

Minutes of a meeting of Ireby with Leck Parish Council held by ZOOM on Monday 8th February 2021 at 6pm.

Present were Councillors Carol Howard (Chairman), Kathryn Hyde, Carole Scott, John Welbank and Jean White, County Councillor Susie Charles, Lancaster City Councillor Stewart Scothern, one member of the public and Parish Clerk Kevin Price. Apologies for absence were accepted from Councillor Andrew Makinson.

21/3 Public participation:

A resident spoke of the problem of dog fouling in Leck. This is particularly bad along the whole length of Low Lane and part of the fell road. Lancaster City Council does have a Dog Warden but the problem is notoriously difficult to police. Councillors Howard and White agreed to put up signs in the area, which had worked previously., and also to ask the City Council if a new dog waste bin can be provided on Low Lane at a spot where there is room on the grass verge.

21/4 Requests for Dispensations: None.

21/5 Declarations of Interest:

Councillor Welbank declared an interest in the 'Woodland scheme' to be discussed under 'Action Group'.

21/6 Minutes:

The minutes of the meetings held on 16th November 2020 and 11th January 2021, having been circulated were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

21/7 Finance:

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

St Peter's Church Leck. £425.00 Churchyard (conservation) maintenance.

b. The cash and budget statements were noted.

c. Councillor Howard said that she had been informed 'signage' is currently suspended so the proposed YDNPA village sign for Leck would seem to be on hold. Councillor Charles asked if the emails regarding this could be sent to her and she will speak to the Cabinet Member at Lancashire CC.

d. Discussion took place regarding the 'Green Grants Scheme' which offers grants of up to £1,000. An application could be made for the tree work at Ireby, including replanting. The next deadline for applications is 22nd July 2021. The Lancashire Environmental Fund could also be approached. The project is to be named 'Ireby Beck enhancement and refurbishment project'. It was resolved that the Action Group will prepare an application.

21/8 Action Group:

- a. **Footpath Officer:** The group will discuss the appointment of a new Footpath Officer.
- b. **Defibrillator:** Burrow Parish Meeting is not interested in joining forces with this Council for the provision of defibrillators. This will be an agenda item for the next meeting. In the meantime, neighbours will be canvassed for their views on the project. Councillor Scothern said that Slyne-with-Hest Parish Council had installed defibrillators and he can supply details if required.
- c. **The Woodland Scheme:** Councillor Welbank said that he plans to plant 7,500 trees next winter at his farm. Yorkshire Dales Millennium Trust will part fund the scheme. It was unanimously resolved that this Council will send a letter of support for the scheme.
- d. **Replanting in Ireby** - this has already been dealt with.
- e. **Dog fouling** - this had been dealt with in 'Public Participation'.
- f. **'Weekend Biker's Meeting'**. Councillor Howard had attended the recent meeting of this group, now named CANS ('Communities Against Noise and Speed') and she will circulate the minutes when available. Tim Farron MP and David Morris MP are supporting the group and the three Police forces have been asked to assist. Average speed cameras in specific areas have been requested. In the long-term it is hoped to obtain some acoustic cameras when these become available and to look at the whole problem of speeding in the National Park.

21/9 Reports:

Councillor Charles said there was no report to give at present but asked that she be kept updated with the work of the Council; she will help whenever possible.

Councillor Hyde followed up her recent emails to Councillors, regarding the information on the Carbon Footprinting Tool. She had researched the matter comprehensively and had sent the slides and circulars from the meeting she had attended. She agreed to place copies on these on both notice boards.

21/10 Planning:

There were no current planning matters.

21/11 Date of the next meeting:

***Wednesday 26th May 2021 by ZOOM (provisionally) at 6pm.
(This will be the Annual Parish Meeting and the Annual Council Meeting).***

The meeting closed at 7.35pm.

Signed:

Dated: