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LAZONBY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes

For a meeting of Lazonby Parish Council which was held via a Zoom Virtual Meeting due to the Coronavirus Covid 19 pandemic, on Wednesday 2nd December 2020 at 7.30 pm.

Present: Chair Councillor Chris West

Councillors Gill Sharples, Gordon Nicolson, John Judson, Tim Wright, Angie Miller, Peter Foley, Phillip Whitehead and Steve Craig.

Also in attendance: County Councillor Hilary Carrick, the Clerk to the Council Rebecca Wyatt, Treasurer to the Parish Council Chris Hoy, Broadband Hub Coordinator Brian Smythe, David Ryall - Community Engagement & Development for B4RN, and two parishioners.

ITEM / MINUTE No.	ITEM	BUSINESS
20/162	Apologies for absence.	RESOLVED that it be noted that there were no apologies given.
20/163	The filling of Council Member Vacancies.	<p>The Council considered nominations to fill the Council Member vacancies by co-option. Parishioner Steve Craig wished to become a member of the Parish Council.</p> <p>RESOLVED that Steve Craig be co-opted onto the Parish Council proposed by Councillor Phillip Whitehead, and seconded by Councillor Tim Wright, with all Councillors present in agreement.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that the Clerk ensure the correct forms are filled out for Councillor Steve Craig and submitted to Eden District Council.</p>
20/164	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.
20/165	Declaration of Interest.	<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>RESOLVED that it be noted that Councillor Gordon Nicolson declared a personal interest in matters concerning Eden District Council.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that Councillor Philip Whitehouse has a prejudicial interest in the Egg Packing Station Housing Development.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that Councillor Steve Craig has a prejudicial interest in Planning Application No. 20/0904 - Reserved Matters application for appearance, landscaping, layout and scale, attached to approval 17/0016, at Land at Scaur Lane, Lazonby, Penrith.</p>

20/166	The Parish Councils Response to Coronavirus Covid19.	<p>The Council received a report about the Parish Council's involvement in helping the local community during the Coronavirus Covid19 pandemic. Parishioners are still asking for help and people are keeping in touch through 'What's app'.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the report on the Parish Councils Response to Coronavirus Covid19 be noted with thanks to Councillor Chris West and the volunteers looking after parishioners in need during the corona virus pandemic.</p>
20/167	Matters of Urgency.	<p>The Council received the following matters which arrived too late to be otherwise placed on the agenda so were introduced in this part of the agenda. These are as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Planning Application No: 20/0904 - Reserved Matters application for appearance, landscaping, layout and scale, attached to approval 17/0016, at Land at Scour Lane, Lazonby, Penrith. <p>RESOLVED that Planning Application No: 20/0904 - Reserved Matters application for appearance, landscaping, layout and scale, attached to approval 17/0016, at Land at Scour Lane, Lazonby, Penrith be considered further at agenda item 18, which is item 20/179 Planning Applications – New (or Appeal) of these Minutes.</p>
20/168	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. The Parish Council also discussed issues that parishioners had been in contact about.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A parishioner has concerns about the number of houses proposed for the new housing development on Scour Lane because originally it was 50 houses but now it is indicating that over 59 houses are to be built, with the extra houses situated at the bottom part of the field. 2. Fly-tipping has been reported in the Parish with an old freezer and catering size cooking oil bottles being dumped at the Eden Bridge car park recycling centre. 3. Parishioners have raised concerns with the reduction in educational resources at the village school. It would mean a reduction in Teaching Assistants which could impact on special needs. This is down to the lack of funding. 4. A parishioner has again expressed concerns about the proposed planning application for the house at Bank Top and that they wanted the Parish Council to raise concerns about it. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. RESOLVED that the concerns about the new housing development on Scour Lane now indicating that over 59 houses will be built be noted by the Parish Council. 2. RESOLVED that it be noted that the fly-tipping has been reported to Eden District Council and now removed. 3. RESOLVED that it be noted that this is not the Parish Councils jurisdiction however Councillor Hilary Carrick in her role as a School Governor will raise these concerns with the Governing Body. 4. RESOLVED that the Parish Council note the concerns about the proposed planning application for the house at Bank Top.

