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## LAZONBY PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes

**For the Council Meeting held on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2016, starting at approximately 7.30 p.m. in the Jubilee Rooms, Lazonby Village Hall.**

**Present:** Chair Councillor Virginia Minihan.

Councillors Christine Chamberlain, John Judson, Gordon Nicolson, Peter Minihan, Chris West 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 Councillor Chris Hill.

ITEM / MINUTE No.	ITEM	BUSINESS
16/54	<b>The filling of Council Member Vacancies by Co-option.</b>	<p>The Council considered nominations to fill the Council Member vacancies left unfilled at the election by reason of insufficient nominations.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that it be noted that the Parish Council will continue to look to co-opt new Council Members to fill the remaining two positions.</p>
16/55	<b>Requests for Dispensations.</b>	<p><b>RESOLVED</b> 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.</p>
16/56	<b>Declaration of Interest.</b>	<p>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.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that it be noted that Councillor Gordon Nicolson declared a personal and prejudicial interest in matters concerning Eden District Council.</p>
16/57	<b>Matters of Urgency.</b>	<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"> <li>1. Planning application No: 16/0255 - (Full Application) proposed side extension to provide disabled toilets, at Lazonby Swimming Pool, Lazonby CA101BL which arrived too late to be placed on the agenda.</li> <li>2. The Clerk received an Email from Tina Mason, the Contracts Officer and Corporate Health and Safety Officer at Eden District Council, regarding the recycling collection at Eden Bridge Car Park recycling centre which arrived too late to be placed on the agenda. Tina Mason reported that Eden District Council have recently had two reported incidents of plastic waste being fly-tipped at Lazonby bring site and being put in the recycling bins not meant for plastic. The first incident was reported on the 10th March 2016 and another incident has been reported today. Tina attached photos. Eden District Council have arranged at cost for the plastics to be removed from the site by our contractor and have placed additional signage on the bin, stating the bin is only to be used to recycle glass and cans. Their Recycling contractor has had to reject the loads due to the contamination, and so Eden District Council would therefore appreciate the Parish Council's help in</li> </ol>

		<p>this matter, by informing local residents that plastics cannot be recycled at the bring site in Lazonby. If this continues to happen it will dramatically affect the tonnages collected and therefore impact on the payments made to the Parish Council. Councillor Gordon Nicolson has responded by asking again for Eden District Council to review the siting of plastic recycling bins at Eden Bridge Recycling Centre.</p> <p>3. A reminder about the Annual Open Parish Meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> May 2016 starting at 7pm, followed by the Council's AGM at approximately 7.30pm after it was left off the agenda by mistake.</p>
		<p><b>RESOLVED</b> that planning application No: 16/0255 - (Full Application) proposed side extension to provide disabled toilets, at Lazonby Swimming Pool, Lazonby CA101BL be considered on the agenda in Planning Applications – New (or Appeal).</p> <p><b>ALSO RESOLVED</b> that the Clerk write an article for the Parish Council's Newsletter to ask the community not to put plastic recycling in the bins at the recycling centre at Eden Bridge.</p> <p><b>ALSO RESOLVED</b> that notices will be put up in the parish and on the Parish Council Website to advertise the Parish Councils Annual Open Meeting.</p>
16/58	Minutes of the Council Meeting of the 2 <sup>nd</sup> March 2016.	<p>The Minutes of the Council Meeting of the 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2016 were considered.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that the Minutes of the Council Meeting of the 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2016 be approved and signed as a true record of those proceedings.</p>
16/59	Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Council Meeting of the 2 <sup>nd</sup> March 2016.	<p>The Council considered any matters arising from the Minutes of the 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2016.</p>
	15/152 - Report from County Councillor Hilary Carrick.	<p>The Council received an update about the resurfacing of Scaur Lane.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that the resurfacing of Scaur Lane is to be done in the next few months.</p>
	15/170 - Town and Country Planning Act 1990 Appeal under section 78 for Planning Application 14/0919.	<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 wrote to the Planning Inspectorate to complain about not receiving notification about the Lilacs Appeal. Amanda Hawkings, Planning Casework Team Leader, replied to say that she had passed the letter to their complaints department who deal with post decision correspondence. Amanda also went on to say that on a procedural point they only send copies of decisions to third parties that have requested a copy, it is not an automatic process and that there does not appear to be any requests for copy of the decision in the representations they have received. Amanda also said that the complaints department will be in touch shortly. The Clerk replied to say that the Council did not know that they had to make a formal request. The Clerk is still waiting on a reply from the complaints department.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that the report about the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 Appeal under section 78 for Planning Application 14/0919 be noted.</p>
	15/190 - Overgrown pavement, Seat and damaged Bus Stop Sign - Armathwaite Rd End.	<p><b>RESOLVED</b> 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.</p>

<b>15/244 - Wall at Bank Foot.</b>	<p>The Council received an update on the collapsed Wall at Bank Foot. There has been no further progress made.</p>
	<p><b>RESOLVED</b> that the Clerk would contact Allan Parker at Eden District Council to ask for a progress report on the collapsed wall at Bank Foot.</p>
<b>15/257 – Public Participation - Advertisement Banner at Lazonby Train Station.</b>	<p>The Council received an update about the advertisement banner at Lazonby Train Station. The advert has been booked for 12 months starting from January 2016. It was also reported that from the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016 there will be changes to the Northern Rail franchise and a management reshuffle. Peter Myers is the railway contact for this issue.</p>
	<p><b>RESOLVED</b> that Councillor Tim Wright would ask Peter Myers of Northern if they could notify the Parish Council of any future advertising at the station.</p> <p><b>ALSO RESOLVED</b> that the Clerk contact the parishioner who has been very concerned about the advertising banner issue to give him an update.</p>
<b>16/21 - Fishing Sign Replacement.</b>	<p>The Council received an update about the Fishing Sign replacement after the previous one was lost in the floods. Councillor John Judson has put up the new fishing sign and re-fixed the canoe sign that came off in the floods.</p>
	<p><b>RESOLVED</b> that Councillor John Judson be thanked for putting the replacement fishing sign up and re-fixing the canoe sign.</p>
<b>16/22 - Copper Beech Tree at Croglin Designs.</b>	<p>The Council received an update about the Copper Beech Tree at Croglin Designs. Councillor Peter Minihan has still not had any more quotes back for the work on the copper beech tree. The Clerk has asked Rob Sim if he could assess the tree and advise the Parish Council what needs to be done; and if work on the tree was needed could he give a quote for the work required. The Clerk is waiting for a reply as Rob has said he will look this week. As the work has been seen as fairly urgent the Council agreed that they would pursue this issue by Email between now and the next meeting in May 2016, in order to get the work done.</p>
	<p><b>RESOLVED</b> that once the Clerk has heard from Rob Sim that the Council Members are contacted, and the issue discussed and agreed on via Email, then reported back to the May 2016 meeting of the Council.</p>
<b>16/23 - Low Plains Quarry Update.</b>	<p>The Council received an update regarding the Low Plains Quarry at present. County Councillor Carrick reported that the decision on conditions still needed to be taken, with April 13<sup>th</sup> being the date for determination, with the conditions in place by 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2016.</p>
	<p><b>RESOLVED</b> that it be noted that a letter to David Hughes still needed to be sent requesting the conditions but only once the conditions have been agreed and reported.</p>

<p><b>16/38 – Financial Report by the Treasurer.</b></p>	<p>The Council received an update about changing the purpose of the original Parish Council grant offer to Lazonby School from a climbing frame to an outdoor sand pit. As agreed at the March 2016 meeting of the Parish Council the Finance &amp; Budget Committee were asked to discuss via Email the issue of changing the purpose of the original Parish Council grant offer from a climbing frame to an outdoor sand pit; and then to bring their recommendations back to the April 2016 meeting of the Parish Council. The Committee decided that they had no objection to the request from the Acting Head of Lazonby School to use the grant money for a sandpit rather than the original request for a climbing frame.</p> <p>It recommended that the Members of the Finance &amp; Budget Committee be asked to confirm that an E Mail exchange took place to agree to the issue of changing the purpose of the original Parish Council grant offer from a climbing frame to an outdoor sand pit.</p> <p>It was also recommended by the Finance &amp; Budget Committee that the Council agree to the request from the Acting Head of Lazonby School to use the grant money for a sandpit rather than the original request for a climbing frame.</p> <hr/> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that it be noted that Members of the Finance &amp; Budget Committee confirmed that an E Mail exchange took place to agree to the recommendations made to the Council that they accept the Acting Head of Lazonby School request to use the grant money for a sandpit rather than the original request for a climbing frame.</p> <p><b>ALSO RESOLVED</b> that the Council agreed to the Finance &amp; Budget Committee’s recommendation to accept the request from the Acting Head of Lazonby School to use the grant money for a sandpit rather than the original request for a climbing frame.</p> <p><b>ALSO RESOLVED</b> that the Treasurer Chris Hoy would inform the Acting Head of Lazonby School of the Council's decision.</p>
<p><b>16/47 - Closure of Railway between Carlisle and Appleby.</b></p>	<p>The Council received an update about the closure of the Railway between Carlisle and Appleby due to the landslide at Eden Brows. Councillor Tim Wright reported that Peter Myers is Northern’s contact. Trains will go between Leeds and Armathwaite, and then a bus service from Armathwaite and Carlisle.</p> <hr/> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that Councillor Tim Wright will find out more about the times of the drop-ins regarding the train/bus service covering the closure of the railway between Carlisle and Appleby.</p>
<p><b>16/49 – Parish Field and Grazing to Let.</b></p>	<p>The Council received an update about the Parish Sports field and grazing to let for 2016. Following the last meeting of the Parish Council when the Cub Scouts had asked to lease the field, the Clerk asked the Cub Scouts if they would like to rent the allotment part of the Parish Sports field at a cost of £50 including responsibility for the maintenance and grass cutting of that part of the field. However, when contacted about this they asked if they could rent the larger part of the Parish Sports field with the goal posts instead. The Council agreed after a discussion, via Email due to time restrictions, that they could for a higher sum of £85. The Cub Scouts were very happy to agree to this.</p> <p>The Clerk then put posters up advertising the old allotment part of the Parish Sports field for let for sheep grazing. However, since the March 2016 meeting of the Parish Council the Chair Councillor Virginia Minihan and the Clerk to the Council were given the authority by the Council, via Email again, to open the bids received for the grazing on the Parish playing field and make any decisions in relation to the letting from the 1st April 2016, and then bring back the decision on the winning bidder to this meeting of the Parish Council. The Council received notification that only one bid was received for the sheep grazing, from Mr Blaylock who had offered £75 for the rental of the old allotment part of the Parish Sports field. Due to the timetable for the lease of</p>

