

BROMFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Blencogo Village Hall on Thursday the 22nd of November 2018 at 7.30 p.m.

Councillors Present: M Underwood, I Brough, J Brough, S Holland-Reid, W Miller, R Davison, P Batch & N Sidaway.

Also Present: E Clark (Clerk) & 3 Parishioners.

175/18 Chairman's announcements

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

176/18 Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Jeffries & Cllr Lee.

177/18 Declarations of interest on the agenda

No declarations of interest were received.

178/18 Requests for Dispensations

No requests for dispensations received.

179/18 Minutes

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on the 27th of September 2018 be signed by the Chairman as a true record.

180/18 Adjournment of the meeting

The tenant of the parish land at Crookdake voiced his discontentment in respect of the council's email that the land was looking a little unkept. Having expressed his views directly at the councillor who brought the issue to the council's attention he was advised that the decision to contact him was made by the parish council not an individual councillor.

181/18 Reports

No report received from Cllr Lister.

An email from PCSO Crome apologised for being able to attend the meeting but he forwarded the following report; *the next drop in surgery will be held in West Street Doctors Surgery on 28th November October 1300 – 1500 where I will be available to discuss any issues. There have been two incidents of note reported to the Police for the area parish since the last meeting on the 27th September 2018 to date. On the 1st October a vehicle was found burnt out at a farm in Langrigg, after further enquiries it transpired the vehicle had been stolen off the drive of a property that had been burgled. The crime remains under investigation. On the 5th November a pick-up hitch was stolen from a farm in Langrigg. A crime report was submitted.*

Adrian Cozens from the Village Hall Committee forwarded the following report; *the open meeting had not been well attended, the committee discussed some opinions that were given immediately after the meeting. At this time we are not seeking to extend the current lease of the village hall (7 years remaining). The bonfire night was cancelled as the Insurance requirements could not be complied with. The young children's swing seats are to be replaced (cost>£700!!), various grants have been applied for. The produce show went really well with entries significantly up on last year.*

182/18 Payment & Receipts

Payments of the following accounts were considered & authorised:

Clerk's salary and expenses (salary 164.82 expenses 8.42)	£ 173.24
HM Revenue & Customs (PAYE)	£ 41.20

The following receipts received were noted;

Allerdale Borough Council (Precept 2975.45 & CTRS Grant 24.55)	£3000.00
Rent for Parish Land at Crookdake	£ 1.00

183/18 Financial Statements

- The current balance of the council's bank account as at the 31st of October 2018 was approved & accepted.
- The Bank Reconciliation as at the 31st of October was approved & accepted.

184/18 Planning Matters

The following planning applications were noted with no objection;

Ref No: 2/2018/0520 – Replacement dwelling type – Field No. 3800, Blencogo – Mr J J Lattimer.

Ref No: HRN/2018/0004 – Hedgerow removal notice for removal of hedge between two fields – W & A E Elliot, Langrigg Bank Farm, Langrigg

The council made the following comments to application Ref No: 2/2018/0097 – change of use of farm building to biomass CHP unit with associated chimneys (retrospective) – Amended on Site Processes - E Gate, Langrigg Hall - The modified chimney has done nothing to alleviate the low lying smoke. The air quality has been measured using a desk top approach & is not based on their own onsite operational testing. The noise readings show the current noise levels to be 9db & therefore cause an adverse impact. The actual amount of log deliveries to the site exceeds the amount stated in the application.

The following grant of planning permission was noted;

Ref No: 2/2018/0438 – Substitution house type on plot 7 – Field No 3800, Blencogo – Mr J J Lattimer.

185/18 Correspondence

The following correspondences received were noted;

CALC – October Circular

CALC – Annual Report

Clerks & Councils Direct – November Issue

Cumbria County Council – Working Together Programme

186/18 Highway Matters

The following highway issues were noted; the grit bin in Bromfield still needs to be replenished, the road opposite the vicarage in Langrigg requires repairing and the Blencogo to Waverton road is full of pot holes.

187/18 Blencogo Traffic Speeds

An email from Cumbria County Council Highways Department advised that they proposed to extend the existing 30mph speed limit beyond the new housing development being constructed to the west of the village - the parish council had no objection to this proposal. In respect of speeding vehicles in Blencogo,

highways advised that they were not convinced that there was a speeding issue and there were only light levels of traffic but they would ask the police to consider carrying out their own speed assessment.

188/18 Precept

The parish council's budget for 2019/20 was considered and approved. It was agreed that the precept for the year 1 April 2019 – 31 March 2020 be set at £6000.00. It was noted that the CTRS grant had now been phased out.

189/18 Fly-Tipping

An email from Allerdale's street scene officer reported that he had come across some more fly tipped tyres, rather more than last time, around 25. He advised that he would arrange for them to be removed, worryingly he thought that this practice was getting regular so he would increase the amount of patrols through the roads round Langrigg/Bromfield.

190/18 Rent Review

The rent on the parish land at Crookdake was reviewed and it was agreed that it be increased from £1 to £2.

191/18 Defibrillator

Dr Taylor emailed to advise that the new defibrillator would be available to everyone and it was hoped that there would be training held in the spring. Even if the person doesn't know how to use the machine they can get it and take it to the ill person which will save time. It was hoped that it would be positioned on Harry Douglas's wall outside the house, with easy access to all, but this would need to be confirmed.

192/18 Items of inclusion on the next agenda

Replacement Orchard Trees

Date and time of next meeting

It was noted that the next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Thursday the 31st of January 2019 starting at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending & closed the meeting at 8.25pm.