		<p>ALSO RESOLVED that the Clerk will inform the Parishioner that the Parish Council cannot give objections or comments on Planning Applications until they are officially given to them for consideration by Eden District Council Planning Department.</p>
20/169	Report from the local Community Police.	<p>The Council received a report from the local Community Police for October 2020 that was not received before the previous meeting of the Parish Council in November 2020.</p> <p>There has been a fair amount of suspicious behaviour from cold callers and suspicious people who look like workmen in the Parish recently and the theft of a child's bicycle.</p> <p>The Council also received the October and November local Police Newsletters for the Penrith area.</p> <p>The Council also received the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner & Cumbria Police Public Consultation Survey 2020. The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner and Cumbria Constabulary has launched their joint annual public consultation survey. This survey covers areas around police visibility, how confident people are in Cumbria Constabulary, and how they feel the Constabulary are handling the Coronavirus pandemic. It also gives you the chance to tell them what's happening in your area that concerns you, and rank various policing priorities. The survey will not ask for any personal information which would enable you to be identified and therefore your response will be completely anonymous. They want to reach as many people as possible, and to help them do this they would be grateful if people could encourage others to complete this survey online via https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/MROW5H/ The consultation runs for four weeks.</p> <p>RESOLVED that it be noted that Councillor Gill Sharples has been in contact with the local Police to report some of the recent suspicious activity in the village and express concerns about it.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner & Cumbria Police Public Consultation Survey 2020 be noted.</p>
20/170	Parish Broadband Issues.	<p>The Council considered the broadband issues in the parish and a request by a parishioner for an improved service. A parishioner and a representative from B4RN attended the meeting to give a small presentation about another alternative to a broadband connection. This is because in some areas of the parish the broadband connection is unreliable and very poor. B4RN are a not for profit organisation. Instead, they negotiate with farmers and landowners to ask permission to lay optic fibre across fields rather than down public roads as it is cheaper and therefore more cost-effective for recipients. The cost to install optic fibre across the land is £22 per metre compared to £100 per metre down roads. Melmerby and Langwathby are already outlets for this, and other parishes in the local area want to also get connected through B4RN. The cost of the fibre optics to domestic houses is £30 a month and would be given to the Church and the school for free. Users experience of B4RN Broadband have been positive with good coverage and good speeds and it does not cost any more to switch to B4RN. The organisation of the installation does not need to be carried out by the Parish Council but representatives from the Parish Council can be involved as part of the group of people looking to put fibre optic in place, and the Parish Councils support would be appreciated.</p>

		<p>There are two approaches to the capital cost of installing fibre optic:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local investment as a community shareholder which would, in turn, earn a 5% return. • The Government supplies grants in the form of a £1500 voucher for domestic users and £3000 voucher for commercial business, which are applied for by the supplier. <p>There is also the Border funding scheme but this finishes in March 2021. To be viable it will need a 50% uptake of the service and also depends on the ratio of houses to businesses. The service will also need to have a cabinet larger than the BT cabinets in the village with access and an electricity supply, preferably on Parish Council land or on land with a long contract for use.</p> <p>Broadband Hub Coordinator Brian Smythe has looked at the services provided by B4RN, Openreach and the Lonsdale Mast. Openreach does not appear to be interested in rural areas but instead more commercially viable areas. There are areas in the parish that lack adequate broadband such as the Lazonby Hall area and the Low plains area but all parts of the parish could benefit from B4RN's fibre-optic broadband.</p> <p>RESOLVED that Councillors Chris West, Steve Craig and Angie Miller have an informal meeting with the parishioner who has suggested the optic fibre connection to discuss this further.</p>
20/171	<p>Minutes of the Council Meeting on the 4th November 2020.</p>	<p>It was recommended that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on the 4th November now be officially approved and signed as a true record of those proceedings via this virtual meeting.</p> <p>RESOLVED that it be noted that the typing error of the word 'November' is replaced by the word 'December' on Minute 20/155, - Tree Surgery Needed at Old School and Will Pool, of the 4th November 2020 Minutes of the Parish Council.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that that subject to the above amendments that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on the 4th November 2020 be approved and signed as a true record of those proceedings via this virtual meeting.</p>
20/172	<p>Progress Reports on Recent Actions.</p> <p>a. Transfer of Assets and Services to the Parish (Last minute no. 20/143).</p>	<p>The Council received progress reports regarding matters from the Minutes of the 4th November 2020.</p> <p>The Parish Council received an update on the Transfer of Assets and Services to the Parish. Electricity North West has indicated that they would meet the cost of installing LED lighting heads on lights owned by the Parish Council. Councillor Gordon Nicolson has followed this up with Eden District Council and Electricity North West. The outcome is that the Parish Council can get a grant to upgrade the "unapproved" lights that they have previously agreed to adopt. The Parish Council have already made provision in the budget for this work. However, Electricity North West cannot approve the grant until the Parish Council own the lights in question so Eden District Council have agreed to make the transfer. The lights in question are situated at the Old Egg Packing Station, outside Orchard House, at the rear of Sunny Croft, outside 11 Barton Dale and outside 21 Barton Dale. It is not possible to have lights under these arrangements that were located on telegraph or electricity poles or are located on private land.</p> <p>Eden District Council have outlined the terms of the transfer as:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Parish Councils can acquire the Eden District Council columns and

		<p>sodium light heads at no cost.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. There will be no transfer of funding available from Eden District Council. 3. Parish Councils will require a basic Eden District Council Legal Agreement for the transfer of the Not Approved Footway Lights. Once signed by both parties they will be the responsibility of the Parish. 4. Existing arrangements with regard to electricity and basic maintenance recharges can continue, at least until 31st March 2022. 5. The Parish Council will need to organise the Electricity North West Funding for Reduced Carbon and the required works to upgrade the lights to LED's. <p>This means that the Parish Council can have the lights on the same terms as the first group transferred from Eden District Council but they will have to make arrangements for the upgrading of the lighting heads. This work must be done by an approved contractor. Approved contractors who operate in Eden are Amey Ltd and Aptus Ltd. Councillor Gordon Nicolson is waiting for the quotes for the work and then the grant can be applied for.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the Parish Council agreed to give Councillor Gordon Nicolson delegated authority to pursue the grant from Electricity North West to enable the upgrading work of installing new LED lighting heads on the unapproved lights.</p>
	<p>b. Ownership of Land. (Last minute no. 20/143).</p>	<p>RESOLVED that it be noted that Solicitors Cartmell Shepherd is still dealing with the registry of the land near the Old School and Rock House.</p>
	<p>c. Broken Wooden Post Near the Church (Last minute no. 20/143).</p>	<p>RESOLVED that it be noted that the broken wooden post at the end of the Parish Council land opposite the Church will be completely replaced by January 2021 by Cumbria County Council.</p>
	<p>d. Upkeep of public footpath between Story Homes & B6413 (Last minute no. 20/143).</p>	<p>The Council received an update regarding the responsibility for the upkeep of a public right of way which was overgrown with Himalayan Balsam; the path follows the course of Harrow Beck from Scaur Lane proceeding upstream to a path junction where one turns left to the Story Homes development and the other right towards the main road B6413. Councillors Chris West and Hilary Carrick walked the path abiding by Covid19 restrictions to investigate further. It will only be the vegetation on the path that is cut but any vegetation hanging over is the responsibility of the landowner but as that is not known then the Parish Council will try to keep it tidy. It is now on the Cumbria County Council maintenance list.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the report about the Upkeep of public footpath between Story Homes & B6413 be noted with thanks to Councillors Hilary Carrick and Chris West.</p>
	<p>e. The Boundary fence on the Parish playing/sports field (Lasted Minute no. 20/143).</p>	<p>The Council received an update on the boundary fence that separates a horse field from the Parish playing/sports field which has been reported to be in need of repair.</p> <p>RESOLVED that it was agreed that Councillor John Judson appoints the contractor Andrew Jackson to do the work on replacing the fencing as they were a reasonable quote of £1560 including VAT and were the only contractor to give a quote.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that the owners of the horses are informed about the</p>