		<p>the field, the Clerk informed Mr Blaylock by telephone that he was the successful bidder because the lease started on the 1st April 2016.</p> <p>It was also recommended that the Members be asked to confirm that an E Mail exchange took place to agree to and confirm that they gave authority to the Chair Councillor Virginia Minihan and the Clerk to the Council to open the bids received for the grazing on the Parish playing field and make any decisions in relation to the letting from the 1st April 2015.</p> <p>A discussion also took place about the safety of the goal posts and any public liability insurance covering the land. The goal posts are not the property of the Council.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that the Council accepted the letting of the grazing in the old allotment part of the Parish Sports field to Mr Blaylock for £75 for 2016.</p> <p><b>ALSO RESOLVED</b> that Members confirmed that an E Mail exchange took place to agree to giving the Cub Scouts the larger part of the Parish Sports field with the goal posts for the sum of £85.</p> <p><b>ALSO RESOLVED</b> that Members confirmed that an E Mail exchange took place to agree to giving authority to the Chair Councillor Virginia Minihan and the Clerk to the Council to open the bids received for the grazing on the Parish Sports field and make any decisions in relation to the letting from the 1st April 2016.</p> <p><b>ALSO RESOLVED</b> that the Clerk writes to Mr Blaylock and the Cub Scouts to inform them of the terms of payment.</p> <p><b>ALSO RESOLVED</b> that Councillor John Judson would check the goal posts on the Parish Sports field to see if they were safe.</p>
	<p><b>16/50 - Dog fouling in the Village.</b></p>	<p>The Council received an update about the dog fouling in the village. The Parish Council has their quota of dog fouling bins in the parish. The Clerk has still to put this in the Parish Council's Newsletter.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that the Clerk will put an article about picking up after dogs in the May 2016 Newsletter.</p>
<p><b>16/60</b></p>	<p><b>Public Participation.</b></p>	<p>A parishioner had written to the Council asking for permission to clear up the debris left over from the flooding in December 2015 on the patch of ground between Eden Bridge and Eden Bridge Car Park. The parishioner also said that the bridge could perhaps benefit from clearance while it is low from the floods, even if it only keeps the path clear to the bridge end. The Council replied saying that they would be very grateful if the rubbish between the Eden Bridge car park and the bridge was cleared, and to encourage other villagers to help.</p> <p>A parishioner has informed the Council that the War Memorial was in need of re-pointing.</p> <p>A Parishioner has thanked the County Councillor Hilary Carrick and the Parish Council for the installation of a handrail on the road going to Carlisle.</p> <p>A Parishioner sent a copy of a letter to the Parish Council which he had sent to Eden District Council Planning regarding a possible breach of planning control on land adjacent to the railway north of the railway station.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that Councillor John Judson would seek advice about the re-pointing on the War Memorial and seek quotes for the work needing to be done.</p>

