Minutes of the meeting of Hawkshead Parish Council held in the Lower Market Hall, Hawkshead at 7.30 pm on Tuesday 18th July 2017

Present:	Cllr M Woodhouse (Chair)
	Cllrs K Fordham, D Spedding, C Wood
	Clerk – Tracey Thornley

In attendance: John Moffat, David Vaughan, Hilary Anderson, Barbara Brown, Cllr Brereton, David and Barbara Williams

Minute Number		Action By
215/2017	Apologies RESOLVED: Apologies received from Cllr Moulton, Cllr Brown, Cllr Larkin	
216/2017	Requests for Dispensations No requests received	
217/2017	Declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests in respect of Agenda items	
	Declarations of interest received from Councillor Spedding and Councillor Fordham regarding planning permission for 7/2017/5255 High Orchard, Roger Ground	
218/2017	Minutes of Meeting 20 th June 2017 RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 20 th June are approved as a true record and signed by the Chair	
219/2017	Police and Public ParticipationPolicePSCO Forrester sent her apologies and a report saying there had been several crimes of criminal damage have been recorded in relation to the recent (24/6/17) Coast to Coast Cycle race through our area. At Outgate and near the Ferry, pins/tacks were thrown in the road causing many bicycle tyres to be punctured. She has made local enquiries (at Drunken Duck and Outgate Inn) but if anyone has an information about who may have done this, please get in touch with her.	
	She also mentioned that anyone can join Cumbria Community Messaging visit www.cumbriacommunitymessaging.co.uk	
220/2017	District Councillor Cllr Fletcher not present	
221/2017	Cumbria County Councillor Cllr Brereton – introduced himself, offered his services, he is happy to take up any issues with highways he has a meeting with them next week. He is very keen to get things moving in the area but will rely on the Parish Council for priorities for what we want him to do. He is currently playing catch up because of the general election. He is working on the issue with the ticket machines and the ferry. They hope to get the ferry to accept payments to stop the tail back issues with it, any feedback and support in the campaign would be welcome. He mentioned to keep him in the loop with any issues where he can try and push things.	
	He has a budget but is unclear how much it is, he gave examples of people asking for items such as money towards memorial in Coniston, road calming where there is a shortfall, he has 12 parishes in his division so needs to be careful how he spends his budget. He is currently trying to get round all the parishes and is coming across common issues.	
	The public were given an opportunity to ask Cllr Brereton any questions.	
	A member of the public asked whether it would be worth inviting Area Director of Highways so he can take stock of the common issues and give some kind of response.	
	Cllr Woodhouse mentioned Tarn Hows sign still missing.Clerk to send email to Cllr Brereton with a list of actions which we need completing including the Tarn Hows sign.	тт

222/2017	John Moffat – National Trust John introduced himself and explained he looks after Claife, Hawkshead, Coniston, Little Langdale area. He reported that the National Trust housing in Hawkshead are all filled. He talked about the local National Trust(NT) tourist attractions and visitor numbers being slightly down on last year so far.	
	Projects- working with Claife PC to create a path from Hawkshead to Sawrey. If they get planning permission they hope to start work from Hawkshead at the end in August. It will not fully be off road as some landowners don't want to get involved with it. They aim to be finished by October half term.	
	Ferry issues and concerns are a problem for NT too. Concern that the number of ferry crossings has dropped by about a third, has had an impact is on the experience of those visitors through having to wait longer to get across on the ferry as well as all the confusion around payment etc. John is happy to support and write to relevant people about this.	
	The Forestry Commission have done the flyover looking for Larch disease (Phylophthora), they only found one site on the top between Hawkshead and Coniston.	
	World Heritage Site – the National Trust have been involved with this and are happy to answer any questions on it. This should have a positive impact, marketing the Lake District to millions of people. The government should protect the area and put us in a better place for funding as we have the status.	
	Concern was raised regarding planning regulations, it was felt that the levels are already at the highest they can be so there should be no change.	
	National Trust have produced a booklet 'Looking after the Lakes, for now and for the future'. This can be viewed online.	
	John asked the question what in Hawkshead can the NT help with?	
	A member of the public mentioned heritage status and local knowledge is poor, they don't know much about it. Lack of consultation before this has happened has caused concern. They are predicting an extra 3 million people into the Lakes, no one really knows the impact this could have. The questions was asked as to whether the impact of the extra visitors has this been considered re car parking, transport and challenges of the area. The NT are providing off road paths and cycle tracks to try to keep transport off the roads.	
	A member of the public asked if the National Trust had considered electric charging points for cars in their car parks. John reported that there is a project underway in National Trust car parks to lead by example. It is a central project at the moment and they are getting some test sites going, this will be done in different areas of the Country. John will keep us updated on when and where this may happen.	
223/2017	Public Participation Member of the public mentioned the hedge on the car park needs cutting, weeds need killing and the village is looking untidy with weeds growing everywhere. From Red Lion Yard to Black Beck the trees need cutting back when crossing road. Cllr Woodhouse has a meeting with someone from the National Trust and will ask about putting weedkiller down in the car park. They don't want people parking on the grass in the Old Police Car Park by the tree as the roots are getting damaged and the tree will eventually die.	
	Parking in the Squares is becoming an issue with some residents leaving their cars there all day. There are also work men leaving their vehicles not always in spaces. Clerk to contact Traffic Warden about visiting the Old Police Car Park and the Squares.	тт
	A member of the public raised a concern re correspondence - repair of the road edge at Roger Ground which had eroded due to being used by vehicles as a passing place, the road has been patched up rather than a kerb edge placed there. Cllr Spedding confirmed that the patch up job done on the corner was inadequate. Discussion took place regarding the drains and gullies by the area. It would appear that the gully has been blocked for sometime which causes the water to run down the road to the corner also causing erosion to happen. The drains and gully problem has also caused Hannakin at the bottom of the hill to flood in the	тт
	past. Cllr Brereton has been given pictures of the problem with the drains and gullies. Clerk to email Cllr Brereton to ask about the gully being cleared. Clerk to also re log the problem.	

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	Member of the public voiced concern about traffic flow on the road at Roger Ground and putting measures in to make traffic move safely. It was felt that signage could be improved to help traffic get by safely. Discussion took place regarding different options, signage seeming the most appropriate. It was decided that this should be added to a list of priorities to be sent to ClIr Brereton. A member of the public also suggested getting Highways to come and visit the site would be helpful.	тт
	Member of the public mentioned the grit bin on the bend at Roger Ground has been moved and is in disrepair. Cllr Fordham reported that there have been a lot of contractors near the location over last 3 years and the grit bin had been moved by them. Clerk to contact Cllr Brereton to ask for a new bin and for it to be relocated.	тт
	A member of the public mentioned that SLDC are going to review Parish Councils after May 2018 and that he didn't know what framework they are going to use but think that the Parish Council should have a plan to find out what measures are going to be used. He questioned if there is a plan for this? Cllr Woodhouse responded that at present there is no plan.	
	The hedge by the YHA is overhanging the road and needs to be cut back. Clerk to write to YHA	TT
224/2017	Action Results <u>To construct a list of white line road markings required in Hawkshead with priorities</u> CIIr Spedding will make a list and forward to the Clerk	DS/TT
	<u>To consider a replacement noticeboard opposite the Sun Inn</u> Cllr Spedding circulated a proposed noticeboard with a quote of £760.00 Cllr Fordham proposed to go ahead, all agreed. Cllr Spedding will order the noticeboard.	DS
	To update on Groundsman RESOLVED Groundsman appointed at the same price as last year, insurance documents have been seen.	
	To update on hedge by National Park, Car Park RESOLVED Has been cut back.	
	To update on the Christmas lights on Hawkshead Shop RESOLVED Unfortunately current new health and safety issues mean this can not be done.	
	To update on progress on updating website RESOLVED Clerk has managed to get recent minutes and the latest agenda online and will continue to update the website.	
	Highways Issues	
225/2017	To note Highways issues in the Parish -	
	 RESOLVED Loose manhole cover outside Swiss Cottage, Fold Gate Ref W171435117 – Second log W171436462 - it doesn't rattle anymore, has a white cross on it, probably due to have work done in the future. 	
	• RESOLVED High Cross Cottage overgrown hedge on roadside – Cumbria Cottages have been in touch with the owner will give them a bit of time to get the job done.	
	• Signage Kings Yard – Clerk to continue to chase District Council.	TT
	Missing sign Tarn Hows – Clerk to contact Cllr Brereton.	TT
	Finance and Governance Issues	
226/2017	Payments RESOLVED Councillors to authorise payment of the following accounts:	
	Tracey Thornley (Clerk wages) £ 230.32	