	fencing being replaced.
f. The white line at the bottom of Seat Hill (Lasted Minute no. 20/143).	RESOLVED that the repainting of the white lines across the road at the bottom of Seat Hill onto the road to Bells Bakery and the railway station are still to be done.
g. The use of what3words (Last minute no. 20/143).	The Council received an update on the Parish Council's use of the app what3words. Councillor Steve Craig has given the Clerk information on the what3words emergency locations in the parish.
	RESOLVED that Councillor Steve Craig be thanked for his work on the What3words information. ALSO RESOLVED that the Clerk and webmaster will now work to put the information on the website.
h. Footway light at Thorn Tree. (Last minute no. 20/140).	The Council received an update on the Light at Thorn Tree which has been reported to not be working and is believed to have never worked. The Clerk has contacted Eden District Council several times about the Light at Thorn Tree and has not heard anything back as yet.
	RESOLVED that Councillor Gordon Nicolson will contact Amanda Ward at Eden District Council to find out about what the Light at Thorn Tree is not working.
i. Maintenance work at Eden Bridge Car Park (Last minute no. 20/140).	The Council received an update about the fencing and fence posts needing to be repaired and vegetation needing to be cut back at Eden Bridge Car park. Some of the fence and fence posts need repairing, and the vegetation needs cut back as it is hanging over the fence and causing a problem on the perimeter of the Eden Bridge Car Park. It was resolved at the November 2020 meeting that Councillors John Judson and Chris West would contact the volunteer parishioner who has worked down there in the past and between them, they would decide what needed to be done and then carry the work out.
	RESOLVED that Councillors John Judson, Chris West, and Steve Craig, with help from a volunteer parishioner, will meet on Sunday 13 th December at Eden Bridge car park, at 10 am, to mend and put in new posts and rails. ALSO RESOLVED that Councillor Phillip Whitehouse will cut the overhanging branches on the perimeter of Eden Bridge car park.
j. MP Query regarding lights on Fiddlers Lane (Last minute no. 20/129).	The Council received a letter from the Manager of Eden Court (Anchor Hanover) regarding their response to the letter the Parish Council sent to Dr Hudson MP regarding the footway lights in Fiddler's Lane.
	RESOLVED that the letter from the Manager of Eden Court (Anchor Hanover) regarding their response to the letter the Parish Council sent to Dr Hudson MP regarding the footway lights in Fiddler's Lane be noted.
k. Code of Conduct Training. (Last minute no. 20/159).	The Council received an update about Code of Conduct Training. The Clerk, Councillor Chris West and Councillor Gill Sharples attended the CALC Code of Conduct virtual training to learn about a new version of the Code of Conduct that should be available for adoption by Parish Councils by the end of 2020. Since the last version was adopted in 2012 social media has become more prevalent so it now covers issues that arise from that, as well as updating issues such as bullying and disrespect, declaring interests, the purpose of the code etc. Fortunately, Cumbria's current version of the Code of Conduct already covers more than other Counties Codes of Conduct, and already covers some of the issues that have been

		<p>highlighted in the new version. The Parish Council does not have to adopt the new Code of Conduct but it is supported by the National Association of Local Councils (NALC) and the Society of Local Council Clerks (SLCC) and therefore is recommended.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the report about the Code of Conduct training be noted.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that the Clerk send the presentation to all member of the Parish Council for reference.</p>
20/173	<p>Report from District Councillor Gordon Nicolson.</p>	<p>The Council received a report from District Councillor Gordon Nicolson about Eden District Council matters affecting the Parish.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. With the new Tier 2 phase now in place for Cumbria, Eden District Council have given a media release reminding licensed premises to follow new Coronavirus rules or face getting a fine. Environmental Health Officers are responsible for the enforcement of this. Two premises have been fined £1000 for not abiding by the rules for selling food during the Coronavirus pandemic. 2. The Local Government reorganisation is still under consideration with the date for the expression of interest now passed and the final bids due on 9th December 2020. Eden District Council supports the proposal for two unitary authorities – one for Eden, Carlisle and Allerdale, and the second for Copeland, Barrow and South Lakeland. It will then be the Governments decision on how to proceed. <p>RESOLVED that District Councillor Gordon Nicolson be thanked for his report, the contents of which were noted.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that it be noted that District Councillor Gordon Nicolson reserved the right to request to speak on other issues on the agenda.</p>
20/174	<p>Report from County Councillor Hilary Carrick.</p>	<p>The Council received a report from County Councillor Hilary Carrick about County Council related matters affecting the Parish.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Cumbria County Council would like to see one Unitary Council for the whole County but not as a County Council takeover but a new entity. The final date for submission is 9th December then it will be considered by Government Ministers. This is the biggest single issue for Local Government at the moment apart from the Covid pandemic. 2. Councillor Hilary Carrick has taken photos of the fly-tipping at the Cumbria Highways Depot at their site at the top of the village and has now notified County Council. 3. The dints in the surface of Fiddlers Lane have been reported to Cumbria Highways. The subsidence has become more apparent and photos have been taken and sent to Cumbria Highways. 4. Cumbria County Council has given a grant to Lazonby Village Hall Committee for the renovation of the kitchen area. <p>RESOLVED that County Councillor Hilary Carrick be thanked for her report, the contents of which were noted.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that it be noted that County Councillor Hilary Carrick reserved the right to request to speak on other issues on the agenda.</p>

20/175	Lazonby Parish Projects:	
	a. Proposed Development of Lazonby Egg Packing Station.	<p>Councillor Gordon Nicolson gave the Members an update on progress with the proposed development of the former Egg Packing Station for affordable housing. The Steering Group meet in two weeks to consider the Viability Statement. The former Egg Packing Station is proving to be a very challenging site, for example, there is a flood risk at the back adjacent to the beck and it is in the River Eden flood plains. The access options would either be a wayleave to use the road which is believed to be owned by Scot Mid or access straight off the main road. Both these issues could affect the number of houses that can be built on the site. Also because of the Scaur Land housing estate planning application, the issue of the need for affordable houses may be affected because they will have provision for them. The issue of the provision of the drains could also affect the number of houses built. They are working with Eden District Council and the Planners. The valuation of the site will take place next. A meeting with the vendors to give them an update is to be organised for the near future. The market value of the site, houses and ground rent (lease to Eden Housing) are needed to see if it is viable. Advice has been given by Eden Housing. The houses will be under a local lettings policy. A number of valuers have been asked to give a valuation of the site. These were competitive quotes and SWH Surveys was chosen to carry out the valuation.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the report about the proposed development of Lazonby Egg Packing station be noted with thanks to Councillors Gordon Nicolson, Peter Foley and Chris West.</p>
	b. Traffic Issues Consultation.	RESOLVED that there was nothing more to report regarding traffic Issues in the parish.
	c. Footpath between Eden Bridge and Lazonby Swimming Pool.	<p>RESOLVED that it be noted that a design and costs for the Footpath between Eden Bridge and Lazonby Swimming Pool are still being worked on by Cumbria County Council.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that the Parish Council will suggest to the company submitting a planning application for a new housing estate in the parish that they contribute financially to the footpath project.</p>
	d. Planting Trees in the Parish.	RESOLVED that it be noted that Councillor Phillip Whitehead is still waiting to hear from the school about planting the trees at the Parish sports/playing field but it is hoped that this will be on 8 th December abiding by the Covid19 guidelines.
20/176	Financial Report by the Treasurer.	<p>The Council received a report from the Treasurer for November 2020 (please see attached Treasurer's Report).</p> <p>RESOLVED that the Treasurer be thanked for his report, the contents of which were approved, accepted and noted.</p>
20/177	Register of Assets.	The Council received an update on the Parish Council's Assets Register. The Register of Assets has been under review and needs to be completed as soon as possible to ensure that the Parish Council's Website is compliant with the Transparency Code. CALC has recently advised the Parish Council to get this in place soon as possible as they may be fined if it is not in the public domain. Most of the assets have been estimated after a survey the Treasurer undertook 7 years ago and subsequently reported to the external auditors. Any recent acquisitions have been valued at cost price and updated accordingly onto the annual external audit return. A revaluation in 2014 of land and property was provided by

		<p>PFK and those figures have been updated in the register. It must be noted that the external auditors have no interest in any revaluation figures; they only require notification of any additional assets purchased or acquired, for example, the War Memorial (Valued at £1). Further assets will need to be included in the future and perhaps the largest will be the Footway Lights which the Treasurer intends to add once the unapproved lights have been finally transferred into the Parishes care. Due to the urgency of putting it in the public domain, the Parish Council has been working on it via email before the December 2020 meeting.</p> <p>It was also recommended that the Members of the Parish Council officially approve the Register of Assets.</p> <p>It was also recommended that the Members be asked to confirm that an E Mail exchange took place to work towards approving the Parish Council's Register of Assets before the December 2020 Meeting, due to the urgent need to complete the register for the public domain to ensure that the Parish Council's website is compliant with the Transparency Code.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the Council formally agreed that the Register of Assets can now be put on the Parish Council website by the Clerk.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that it be noted that Members of the Parish Council confirmed that an E Mail exchange took place to work towards approving the Parish Council's Register of Assets before the December 2020 Meeting, due to the urgent need to complete the register for the public domain to ensure that the Parish Council's website was compliant with the Transparency Code.</p>
20/178	Authority for Payments.	<p>RESOLVED that the Council considered requests for payment received by the Treasurer, Clerk or Council Members, and agreed to pay the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The sum of £60 be paid to CALC for the Code of Conduct Course for the Clerk Rebecca Wyatt, Councillor Chris West and Councillor Gill Sharples. 2. The sum of £142.90 to the Clerks to the Parish Council for Expenses for October to November 2020.
20/179	Planning Applications – New (or Appeal).	<p>The Council considered new applications which have been issued for consultation by Eden District Council.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Planning Application No. 20/0828 – Retrospective erection of shed and canopy structure, at Land N of 8 Seat Hill, Lazonby 2. Planning Application No. 20/0847 - Two storey extension to the existing dwelling house, at 2 Tallows Whins, Lazonby 3. Planning Application No: 20/0904 - Reserved Matters application for appearance, landscaping, layout and scale, attached to approval 17/0016, at Land at Scaur Lane, Lazonby, Penrith. <hr/> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. RESOLVED that the Council have NO OBJECTIONS to make regarding Planning Application No. 20/0828 – Retrospective erection of shed and canopy structure, at Land N of 8 Seat Hill, Lazonby. 2. RESOLVED that the Council have NO OBJECTIONS to make regarding Planning Application No. 20/0847 - Two storey extension to the existing dwelling house, at 2 Tallows Whins, Lazonby 3. RESOLVED that the Council will put consultation notices up in the