<p>16/61</p>	<p><b>Fibre Optic Broadband.</b></p>	<p>The Council received a report regarding Fibre Optic Broadband from Brian Smythe. It is now over two years since the two BT cabinets in Lazonby were enabled for super fast broadband (SFBB) with a fibre connection between the exchange and the cabinets. A significant number of homes in Lazonby have upgraded to the faster connection now available but there are still many who have not and some who are not aware of the facility.</p> <p>The key challenge for the Parish Council is to find the best way to extend SFBB coverage to all premises in the parish and this is where our efforts are being directed. Currently the two options if you cannot achieve either a standard or SFBB connection via your telephone connection are satellite or LonsdaleNET for a wireless connection but these both need a line of sight to either the satellite or the terrestrial mast. There is a link between this challenge to extend coverage and the take-up on the SFBB within the village because BT's contract with Connecting Cumbria feeds money into future extension plans once the take-up of SFBB exceeds 20% of premises passed. The key messages for those in Lazonby who have not yet upgraded to SFBB are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• You have to change your contract with your ISP (Internet Service Provider) if you wish to upgrade from Standard broadband to SFBB (it does not happen automatically just because the cabinet has been upgraded).</li> <li>• BT Openreach have provided the SFBB infrastructure but your service is provided by and your contract is with an ISP</li> <li>• Most but not all ISP's are now offering SFBB where the cabinet has been upgraded by BT and there is no set price because deals are constantly changing.</li> <li>• Most ISP's indicate if they can provide SFBB via a checker on their web site using either your post code or landline telephone number.</li> <li>• If you upgrade with your existing ISP there is normally not an issue over when your existing contract expires but if you decide to upgrade with a different ISP there may be termination penalties on your existing contract.</li> </ul> <p>There is no guarantee on what speed you will obtain with a SFBB connection but the vast majority of premises within Lazonby village should receive download speeds of between 30 and 70 Mbps. If you are more than one mile from the cabinet then the speed falls off rapidly with increasing distance. Brian has some large notices to put up in the village about superfast broadband.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that the Clerk put the report about superfast broadband in the Parish Council newsletter.</p> <p><b>ALSO RESOLVED</b> that Councillor Chris West will put up the notices in the village about superfast broadband availability.</p> <p><b>ALSO RESOLVED</b> that Brian Smythe be thanked for his report, the contents of which were noted.</p>
<p>16/62</p>	<p><b>Report from the District Councillor Gordon Nicolson.</b></p>	<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"> <li>1. The Eden Community Fund is now open for bids. There are several closing dates - 20<sup>th</sup> May 2016 for a decision on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2016, and another date 7<sup>th</sup> October 2016 with a decision on 6<sup>th</sup> December 2016. Capital grants are available up to £10,000 with a 20% contribution.</li> <li>2. The Police &amp; Crime Commissioner Elections for the Cumbria Police area are now in progress.</li> </ol> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that it be noted that District Councillor Gordon Nicolson reserved the right to speak on other issues on the agenda.</p> <p><b>ALSO RESOLVED</b> that District Councillor Gordon Nicolson be thanked for his report, the contents of which were noted.</p>

16/63	<b>Report from County Councillor Hilary Carrick.</b>	<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"> <li>1. The closure of the golf course road - C3002 Salkeld Road into Penrith, operating from 20<sup>th</sup> May 2016 for 4 weeks. This is already on the April 2016 agenda of the Parish Council.</li> <li>2. There will also be an extension of the 30 mile an hour zone on the golf course road to cover the new housing development.</li> <li>3. Cumbria County Council budget cuts have resulted in the Mobile Library service being terminated. The annual cost of the service was £35,000 with MOTS/services being a further £6,000. Recognised users will be informed by letter. Councillor Carrick is also hoping to go and see the people using the mobile library in her ward to ask them why they had used the service.</li> <li>4. The drop kerb in Scaur Lane and by the Village School has now been done.</li> <li>5. The gullies were also being unblocked near the auction market.</li> <li>6. Flood action and emergency planning are being looked at in the County regarding emergency procedures and contact numbers etc.. Cumbria ACTION has a template for emergency planning, and funding to do this is available. A list of vulnerable people in the village could be made.</li> </ol> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that it be noted that County Councillor Hilary Carrick reserved the right to speak on other issues on the agenda.</p> <p><b>ALSO RESOLVED</b> that County Councillor Hilary Carrick be thanked for her report, the contents of which were noted.</p> <p><b>ALSO RESOLVED</b> that the Clerk get hold of a copy of the Cumbria ACTION Template for emergency planning so that that Environment and Neighbourhood Committee could take it forward.</p>
16/64	<b>Lazonby Parish Projects:</b>	
<b>a. Registration of Parish Land.</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> that it be noted that there was nothing further to report regarding the registration of parish land at present.	
<b>b. Neighbourhood Plan.</b>	<p>The Council received an update regarding the Neighbourhood Plan. Councillor Gordon Nicolson has enquired about rolling over the remaining grant from Locality but it needs to be returned. There is no approved grant at the moment for the Neighbourhood Plan, so at the next meeting of the Neighbourhood Plan, the Steering Group need to agree to what they need and to set a new timetable of actions.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that the report about the Neighbourhood Plan grants be noted.</p>	
<b>c. Street lighting in the Parish.</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> that it be noted that there was nothing further to report about the street lighting in the parish at present.	
<b>d. Scaur Close Green.</b>	<p>The Council received an update regarding the Scaur Close Green project. Local parishioners Geoff Wilson and Rob Sim reported the following:</p> <p><b>Landscape and habitat improvements to Lazonby Parish Council land at Scaur Close Project Progress Update</b></p> <p>22<sup>nd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> February 2016 - Stone wall restoration work continued. Additional top-stones collected from stone-dump at Brackenbank.  Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2016 - 1 x Pine tree felled, limbed and logged. Brash burned on site.</p> <p>1<sup>st</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> March 2016 - Stone wall restoration completed.</p> <p>Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2016 - 1 x Larch tree felled, limbed and logged. Brash</p>	

