

Minutes of a meeting of Ireby with Leck Parish Council held at Ireby Green Farm on Monday 2nd August 2021 at 6pm.

Present were Councillors Carol Howard, Andrew Makinson, Carole Scott, John Welbank and Jean White, one member of the public and Parish Clerk Kevin Price. Apologies for absence were accepted from Councillor Kathryn Hyde.

21/24 Public participation: None.

21/25 Requests for Dispensations: None.

21/26 Declarations of Interest:

There were no Declarations of Interest made in respect of any matters on the agenda.

21/27 Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting held on 1st May 2021, having been circulated were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

21/28 Co-option of new Councillor:

Mr Colin Chick was unanimously co-opted to the Council. He then signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and the Chairman welcomed him to the Council.

21/29 Finance:

a. The cash and budget statements were noted and all payments made were approved.

b. *It was resolved to pay the following accounts:*

K M Price	£449.00	Reimbursement for Memorial Garden bench
Kirkby Lonsdale Town Council		
	£5.99	Share of ZOOM licence

c. The report from the Internal Auditor was noted. There were no issues or concerns raised for the Council to consider.

d. The Clerk's Annual Leave Entitlement was reviewed and it was resolved to increase his leave entitlement from 5.6 weeks to 7 weeks each year, as recommended at the time of last year's Pay Award. This will be backdated to 31st March 2020.

21/30 Fraser Hall:

Councillor Makinson gave a full report on the current situation regarding the Fraser Hall. A Trustees meeting had been held on 7th June; there is currently no management committee in place. The hall continues to be well used and is financially sound but a committee of nine people is required. The Trustees are holding their AGM on Monday 20th September at 7pm and the support of the residents will be appreciated. If no committee members can be found, there is a risk that the hall may be lost to the community.

The Council recorded its thanks to Councillor Makinson for the work he does in relation to the hall and for the very full report.

21/31 Correspondence:

- a. Grasscutting in Leck. Three cuts annually was agreed some years ago but since March this year there have been monthly cuts in Leck. A group of residents complained to the LCC and copied the email to the Chairman. The Chairman has emailed the Authority requesting a return to the agreed arrangement, as it has proved a successful compromise between residents on the frequency of cutting; an issue which had split the village in the past. No reply has been received so the Chairman will contact them again.

It was confirmed that the Council is happy for Councillor Makinson to continue to cut the area around the cherry tree and the grass around the YDNPA boundary wall plaque.

- b. A resident had contacted the Chairman regarding garden walls having fallen into Low Lane. It was agreed that this is not Parish Council business and the Clerk will advise this resident to contact Lancashire CC Highways.
- c. The five trees affected by ash dieback at Ireby had been cut down. Comments had been received that the tidying up after this work was not entirely satisfactory. Councillors Chick and Welbank agreed to inspect the area and advise.

21/32 Action Group:

- a. **Ireby Beck Regeneration Project.** It was agreed to purchase a new tree for planting here. Councillor Chick will ask YDNPA if they have a suitable tree available.
- b. **CANS (Councils Against Noise and Speed).** The Chairman reported on the recent meetings of this group, which have been going well and with increasing co-operation from both Police and Parish Councils across the area. The Police and Crime Commissioner for Lancashire is due to address a meeting of LALC and a representative from CANS will submit a question. This is being arranged by LALC and Councillor Scott agreed to check if LALC will be advertising it and inviting this Council's representatives to attend.

- c. **Bench in the Memorial Garden:** The bench is on order and should arrive in a day or so. Councillor Hyde had been in touch with the Shuttleworth Estate Office and indicated that she believed the Council's lease on the garden had expired some years ago. The Council has paid for the recent tarmacing and for the bench and would be happy to renew the lease if required. The Council has been invoiced for the rent each year. The Chairman will speak to Patrick Holmes, the Estate Agent, and ask for clarification.
- d. **Dog waste:** The Chairman had been assured that the new bin requested for dog waste would arrive in due course.

21/33 Date and place of the next meeting:

Monday 8th November 2021 at 6pm - venue to be announced.

(The Chairman thanked Councillor Welbank for hosting the meeting and he indicated that the Council would be welcome to meet here for the next meeting, if required).

The meeting closed at 7.40pm.

Signed:

Dated: