

**SEBERGHAM & WELTON PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 26 SEPTEMBER 2007**

**PRESENT**

Mr J S Hollins-Gibson  
Mr M Stockdale  
Mr A Bell  
Mr P D Wybergh  
Mr A V Rule  
Mr J M Carruthers  
Mr P J Pearson  
Mr T G Gash  
Ms P L Gauntlett Clerk

**IN ATTENDANCE**

7 members of the public.

**1. APOLOGIES**

Collr D Fairbairn

**2. MINUTES**

The minutes of 31 July require amendment. The comments to be passed to Allerdale about the planning applications should just say that Allerdale planning dept are requested to deal with both the applications for the chicken farm together. The Clerk will confirm this to them in writing.

**3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

**4. AJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

Mr Fallows spoke about the noise nuisance at Roundhill. He thanked the PC for clarifying the position re planning permission for the site. He wished to know whether there had ever been a complaint from the previous residents of his house about the noise. He also asked if they could be notified in advance of the bikes running at Roundhill so that they could go out. The Chairman advised that this was a private matter and should be discussed with Messrs Gash. Mrs Gash replied that they do not always know in advance if bike riding is possible.

The Clerk was asked to write to Allerdale for clarification of the position re The Old Barn in Welton. The only plans that were seen by the PC were for a small extension, the property is now two houses and occupied by two families.

Mrs Fallows asked if the PC minutes could be published in the Cumberland News. It was agreed that the Clerk would send the same piece to the Cumberland News for publication that she sends to both Church newsletters and the Penrith Herald.

**5. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Grassgarth Road

Mr Carruthers had been in touch with highways about the overgrown bushes on Grassgarth Road. Mr Kevin Lumwood from Highways inspected the road and they will be dealing with the matter. The first metre on either side of a road is the responsibility of the County Council or relevant highways department, not the landowner.

Noticeboard

Mr Gash has been in touch with the man who made the noticeboard for Sowerby Row. It cost £30, Mr Gash has two glass panels that he will donate for the doors. The Clerk will price safety film to cover the glass making it shatterproof. Mr Gash was authorised to proceed with this.

Churchtown Parking.

The Clerk had written to Mr Marr who, unfortunately is off work ill. Mr Gibson said he wished to meet Mr Marr before he approaches Peter Little in the garage.

Rosley Road.

The Clerk had received an e mail from Collr Fairbairn. He said that from discussions he had with Councillors in Westward they were not keen on widening the road. This view was shared by Councillors in Welton. Mr Gibson said he had seen a sign in The Mail on Sunday which, shows that a road is not suitable despite what a sat nav says. The Clerk will try and find out how much it will cost to purchase one.

## **6. CORRESPONDENCE**

Allerdale Parish Charter. The Clerk and the Chairman attended the function that formally launched the Charter. The Chairman will read the Charter through before signing.

CALC training events, noted.

Green Party letter, noted.

Change of operator for 961 bus, noted.

CALC September newsletter, noted.

Hospice at Home Anniversary function, noted.

Eden Local Housing Development Plan, noted.

Community mini bus brokerage scheme, noted.

Clerks & Councils direct, noted.

Allerdale Town & Country Planning, statement of community involvement, noted.

Cumbria Police Authority Annual Report, noted.

Cumbria County Council Local Transport Plan, noted

## **7. TRAINING**

The Clerk will e mail all Parish Councillors with training dates once she has received them from CALC. Mr Simpson at CALC is currently off sick.

## **8. MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT 2007**

It was formally resolved to adopt the new Model Code of Conduct Order 2007 including paragraph 12(2). The Code was signed by the Chairman. All Parish Councillors signed new declaration of interests forms.

The Clerk informed the meeting that, for £15 the Parish Council could buy into a composite advert being placed in the Cumberland News by CALC which would satisfy the publication specifications required by the Standards Board. This was agreed.

## **9. WEBSITE**

The Clerk had received some guidance from CALC about charging for advertising on the website. The site must not be run as a profit making business, although a modest charge for advertising to cover costs is allowed. It was agreed that no commercial advertising will be allowed on the site at present.

Adverts will be limited to a list of businesses whose place of business is within the Parish. The Clerk will include a request to local businesses in her next newsletter pieces. The advert will be limited to the name of the business and owner, an address, phone number and e-mail address.

The Clerk and the Chairman will draft a document including a disclaimer for interested parties to sign giving consent to their business details being put on the website.

There is a new headmistress at Welton School. Mr Stockdale will contact her and arrange a date to use the computers for his website training evening.

## **10. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

None.

Applications 694 and 696 for the conservatory at Bell Bridge Farm (a listed building) have been refused by the planning authority. This was noted.

#### **11. PARISH PLAN**

The Clerk was given a list of names. She will contact the people on the list and ask them if they are interested in joining the group.

VAC are running a course on 17 October about Parish Plans. The Clerk will book 4 places on this course. Messrs Gibson and Bell will attend, with the option of one other person if someone expresses an interest. Mr Bell will get in touch with someone from the school to see if they are interested in joining the group.

#### **12 PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS**

The following cheques were authorised and signed by two authorised signatories.

36. CALC share of composite advert re Code of Conduct.	£15.00
37. Welton Village Hall rent August 06 to March 07	£56.00
38. P L Gauntlett, 2 months wages	£202.54
39. P L Gauntlett expenses, including annual use of home.	£64.92

#### **13. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS**

Wednesday 28 November

Wednesday 30 January 2008

Wednesday 26 March

Annual Parish Meeting and AGM to be set for May.

#### **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

Wednesday 28 November 2007. It was agreed that this would be held in the small room as the acoustics are better.

The meeting was formally closed at 9pm.

Mr J S Hollins-Gibson  
Chairman