		<p>burned on site.</p> <p>19<sup>th</sup> March 2016 - Rob Sim attended North Cumbria Orchard Group tree grafting seminar, Newton Rigg,</p> <p>23<sup>rd</sup> March 2016 - Temporary project information boards posted on site.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This month a further two tress have been felled, logged and brash burned. Another couple of tons of stone was obtained from the stone dump at Brackenbank and the stone wall improvement work is now completed.</li> <li>• One silver birch tree remains, from which the lower limbs have been removed. This is a tree that remains in good shape and is clear of gardens and does not deposit leaf litter into adjacent gardens. Our recommendation is that this tree should remain.</li> <li>• Dennis Holmes who lives in one of the bungalows that was most affected by leaf litter and shade caused by two of the trees has expressed his great appreciation of the work, and is aware that some smaller trees are to be re-planted.</li> <li>• Temporary information boards have been erected at the site to inform parishioners of the ongoing work.</li> <li>• Friends of the Lake District (funding support) have been kept informed of the project's progress.</li> <li>• Our expectation is that in the next month the six stumps (4 from recent work and 2 from earlier tree felling) will be stump-ground, and that the grass on the two-thirds of the site that is to be replanted will be given a first round of treatment prior to first stage rotavating. The Council may expect an invoice for this work.</li> <li>• Throughout the summer months the ground will be prepared for tree planting and grass sowing in later summer / early autumn.</li> </ul> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that Geoff Wilson and Rob Sim be thanked for their work so far and their report about the Scaur Close Green Project.</p>
	<p><b>e. Community Playground.</b></p>	<p>The Council received an update about the Community Playground. Councillor Virginia Minihan sent Jill Eastham, Chair of the Lazonby &amp; District Swimming Pool, a copy of the Plan that was sent to the Land Registry showing that the land used as the Swimming Pool car park and access to the campsite was not owned by the Parish Council but was land claimed from the river and as such was not 'owned' by anyone.</p> <p>The Council also considered the following correspondence from Jill Eastham, Chair of the Lazonby &amp; District Swimming Pool:</p> <p><i>"In assessing the needs and costs for the Management and Insurance of the Community Play Park for Lazonby Pool's take back of responsibility for the Play Park from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016 , we have some concerns that we wish to raise with Lazonby Parish Council, please:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <i>The costs for managing the Play Park have 'shocked' us and we are very concerned that the Pool will not be able to sustain meeting these ongoing costs without outside funding. I have attached a breakdown of costs for the period to 16 June 2016 which is when our Insurance Policy is due for renewal and also the estimate for Annual Running Costs. Our Insurance Company has not released details of the renewal premium yet- but we expect these and the insurance excess to rise in light of the recent flooding and damage this winter. So our annual costs are just an estimate at present. We are attending a Funding Fair in April and will get advice on what might be available to support our running costs of the Play Park. We are aware that the Parish Council has offered a £500 ex gratia payment this year but also that the Council had asked to be advised of projected running costs so we would be grateful if these could</i></li> </ol>

*be taken into account in the future.*

2. *In securing Insurance to cover Public Liability Insurance from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016, our Insurers have set a condition that any existing damage to Play equipment as listed in previous EDC inspections should be repaired to make the policy valid. We have made our own inspection of the faults listed by EDC and the 'frayed' areas on the 'Pick-up Sticks' are revealing bare wire. In consulting Wicksteed's for advice – please see their response below. Obviously as the Parish Council is handing over this piece of equipment with this fault, we would welcome the Parish Council meeting the costs of replacing the 'Spider Net' and any associated costs for removing/ re-installing and cordoning off the area whilst the item is replaced.*

