to the transfer of the path to the Methodist Church Trustees as long as they pay for any costs related to the transfer and that the Council see any paperwork relating to the transfer before it is finalised.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that the issue of protecting the right of way for parishioners using the path to access their properties, Rock House and Beck House, was considered.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that the Clerk let Bethan Griffiths of Cartmell Shepherd Solicitors know of the Council’s decision.</p>

	<p>b. Neighbourhood Plan.</p>	<p>The Council received an update regarding the Neighbourhood Plan. The Neighbourhood Plan is still on-going.</p> <p>RESOLVED that it be noted that the next Neighbourhood Plan meeting is Thursday 12th May 2016.</p>
	<p>c. Street lighting in the Parish.</p>	<p>RESOLVED that it be noted that there was nothing further to report about the street lighting in the parish and to remove this from the agenda.</p>
	<p>d. Scaur Close Green.</p>	<p>RESOLVED that it be noted that there was no report about the Scaur Close Green project.</p>
	<p>e. Community Playground.</p>	<p>The Council received an update about the Community Playground. The Clerk had written to the Lazonby & District Swimming Pool as agreed at the April 2016 meeting of the Parish Council but the Clerk has not received a reply.</p> <p>RESOLVED that it be noted that there was nothing more to report about the Community Playground at present.</p>
<p>16/100</p>	<p>Financial Report by the Treasurer.</p>	<p>The Council received a report from the Treasurer (please see attached Treasurer's Report). The Parish Precept has now been paid into the Parish Council's bank account.</p> <p>The Treasurer gave the following Budget Review:</p> <p>In October 2015, the treasurer listed all the known projects for the year with two projects carried over from 2015/2016. The preliminary projects a reserve of £11,102 as of 31/03/17.</p> <p>Final budget 2016/2017 – with all the revised information such as the agreed grant applications; unspent budgets for street lights, land registry and Scaur Close Green; and inclusion of the grant from Friends of the Lake District towards the Scaur Close Green Project. Thus, the Budget deficit becomes £6410 inflating the reserves balance to £12,666 as of 31/03/17.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase in grants - £500 ex gratia payment to the Lazonby & District swimming pool for the maintenance of the Community Playground. • The ground worker for the summer 2016 - £1500 (this will need to be discussed further). • Community Playground Equipment repairs - £1000 – the invoice from Eden District Council has not arrived as yet. • Tree Surgery on the Copper Beech tree near Croglin Designs - £500 • Scaur Close Green Project - £2000 – with grant of £650 – should leave a surplus by the end of the year. • Footway Lighting - £2000 – will review in November 2016 • Land Registry - £1200 – soon to be finalised. <p>To Conclude:</p> <p>The Council Tax is due to increase by 4% each year over 5 years so will mean that over that period the accumulated effect will be a 20% hike in bills to the household. This will leave inflation lagging in its wake, probably accumulated to 8%. Households will soon realise this financially. Therefore, the Treasurer recommends that the Parish Council sets the Parish Precept over this period to use all the monies allocated for projects in the Budget, if it is not used then it is not necessary. Excess reserves provide no return to the Council Tax payer when the interest earned totals £15 per annum. The Treasurer believes that if possible, and grant demand is low, the levels of Parish Precept must be considered with respect to reducing the burden of future higher Council Tax bills. The Budget spend and what remains will be reviewed at the October 2016 Meeting for consideration in November 2016.</p>

		<p>It was also recommended that an amendment be made regarding the Minutes of the Parish Council for December 2015 following the discovery that the funding given to the Lazonby & District swimming pool of £250 had not been recorded in the resolve although agreed to.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the Chair Councillor Virginia Minihan and the Clerk to the Parish Council sign the annual return for the external audit.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that it be noted that Lazonby & District swimming pool was awarded a grant of £250 by the Council in December 2015 as part of the grant awards programme, although this was not recorded in the December 2015 Minutes of the Parish Council.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that the position of ground worker for summer 2016 be put on the June 2016 agenda for consideration.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that the Treasurer be thanked for his report, the contents of which were approved, accepted and noted.</p>
16/101	Authority for Payments.	<p>RESOLVED that the Annual Subscription 2016/2017 for Cumbria Association of Local Councils (CALC) of £214.00 be paid.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that the sum of £15 be paid to Angela Milburn of Eden District Council for the Land registry documents about the ownership of the steps near the railway station.</p>
16/102	Planning Applications – New (or Appeal).	<p>The Council considered the following Planning Applications, which were issued for consultation by Eden District Council or County Council.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Planning Application Reference No: <u>3/16/9007</u>. Location: West Brownrigg Quarry, Plumpton, Penrith, CA11 9PF (Grid Ref: 351800 537100) Proposal: Section 73 application to vary conditions 2, 4 and 11 of Planning Permission 3/11/9007 to amend the timescales for the progressive restoration and to utilise additional blasting methods. 2. Planning Application No: 16/0349 - (Full Application) Proposed garden room, at Bridge House, Lazonby CA101BL. <p>RESOLVED that the Council had the following COMMENTS to make regarding planning application reference no: <u>3/16/9007</u>. Location: West Brownrigg Quarry, Plumpton, Penrith, CA11 9PF (Grid Ref: 351800 537100) Proposal: Section 73 application to vary conditions 2, 4 and 11 of Planning Permission 3/11/9007 to amend the timescales for the progressive restoration and to utilise additional blasting methods.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. When the original planning application was made over twenty years ago the Lazonby Parish Councillors at that time were concerned that the removal of top soil would be a problem. Firstly, they were concerned because the top soil was only a thin layer in that area; and secondly they were concerned that if it was left too long in the piles it was stored in, it would be eroded by the weather. Therefore, the present Parish Council having taken these original concerns into consideration would like the quarry to be reinstated back to how it was before the quarrying started as soon as possible, therefore adhering to the original conditions as set out in the original planning application. <p>ALSO RESOLVED that the Council has NO COMMENTS to make regarding planning application No: 16/0349 (Full Application) Proposed garden room, at Bridge House, Lazonby CA101BL.</p>
16/103	Planning Applications – Decisions.	<p>RESOLVED that it be noted that there were no Planning Application Decisions received:</p>

16/104	Police up-date.	RESOLVED that it be noted that the Council received information about the Police and Crime Commissioner Elections to be held in Cumbria on 5th May 2016.
16/105	Lazonby Fire/Rescue Service.	RESOLVED that it be noted that no written or verbal report was received by Lazonby Fire/rescue Service.
16/106	Housing Development in the Parish.	RESOLVED that there was no further update regarding the Barton Dale signs.
16/107	Traffic and Parking Issues in the Village.	<p>The Council received any traffic or parking issues in the village. Jeff Taylor, Roads Policing Analyst 4051, has contacted the Clerk with the following Email. The Email was sent after the Parish Council requested the presence of the yellow safety van (speed camera) in the village, especially near to the school, after the Parish Council had received numerous complaints of speeding traffic travelling up and down the main road of the village passed the school, especially during school hours:</p> <p><i>“The below issue was discussed by the local CRASH (Casualty Reduction And Safer Highways) group at Carlisle Police Station yesterday. A speed survey that had been carried out between 24/03/2016 and 03/04/2016 has shown that the 85% of vehicles passing the site was below the recommended threshold for enforcement and, also taking into account the recent injury collision data it was decided that no enforcement would be authorised. Due to the ongoing financial restraints placed on us we do not have the resources we once had to respond to such requests and have to be more intelligence led to ensure there is a speeding issue, as opposed to a perception of speeding, and also take into account the number of injury collisions in the area. Should the Parish Council wish to have the Highways Agency (in this case Cumbria County Council Highways) look into the possibility of having a 20mph zone introduced we were reminded that you can approach the Local Committee to consult with CCC Highways about such a move and the Local Committee have funds for this. The TMO Team Leader for CCC Highways is Kevin Crawley. I have also attached a Community Speed Watch leaflet which explains how community members can be trained by the police in the use of a speed gun and report to the constabulary the registration numbers of any vehicles speeding through a designated area. The scheme will shortly take possession of a number of additional speed guns and other equipment donated by the CRASH group.”</i></p> <p>RESOLVED that due to no further complaints about speeding past the school that no further action be taken at present.</p>
16/108	LPC Cumbria Highways Link Person Report.	<p>The Council received a report on any other issues that have arisen since the last Council meeting concerning Cumbria Highways.</p> <p>A report was made about the increase of litter up the A6 and beyond Cragnook, near the Highways Depot. The depot is stock piling gravel for the roads and so there is an increase in activity there.</p> <p>RESOLVED that County Councillor Hilary Carrick will enquire at Cumbria County Council about the increase of litter up the A6 and beyond Cragnook, near the Highways Depot, to ensure it has nothing to do with the increased activity at the depot and see if they can deal with it.</p>
16/109	Emergency Procedures for Parish.	<p>The Council considered a date for the Environment and Neighbourhood Committee to meet to discuss the implementation of an emergency plan for the Parish using the ACT template for emergency planning.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the Environment and Neighbourhood Committee meet to discuss the implementation of an emergency plan for the Parish on Monday 16th May at 7.30 pm.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that the Clerk will book a venue for the meeting and let the</p>

		committee members know.
16/110	Lazonby 10 k Run.	<p>The Council considered a notification about a 10 K run in Lazonby. The Clerk received an Email from Helen Borradaile who wrote <i>"to say that we are planning on running Lazonby 10 k in aid of the school and jigsaw children's hospice on 5th June 2016. We have run it successfully twice so far. We have notified the police, hospital and Cumbria County Council. We will have first aid on site and have full Marshall presence throughout the route. I hope this is ok? Any concerns please contact me."</i></p> <p>RESOLVED that the notification about a 10 K run in Lazonby be noted.</p>
16/111	Highway Notices regarding Defibrillators in the Parish.	<p>The Council considered they would be willing to pay for Highways signs around the parish that would indicate that there are defibrillators in the village. The Clerk received the following Email from Elaine Thomson regarding the installation of highways signs indicating that there are defibrillators in the village:</p> <p><i>"As you drive around the area, you may have seen highway notices at the entrance to various villages e.g. Heskett, Caldbeck, indicating that there are defibrillators available for use by the whole community at various locations. There are now 3 defibs in Lazonby. The signs are 280x425mm in size and cost £23.50 each. The signs are paid for by the customer, such as the local Parish Council. The signs have already been approved by Cumbria County Council's highway department, so no further authorisation is required. Also, as the signs are for a good cause, the highways department has agreed that the Better Highways teams can install the signs when they're next passing through or working in the area; at no extra cost. I am writing to ask whether the Parish Council would be prepared to pay for the signs which I suggest would be placed on the signs saying "LAZONBY" on the four access roads into the village. That would come to a total of £94.00."</i></p> <p>RESOLVED that the Council agree to pay the cost of the Highways signs around the parish that would indicate that there are defibrillators in the village.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that the Clerk inform Elaine Thompson about the Council's decision to pay for the Highways signs for the defibrillators, and to invoice the Parish Council.</p>
16/112	Steps to the Railway Station.	<p>The Council considered who owns the Steps from the Co-op to the Railway Station due to recent health and safety issues. A parishioner contacted the Parish Council to inform them that on Monday 11th April 2016, whilst on her way to catch the replacement bus to Carlisle at 7.30 am, fell on the steps leading down from the station to the Co-op. This resulted in breaking her ankle and having to be taken to hospital which has left her off work for the following 4 weeks at least. The parishioner wanted the Council to note that there was no handrail on these steps and in summer the steps can often be overgrown with weeds and in the winter they are icy. The parishioner asked if this was a Health & Safety matter the Parish Council should be attending to. The Clerk then replied to say that the Parish Council had been informed of the parishioner's accident on the steps leading down from the railway station to the Co-op. The Clerk also informed the parishioner that the Parish Council do not own the steps, although in the past they have tried to find out who owns them but no one has ever claimed ownership. The Clerk also suggested that it is a Health and Safety matter that the parishioner may wish to take up with the owners of the railway station 'Northern'. Apparently, the handrail was removed over 40 years ago, however when it was present it was painted in railway colours implying that the steps were the responsibility of the railway station. One of the Councillors has also been in touch with 'Northern' to ask if they know who owns the steps and is awaiting a reply.</p> <p>After a request from the Parish Council, Eden District Council provided</p>

		<p>information from the Land Registry (at a cost of £15) that indicates that the land including the steps was leased to the Midland Hotel by the Railway. Subsequently the Midland Hotel took on the freehold of the land upon which the Hotel stands but not the area of the steps. Therefore the steps remain the responsibility of the Railway (Network Rail) who is the official owner of the land.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the Clerk write to the parishioner, who had an accident on the steps up to the railway station, to inform her that as far as the Parish Council have been able to find out from the Land Registry, the steps belong to Network Rail; and to suggest that the parishioner contact a Personal Injury Solicitor to take up her case.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that Councillor Tim Wright will inform Network Rail that the absence of a handrail on the steps up to the railway station is a hazard and would they replace it.</p>
16/113	Footpath along the River Eden.	<p>TO CONSIDER the current state of the footpath along the river Eden regarding recent fence repairs. The Clerk has been notified about the footpath alongside the river Eden needing attention regarding barb wire and old fencing posts being left after recent fence repairs. The area of concern is the first field that is next to Batemans Lane (Parish Land) and the section that runs along the riverbank which is not owned by the Parish. The recent floods destroyed the fences (posts with single barbed wire across) which belong to the landowner. The landowner has replaced the posts with new barbed wire to make the boundary giving ample footway access. However the problem is that the landowner has not cleared away the old barbed wire and some of the original posts which are strewn along the riverbank and wrapped around some trees in about five locations. The fields beyond are fine. This barbed wire is very visible and could be a potential hazard should any locals, fishermen, campers, livestock and even dogs slip and fall down the bank.</p> <p>RESOLVED that Councillor John Judson would find out who owned the land and then the Council would contact them to ask them to clear the old fencing away.</p>
16/114	Invitations to Participate.	RESOLVED that it be noted that there were no invitations to participate.
16/115	INFORMATION given for reference only.	<p>RESOLVED that it be noted that the following information has been given out for reference only:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Cumbria County Council Highways Hotline number has changed. The new number is 0300 303 2992. The hotline is one method by which the public can report issues with the highway. The change from a 0845 number to a 0300 number will mean a lower call cost for the majority of callers, although this will depend on which phone company they are with, whether it is a land line or mobile, and where they are calling from. Anyone calling the Cumbria County Council Highways Hotline on the 0845 number will still get through. A recorded message will inform them that it is cheaper to redial on the 0300 number, but they will also be given the option to remain on the line to be connected. Callers will also be encouraged to report highways issues online. The recorded message will run until such time as calls to the 0845 have reduced to a minimum. Cumbria County Council did not generate any income from the 0845 number and this will remain the case for the new 0300 number.
16/116	Date of the Next Meeting.	RESOLVED that it be noted that the date of the next scheduled Meeting be confirmed as Wednesday 1 st June 2016 - the venue is to be announced.