		<p>Parish regarding Planning Application No: 20/0904 - Reserved Matters application for appearance, landscaping, layout and scale, attached to approval 17/0016, at Land at Scaur Lane, Lazonby, Penrith so that parishioners can make representation to the Parish Council who will consider any comments when giving a response to Eden District Council Planning Department.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that it be noted that the Parish Council discussed making the following comments on their response to Eden District Council Planning Department.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Parish Council would like confirmation on the number of houses that are proposed for the site especially as the original outline planning application stated there were 50 houses, and it now appears to be as many as 59 plus. 2. The Parish Council would like to point out the number of houses proposed by this planning application exceeds the number of houses that the Neighbourhood Plan has indicated for this site, which the Parish Council believe needs to be reviewed or justification given for this increase. 3. The Parish Council would like to point out that the Neighbourhood plan encourages building companies proposing housing estates in the parish to make a substantial financial contribution to parish projects. The Parish Council have a current project which needs funding which is the installation of a much-needed footpath between Eden Bridge and Lazonby swimming pool which would hugely benefit from a financial contribution. 4. The Parish Council would like to point out that the Neighbourhood Plan also states sandstone must be used in the building of houses so that it is in keeping with the majority of houses in the village. Therefore all the proposed houses facing Scaur Lane and any boundary wall need to be made of sandstone so that it is in keeping with the rest of the village; and that the existing boundary wall does not exceed a height of 3 feet. 5. The Parish Council would like to see electric car charging points made available on the proposed site. 6. The Parish Council ask that appropriate highway lighting is provided in the part of the development that fronts Scaur Lane. 7. Finally, due to the above issues the Parish Council request that this planning application goes to the Planning Committee.
20/180	<p>Planning Applications – Decisions.</p>	<p>RESOLVED that it be noted that the following Planning Application Decisions were received:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Planning Application No. 20/0479 – Listed Building Consent for repairs to external and internal walls and removal of redundant oil tanks at Lazonby C of E School, Lazonby - GRANTED. 2. Planning Application No. 20/0680 – Retrospective application for the change of use of land to Sui Generis Use (storage of timber, tools, and machinery, agricultural items), the formation of new track, and parking area and associated engineering works; erection of general purpose building; and temporary placement of shipping

		container for tools/machinery for three years, at Land West of Clear View, Lazonby - GRANTED .
20/181	LPC Cumbria Highways Link Person Report.	RESOLVED 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.
<p>At this point in the meeting, the Chair addressed the Parish Council present to ask if they wished to carry on business beyond the two-hour time limit for Parish Council meetings.</p> <p>It was RESOLVED to continue to complete all business on the agenda.</p>		
20/182	Tree Surgery Needed in the Parish.	<p>The Council received and considered the quotes for tree surgery needed on several trees in the Parish. The Clerk was asked by the Parish Council to get quotes for different options regarding the pruning or even felling of certain trees in the parish. The Clerk with some help from Councillor Chris West approached six professional tree surgeons companies of which four replied. The Clerk gave the quotes/estimates to the Parish Councillors so that they could look at it before the December 2020 Meeting. Several observations and questions were raised by the tree surgeons during this process. The Parish Council discussed the quotes and the options and costs they gave for work on the Copper Beech tree at the Old School, the Oak tree at Will Pool and the Maple trees behind the parish notice boards near the Church. However, the Parish Council also discussed the ownership of the land with the Maple trees behind the parish notice boards near the Church because they were not sure who actually owned it, so this needs to be looked into before any tree maintenance work can be carried out on the Maples. The condition of the Oak Tree at Will Pool was also discussed due to being told it has signs of fungal growth at the base.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the Council agree to Nicol Landscapes Ltd carrying out the maintenance work on the trees as follows:</p> <p>Option 1 – depending on the ownership of the land and investigation on its ownership first.</p> <p>The two Norway Maples located opposite the church, behind the village notice board will be pruned to give clearance to the overhead wires and to raise the crown giving the statutory clearance of 5.1 metres over the highway. A crown reduction below the wires is not recommended as appropriate lateral branching is not available, this type of heavy pruning/topping would be identified as bad arboricultural practice. The cost to do this will be £180.00 (excluding VAT)</p> <p>Option 3</p> <p>The mature Copper Beech tree near the Old School is to have a crown reduce by a maximum of 30% and prune to give clearance to wires, buildings and the highway. And the removal of dead, dying or diseased branching. The cost to do this will be £720.00 (excluding VAT)</p> <p>Option 5</p> <p>The mature Oak located at Will Pool is to be pruned to remove dead, dying or dangerous branching and trim back to provide statutory clearance over the public highway and any wires. A crown reduction is not required or recommended for the trees health and longevity. The cost to do this will be £270.00 (excluding VAT)</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that it be noted that all work carried out by Nicol Landscapes Ltd will have a climbing arborist and rescue climber, as required by HSE, and appropriate ground staff. All work is fully insured</p>

		<p>and carried out by experienced and trained staff. All work is undertaken in accordance with BS3998: Recommendations for Tree Work. Appropriate traffic/pedestrian management will be provided.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that it be noted that a local experienced arborist, has been asked to give their opinion on the condition of the Oak Tree at Will Pool.</p>
20/183	<p>Request for another Fish and Chip Van to visit the village.</p>	<p>The Council considered a request from Humes Catering Services regarding bringing their Fish and Chip Van to the Parish. Humes Catering Services has asked for to start serving fish and chips on a Sunday evening in Lazonby on Scaur lane between Lamb Lea and Scaur Close from 5 pm to 7 pm. The Parish Council gave an initial reaction which was to advise them to speak to Eden District Council's Environmental Health department first. The Parish Council's initial concerns are that Covid19 restrictions including social distancing are adhered too; that the area that has been chosen isn't very suitable and local residents would be affected by extra noise, smell and the traffic which would be generated; and that parish already has a fish and Chip van visit on a Thursday evening who have visited since near the beginning of the first lockdown ensuring that it was done in a Covid19 safe way, as well as a risk assessment being carried out.</p> <p>The owner has replied to say that they did not wish to cause any distress with residents and had thought the majority of people would be able to walk as opposed to drive to that site but they would pitch anywhere that the Council sees fit if allowed. Also, the owner has said that they are already trading under the Covid19 restrictions so is fully aware of them. He also had the pleasure of setting up the guidelines that the fish and chip services have to follow with EHO at the start of lockdown to which he was pleased to find out that the majority was already safety procedures that he was putting into place if lockdown had lifted as early as the government had hoped. He has also taken a safety break from serving on the campsites where people have been from around the country before approaching the Parish Council or returning to any villages that the business is supplying already.</p> <p>RESOLVED that Councillor Chris West ask the owners of the existing Fish and Chip van visiting the Village if they have any objections to any other Chip Vans also selling their produce in the village.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that the Clerk inform the owner from Humes Catering Services that the Parish Council feel they cannot stop them coming to the village with their Fish and Chip Van and using public highway land but there are concerns about patrons using their vehicles still, the possible noise and smell and even the litter, and if they do please can they pick up any litter that comes about from their presence; also to inform them that they do have another site owned by the Parish Council which another Fish and Chip vendor pays the Parish Council to use on a Thursday evening.</p>
20/184	<p>Donation Box on at Eden Bridge Car Park.</p>	<p>The Council considered putting a donation box on the canoe steps at Eden Bridge car park to help towards the upkeep of the area. This was brought up at the November 2020 meeting of the Parish Council when it was reported that a parishioner suggested that a donation box should be put on the canoe steps at Eden Bridge car park to help towards its upkeep.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the Clerk contact Askham Parish Council to ask them about their honesty box and how it works for them before the Parish Council decides on having one at the Canoe Steps at Eden Bridge Car Park.</p>