*We would be grateful for the Parish Council's response as soon as possible as we are concerned about the impact of the above on the validity of our Insurance Policy, please."*

The Council discussed the issues raised by the letter from Jill Eastham, Chair of the Lazonby & District Swimming Pool. All costs of maintaining the Community Playground were given to the Swimming Pool Committee prior to them making a decision to take it over. Any further repairs not agreed to after the 1<sup>st</sup> January would not be the responsibility of the Parish Council. Furthermore, the November 2016 Inspection Report by Eden District Council stated that they will monitor the fraying wire on the 'Pick Up Sticks' equipment suggesting that there was no need for it to be repaired whilst it was the responsibility of the Parish Council.

Regarding Public Liability Insurance on the Community Playground, Eden District Council covered the Community Playground on their own Public Liability Insurance. This was all part of the annual Maintenance costs (approx. £185) that the Parish Council paid to Eden District Council as part of the Management Agreement they had with them. The cost of adding the Community Playground to the Parish Council's existing Public Liability Insurance was prohibitive and that was the main reason for having the Agreement with Eden District Council to manage the Playground. The Agreement also covered the Weekly Safety Inspections, the Engineers Annual Inspection and any minor maintenance work required to maintain the equipment in a safe condition.

Also the decision on how much grant to give the Swimming Pool Committee towards the upkeep of the Community Playground has been decided already for this financial year but it will be reviewed again in the next grant round in November/December 2016. However, in order to review the grant needed the Parish Council will need a report from the Swimming Pool Committee regarding the Community Playground by the end of October 2016. The Parish Council also discussed inviting a couple of Members of the Swimming Pool Committee to meet with a couple of Members of the Parish Council to discuss how to take this forward for financial year 2017 - 2018.

**RESOLVED** that the Clerk inform the Swimming Pool Committee that the Parish Council are no longer responsible for any of the playground equipment since 1<sup>st</sup> January 2016 as agreed in writing by all parties concerned; therefore, the Parish Council has no responsibility for any further repairs.

**ALSO RESOLVED** that the Clerk suggest to the Swimming Pool Committee that they approach Eden District Council and ask if they could have a similar arrangement with them regarding the annual maintenance contract.

**ALSO RESOLVED** that the Clerk bring the Eden Community Fund, which will give a maximum of £10,000 in grant funding, to the attention of the Swimming Pool Committee.

16/65	<b>Financial Report by the Treasurer.</b>	<p>The Council received a report from the Treasurer (please see attached Treasurer's Report).</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that the Council agreed to David Stevens undertaking the internal audit for the cost of £70.</p> <p><b>ALSO RESOLVED</b> that the Treasurer will separate the grant money given for the Neighbourhood Plan from the Council's accounts.</p> <p><b>ALSO RESOLVED</b> that the Treasurer be thanked for his report, the contents of which were approved, accepted and noted.</p>
16/66	<b>Authority for Payments.</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> that it be noted that there were no authority for payments sought.
16/67	<b>Planning Applications – New (or Appeal).</b>	<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"> <li>1. <b>Planning application No: 16/0174</b> - (Outline Application) Outline planning application for a detached dwelling and garage, at Ingle Neuk, Lazonby CA10 1AJ.</li> <li>2. <b>Planning application No: 16/0196</b> – (Listed Building) Listed building consent for reconfiguration of the outdoor store area to create a new boiler house and associated works, at Lazonby C of E School, Lazonby, Penrith CA10 1BL.</li> <li>3. <b>Planning application No: 16/0255</b> - (Full Application) proposed side extension to provide disabled toilets, at Lazonby Swimming Pool, Lazonby CA101BL.</li> </ol> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that the Council had the following <b>OBSERVATIONS</b> and <b>COMMENTS</b> to make regarding planning application No: 16/0174 - (Outline Application) Outline planning application for a detached dwelling and garage, at Ingle Neuk, Lazonby CA10 1AJ.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The original planning application showed an entrance/exit running along the side of the property known as Leigh Croft, onto the road to Carlisle, at the rear of the property which the Parish Council would prefer remained as part of the planning permission, instead of the new entrance/exit to the property at the front, opposite Townhead Barn, onto the B6413 – the main high street through the village.</li> </ol> <p><b>ALSO RESOLVED</b> that the Council has <b>NO COMMENTS</b> to make regarding planning application No: 16/0196 – (Listed Building) Listed building consent for reconfiguration of the outdoor store area to create a new boiler house and associated works, at Lazonby C of E School, Lazonby, Penrith CA10 1BL.</p> <p><b>ALSO RESOLVED</b> that the Council has <b>NO COMMENTS</b> to make regarding planning application No: 16/0255 - (Full Application) proposed side extension to provide disabled toilets, at Lazonby Swimming Pool, Lazonby CA101BL.</p>
16/68	<b>Planning Applications – Decisions.</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> that it be noted that there were no Planning Application Decisions received.
16/69	<b>Police up-date.</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> that it be noted that the Council received the following information about the Police & Crime Commissioner Elections for the Cumbria Police 2016 - England and Wales are to elect new police and crime commissioners. On 5th May 2016, people in England and Wales (except in London and Greater Manchester where the Mayor has responsibility for policing) will take to the polls to elect a new police and crime commissioner (PCCs) for their local police force area. You can find information about the candidates standing for election in your police force area at <a href="#">ChooseMyPCC website</a> . PCCs are elected to hold the police to account for delivering the kind of policing you want to see. Their aim is

		<p>to cut crime and to ensure your police force is effective. They are there to ensure the policing needs of the public are met as effectively as possible and to oversee how crime is tackled by the police. They bring a public voice to policing and do this by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• engaging with the public and victims of crime to help set police and crime plans;</li> <li>• ensuring the police force budget is spent where it matters most; and</li> <li>• appointing, and where necessary dismissing, the chief constable.</li> </ul> <p><b>Represent the entire community:</b> PCCs are required to swear an oath of impartiality when they are elected to office. The oath is designed so that PCCs can set out publicly their commitment to tackling their new role with integrity. It reflects the commitment police officers make to serve every member of the public impartially and makes clear that they are there to serve the people, not a political party or any one section of their electorate. Have your say and make your voice heard. <b>Vote for your police and crime commissioner on 5<sup>th</sup> May.</b> Go to <a href="http://choosemyppcc.org.uk">choosemyppcc.org.uk</a> to find out who's standing in your area. Posters have gone up on the Parish Notice boards.</p>
16/70	Lazonby Fire/Rescue Service.	<b>RESOLVED</b> that it be noted that no written or verbal report was received by Lazonby Fire/rescue Service.
16/71	Housing Development in the Parish.	<b>RESOLVED</b> that there was no further update regarding the Barton Dale signs.
16/72	Traffic and Parking Issues in the Village.	<p>The Council received a report of a full skip which has been on the main high street now for a period of time, and is causing issues with traffic.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that Councillor Chris West will enquire about who is responsible for the skip and ask for its removal.</p>
16/73	LPC Cumbria Highways Link Person Report.	<b>RESOLVED</b> that it be noted that there was nothing further to report on any other issues that have arisen since the last Council meeting concerning Cumbria Highways.
16/74	Future Delivery of Agendas and Paperwork.	<p>The Council received an update about the future delivery of the agenda and paperwork. As discussed at previous meetings of the Parish Council, the Clerk is aiming to send future agendas and associated paperwork by Email instead of hand delivering agendas. However, the issue of replacing the old printer for a new one with better scanning facilities had to be resolved first, which is now done. The Clerk will provide hard copies of the agenda which will be available at the meeting so none of the Councillors have to print them off and bring them. The notice boards will still have the agenda posted up, as will the Parish Council website as normal. The only dilemma the Clerk has at present is that several parishioners who request agendas may not have Email facilities. So the Clerk has asked CALC for advice about this, and there is no obligation to continue to give them a hard copy as the Parish Council put it on the parish notice boards and their website. The Parish Council discussed this further.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that due to several Councillors still wanting delivery of the hard copies of the agenda and relevant paperwork that the Clerk would continue to do this for all Councillors and existing parishioners who have requested copies.</p> <p><b>ALSO RESOLVED</b> that the Clerk would still however send agenda documents and paperwork where possible by Email to save paper.</p>

16/75	Application for Temporary Road Closure.	<p><b>RESOLVED</b> that it be noted that the Parish Council received the following information about an application for temporary road closure.</p> <p><b>Description/location of the works:</b> C3002 Salkeld Road, Penrith from its junction with the U3491 Fairhill Close extending in a predominantly north easterly direction for approximately 300m up to its junction with the U3486 Green Lane.</p> <p><b>Operational date and duration of order:</b> Operating From: 20<sup>th</sup> May 2016 for 4 weeks.</p> <p><b>The Alternative Route is:</b></p> <p><b>South West Bound Traffic</b>  Diversions Via: Unrestricted Section of the C3002, C3018, B6413 To Plumpton, A6 To Penrith and Unrestricted Section of the C3002 Salkeld Road.</p> <p><b>North East Bound Vehicular Traffic:</b>  Travel in the reverse direction of above:</p> <p>A way for pedestrians and dismounted cyclists will be maintained at all times.</p>
16/76	Adoption of New NALC Model of the Financial Regulations.	<p>The Council considered the adoption of the update to the Model Financial Regulations. Following feedback from NALC County Officers and Member Councils, and Legislative changes the Model Financial Regulations (MFRs) have been amended to take account of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. MFR 1.6 has been amended to provide for the possibility of disciplinary action in the event of breach of the Regulations, rather than a definitive statement as to gross misconduct</li> <li>2. MFR 6.4 has been re-written to apply more generally than merely in respect of disclosable interests.</li> </ol> <p>Incorporation of the specific requirements of The Public Contracts Regulations 2015.</p> <p>The Parish Council will also need to ensure that they include any of their own previous amendments to this updated version.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that the Clerk to amend the latest version of the NALC's Model Financial Regulations for the Parish Council and to liaise with the Treasurer to ensure it is adequately amended.</p> <p><b>ALSO RESOLVED</b> that the amended version of the Financial Regulations, based on the latest version of the NALC's Financial Regulations, be brought back to the May 2016 meeting of the Parish Council for approval.</p>
16/77	Printing of the Parish Council Newsletter.	<p>The Council considered the continuation of the colour printing of the Parish Council Newsletter due to increased costs of printing. The Clerk and Treasurer received the first bill from for the photocopiers and printing copies from Midshire, which showed that the colour printing of the Parish Council Newsletter to work out quite expensive versus the black and white version. Therefore, the Clerk would like to ask the Council if they wish to continue the colour printing or return to back and white. The colour does improve the look of the Newsletter but would this justify the cost.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that colour not be used for the Parish Council Newsletters due to the cost but continue to use them for posters, and when needed Council documents and smaller printing runs if necessary.</p>

16/78	<b>Parish Council Website.</b>	<p>The Council received a report about the spam problems that the Parish Council Website has had in recent weeks. Some Councillors and the Clerk have noticed that they have been getting an increased amount of spam which seems to be coming through the Parish Council Website. The Parish Council webmaster has been working hard to correct this. He believes that he has now solved the problem but will monitor it for the next few weeks to make sure</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that it be noted that the issues of spam through the Parish Council website have now been resolved.</p>
16/79	<b>Invitations to Participate.</b>	<p>The Council considered whether Members would like to take part in, attend, or send a representative to the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>A letter regarding the Queens 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Beacons</b> – Mr Norman Thompson has written to Parish Council’s regarding the arrangements for the Queen’s birthday celebrations on 21st April 2016: <p><i>“As you are no doubt aware Her Majesty The Queen will celebrate her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on the 21<sup>st</sup> April 2016 and events are being organised to celebrate her birthday. I have been requested by the Lord-Lieutenant to co-ordinate the Beacons for the county. With this in mind I am asking you to consider organising a beacon in your area or using your contacts with other organisations to encourage them to become involved and arrange beacons. Other organisations will be involved in the celebrations and I am sure that we as members of the Lieutenancy will support events. Full details can be found on the web site, <a href="http://www.brunopeek.co.uk">www.brunopeek.co.uk</a>. I feel sure that many of us will participate as we did for the Queen’s Diamond Jubilee. The beacons will be lit between 7-15 and 8-30pm on 21 April. Registration dates for public events must be received by Bruno Peek by 10 April and for private events by 14 April.”</i></p> </li> <li><b>The County Council’s environment flood recovery group</b> is continuing their work to address the issue of flood sludge / gravel deposits on non-agricultural land. A number of requests for help from members of the public have been sent to a variety of places (including to the Environment Agency). Cumbria County Council is trying to find out exactly where the issues are and what sort of response / support is required. They are currently compiling a list of where these deposits are in order to co-ordinate their response and are keen to make sure they are aware of every problem across the county. To this end, they have asked if parish councils are aware of any flood deposits remaining within their area to let them know so that they can add it to their lists. If the Parish Council are aware of any such issue within the parish, please could they send information on the nature of the problem and the precise location of the problem directly to <a href="mailto:ian.stephenson@cumbria.gov.uk">ian.stephenson@cumbria.gov.uk</a></li> </ol> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that the invitations to participate be noted.</p>
16/80	<b>INFORMATION given for reference only.</b>	<p><b>RESOLVED</b> that it be noted that the following information has been given out for reference only:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>NALC Legal Briefing – March 2016 – Section 137 Expenditure: Limit for 2016/2017.</b></li> </ol>
16/81	<b>Date of the Next Meeting.</b>	<p><b>RESOLVED</b> that it be noted that the date of the next scheduled Meeting be confirmed as Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2016, at 7.00 pm, in Lazonby Village Hall, which will be the Open Parish Meeting; followed by the Annual General meeting of the Parish Council at approximately 7.30pm.</p>