

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Ireby with Leck Parish Council held at the Fraser Hall, Cowan Bridge, on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2023 at 6.05pm.

Present were Councillors Carol Howard (Chairman), Colin Chick, Andrew Makinson, Carole Scott, John Welbank and Jean White, and Parish Clerk Kevin Price. Apologies for absence were received from County Councillor Matthew Maxwell-Scott and Lancaster City Councillor Ross Hunter.

**23/11 Election of Chairman:**

Councillor Carol Howard was elected Chairman for 2023-24.

**23/12 Appointment of Vice-Chairman for 2023-24:**

Councillor Carole Scott was appointed Vice-Chairman for 2023-24.

**23/13 Appointment of Representatives:**

Councillor White was appointed as the Council's representative on the Fraser Hall committee.

As there had been no meetings arranged by LALC over at least the past year, it was not deemed necessary to appoint a representative at present.

**23/14 Requests for Dispensations: None.**

**23/15 Declarations of Interest:**

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

**23/16 Minutes:**

The minutes of the meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2023, having been circulated were accepted as a true record and signed by the chairman.

**23/17 Notice board on the village store in Cowan Bridge:**

It was reported that the glass in this notice board was broken. The board is regarded as a parish notice board and it was resolved that the Council accepts responsibility for it and replaces the glass or purchases a new board. Councillors Howard and Makinson agreed to action this and also to speak to the owner of the shop.

**23/18 CANS (Councils Against Noise and Speed):**

Councillor Howard reported that the Chairman of this group had now resigned as he is no longer a Parish Councillor. Further developments are awaited in due course.

### **23/19 Sustainable Settlement Review:**

The Sustainable Settlement Review (20 pages long) had been emailed to the Council by Paul Hatch, Principle Planning Officer, and Maurice Brophy. They invited the Parish Council to respond to their proposals for future planning. The Chairman asked if there were any issues Councillors wished to discuss or any queries to raise. None were forthcoming but Councillor Chick offered to look again at the proposals before the deadline date of 31<sup>st</sup> May.

### **23/20 Finance:**

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

LALC	£44.50	Annual subscription
A2A Advertising Limited		
	£90.00	Website hosting
BHIB Insurance	£377.95	Insurance premium
Simon Rimmer	£50.00	Quarterly payment for Memorial Garden
K M Price	£162.99	Quarterly expenses to 31st March, including use of home office and travel

- b. It was resolved to contribute £50 towards the Clerk's new computer equipment. The total cost of £1,000, including installation and training, was underwritten by Kirkby Lonsdale Town Council.
- c. Work is ongoing to revise the Bank Mandate but it is proving extremely difficult to bring it to a conclusion. The Clerk agreed to enquire at Cumberland Building Society in Windermere, as to whether they are still accepting Council accounts.
- d. The Interim Accounts for 2022-23 were noted.
- e. The Chairman and Clerk were authorised to sign the Certificate of Exemption, the Annual Governance Statement and the Accounting Statements. All Councillors had received copies of these documents and the Clerk explained each one.
- f. Consideration was given to making a contribution to the Fraser Hall towards the cost of maintaining the defibrillator. The cost of two pads had been £57. It was agreed to ask for further details and it will be an agenda item for the next meeting.

### **23/21 Agenda items for the next meeting:**

Defibrillator for Ireby.

### **23/22 Date of the next meeting:**

***Monday 21<sup>st</sup> August 2023 at 6pm at the Fraser Hall, Cowan Bridge.***

*The meeting closed at 7.30pm.*

*Signed:*

*Dated:*