

Minutes of a meeting of Ireby with Leck Parish Council held at the Fraser Hall, Cowan Bridge on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2023 at 6pm.

Present were Councillors Carol Howard (Chairman), Colin Chick, Kathryn Hyde, Andrew Makinson, Carole Scott, John Welbank and Jean White, and Parish Clerk Kevin Price. Apologies for absence were received from County Council Matthew Maxwell-Smith and Lancaster City Councillor Ross Hunter, who had also sent some notes prior to the meeting.

**23/1 Public participation:** None.

**23/2 Requests for Dispensations:** None.

**23/3 Declarations of Interest:**

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

**23/4 Minutes:**

The minutes of the meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2022, having been circulated were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

**23/5 Reports:**

Councillor Hunter's notes had been circulated to everyone and were received with thanks. Councillor Maxwell-Scott had asked that if his help was required in any matter, the Council is free to contact him.

**23/6 Ireby Beck Restoration Project:**

This project has now been successfully completed and thanks were expressed to all who have helped in any way, especially Councillor Chick for leading on it, but also to all the Councillors, to Tarmac, Harrisons and Fawcetts and of course to the Sustainable Development Fund for the funding. The grant is expected to be paid in around mid-February. The Clerk will now complete the VAT claim and submit it to HMRC and will arrange for some publicity to appear on the website, once the grant has been received. Councillor Howard will place acknowledgements and thanks to the SDF and to Tarmac on the notice boards.

**23/7 CANS (Councils Against Noise and Speed):**

Councillor Howard said the next meeting is to be held on 22<sup>nd</sup> February by ZOOM. There had been a complaint from a resident regarding the noise of motorcycles passing through Cowan Bridge. Debate continues about the possibility of using 'average speed cameras' throughout the 'motorcycle' route.

### **23/8 Finance:**

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

Simon Rimmer	£50.00	Quarterly payment for Memorial Garden
Fraser Hall	£22.00	Hire of hall
Colin Chick	£144.62	Bat box, hedgehog house etc – Reimbursement
K M Price	£130.91	Quarterly expenses to 31 <sup>st</sup> December Including use of home office and travel.

b. The cash and budget statements were noted.

c. The Clerk reported that Kirkby Lonsdale Town Council has replaced his computer equipment, at a total cost of £1,000 including installation and training. It was agreed to consider making a contribution towards this at the next meeting. £50 will be suggested.

### **23/9: Open Forum:**

- a. A Lancaster & District Directory has now been published. The Clerk will arrange for a link to be placed on the website and Councillor Howard will display some information about it on the notice board.
- b. Complaints have received from a resident farmer that his tractor wheels are being damaged by a section of the Leck Fell Road that has dropped; this is hardly discernible to motorists but is damaging to tractors which use the lane daily. The Clerk will mention this issue to Councillor Maxwell-Scott.
- c. Defibrillator training is to take place shortly.
- d. The Clerk will arrange for some of the contact details on the website to be updated.

### **23/10 Date of the next meeting:**

***Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2023 at 6pm at the Fraser Hall, Cowan Bridge.  
(This will be the Annual Parish Meeting and the Annual Council Meeting)***

*The meeting closed at 7.10pm*

*Signed:*

*Dated:*