20/185	Charge Points for electric cars in Cumbria.	<p>The Council considered the grant for putting charge points for electric cars in the parish. Dalston parish has recently had community charge points installed. This was through Charge my Street who are installing around 200 new charge points in the north of England by March 2021, and they are looking for host sites now. It's all part of a government-funded programme to install more charge points in areas where people don't tend to have their own driveway, and in rural areas that commercial charge point providers might not reach. It's a great way to attract more people to your premises while helping your community. Installing a charge point will also be at the heart of the drive towards electric vehicles, reducing pollution in your area and helping to tackle climate change. This project aims to ensure that the cost of installation and operation is as little as possible – in many cases, there will be no cost at all to charge point hosts. The partnership will pay for as much of the capital installation costs as possible, with our total contribution depending on the number of charge points Parish Council's wish to install, and any upgrades to the grid or changes to parking bays required. They would ask Parish Council's to help them to promote their periodic Share Offers. To see more details visit their website www.chargemystreet.co.uk.</p> <p>RESOLVED that Councillor Tim Wright will find out more about the 'Charge my Street' organisation and the possibility of charging points being installed in the parish.</p>
20/186	Invitations to Participate.	<p>The Council considered if Council Members would like to comment, take part in, attend, or send a representative to any invitations to participate.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Strategic Housing and Economic Needs Assessment Consultation - Eden District Council has committed to undertake an early review of its Local Plan. In doing so, it will be commissioning/preparing a number of evidence base documents to inform and assist the preparation of the Local Plan for the period 2020 – 2040. The SHENA is the first such evidence-based document to be prepared and is key in setting out the number (and type) of new dwellings and employment land that will be needed in Eden over the next twenty years to 2040. The document focuses principally on the areas of Eden that do not lie within the National Parks. Consultant Turley Associates, in partnership with Edge Analytics, has assessed many factors using new Government policy and guidance to calculate the district's housing and employment needs. The SHENA can be viewed at www.eden.gov.uk/shena Please take this opportunity to let Eden District Council have the Parish Council's views on the document. Comments can be emailed to loc.plan@eden.gov.uk or posted to Planning Policy Team, Eden District Council, Mansion House, Penrith, Cumbria, CA11 7YG. However, as Eden District Council's Planning staff are currently working remotely due to Covid-19 precautions, it would be helpful if responses could be sent by email, if possible. No personal details will be passed onto the consultants preparing the SHENA. All comments should be received by 11:59 pm on Friday 11 December 2020. It would also be appreciated if you could help to promote this consultation amongst your networks. The SHENA forms part of the evidence base for a number of other strategic documents, besides the Local Plan, including Eden's Housing Strategy 2020-2025, which the Council will be consulting upon shortly. 2. "Are your jeans getting too tight" - EALC event 9th December 2020 at 7 pm on Microsoft Teams - find out how you can help residents in your community to make their lives a little bit better in

		<p>difficult times. Becky from Active Cumbria will be sharing inspiration for being active and top tips for planning to get your community making the most of the winter months in the beautiful Eden Valley. Anne Craddock will be discussing how a local community group in Kirkby Stephen created a local bench walk project, which aims to encourage people to be a little more active and also help to combat loneliness. Jackie Dodd will be on hand to speak about the various Public Health campaigns available, there is something to help everyone and plenty of resources you can learn about and use. Plus Cumbria County Council's Community Development Team will be sharing information about grants available for community projects and how to apply. Please let CALC know if you will be attending this virtual event which will be held on Microsoft teams. Please see the link below to join the meeting.</p>
		<p>RESOLVED that invitations to participate be noted.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that it be noted that Councillor Chris West will attend the "Are your jeans getting too tight" - EALC event on 9th December 2020 at 7 pm on Microsoft Teams.</p>
20/187	INFORMATION gave for reference only.	<p>RESOLVED that it be noted that the following information was given to the Council for reference only.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Action for Health and Mental Health Providers Forum Bulletins. 2. Cumbria Arts & Culture Network: COVID-19 Newsletter. 3. Regular Covid-19 – EDC Daily Member's Briefings. 4. Regular NALC Updates and Bulletins. 5. Cumbria in Bloom November 2020 Update Newsletter. 6. EALC Nature Recovery event presentation from 28th October 2020. 7. Eden Rivers Trust - Autumn 2020.
20/188	Date of the Next Meeting.	<p>RESOLVED that the date of the next scheduled meeting be Wednesday 13th January 2021, which is an extraordinary meeting of the Parish Council, and held virtually via Zoom.</p>

The meeting finished at 9.45 pm.

Please Note:

Amendments to these Minutes have been made in red following approval at the Parish Council Meeting on the 3rd February 2021.