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	Pandora Signs (Private sign Police Car Park)£58.54A2A Advertising Ltd (Annual Web hosting fee)£78.00	
	Councillors acknowledged receipt of the following:- Old Police Car Park Permits renewals (2017/18) £ 652.00	
	RESOLVED The first quarter accounts were audited and signed as a true record.	
227/2017	Hawkshead Project Cllr Wood has a meeting tomorrow evening. £20k promised from SLDC Cllr Wood will chase this up. Looking for £600,000 for the project. LDNP, CCC, SLDC not helping her to find funding opportunities. It was thought that there is a Leader Funding champion in local authorities who will help, Cllr Brereton will find out who this is. Cllr Wood will send a copy of project report to him to follow up on this. Cllr Fordham mentioned a funding source the first stage is to complete an expression of interest form the funding is open until March 18.	CW
228/2017	Planning The Councillors considered planning applications and formulated comments to the planning Authority:-	
	7/2017/5372 – Arqiva Electronic Communications Site, High Barn, Grizedale, Hawkshead, Cumbria – Installation of 2 no radio transmission dishes with supports, onto existing 30 metres .high radio tower; radio equipment cabinet with ancillary apparatus at ground level. RESOLVED no objections Clerk to notify Planning.	тт
	7/2017/5279 – The Market Hall, The Square, Hawkshead – erect safety railings to disabled ramp. RESOLVED no objections Clerk to notify Planning	тт
	7/2017/5255 – High Orchard, Roger Ground, Ambleside – Installation of new gate and associated stairs adjacent to a highway.UNRESOLVED Couldn't raise a quorum to make a decision on this. Clerk to notify Planning.	тт
229/2017	Old Police Car Park Discussion took place about the application process it was agreed it is for local residents. The system should remain in place for this year and see what happens next year.	
230/2017	Hawkshead Show Cllr Fletcher was going to find out whether there was a roadshow type gazebo that could be used. Cllr Brereton will look into what is available. Cllr Wood thought that all the stands are let at Hawkshead Show but she will ask if there is any trade stand space left.	CW
231/2017	Councillor Matters Concern was raised over the decision regarding Gable Cottage letting, a family who already have a property that they are renting in Hawkshead have additionally been given a tenancy from Lakeland Housing Trust. Clerk has been asked to write a letter to Lakeland Housing Trust asking them to send a copy of the letting criteria used for the property and voice concerns raised that one couple have ended up with 2 properties in Hawkshead Village . There may have been more suitable candidates and this has caused concern in the community. Clerk to draft letter and circulate to Councillors before sending out.	тт
	Defribrallator cars parking in front of the access to it – Clerk to contact highways/Cllr Brereton about lines being put in front of the telephone box to stop people parking and blocking the access to it.	TT
232/2017	Correspondence RESOLVED: Cllrs noted the following emails received: C Avery – Esthwaite Fishery Concert Joanne Gould, Historic England – Hawkshead War Memorial – listed building Hawksheadlink – Household Emergency planning, Cumbria's Top Tree, National Neighbourhood Watch, Jean makes it to the top of Latterbarrow, Think Global event, Roadside Traffic Surveys Kendal, Hawkshead Relish recognised at national level, Borwick Lodge farm visit, Local news/events Development plans – Pre-Publication on Development Management Policy. SLDC – Car Parks survey Emma Ette – weekly lists	

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	Nicola Busutti – Rural Community Survey Neil Morris – Converted Telephone box for Defibrillator kiosk access National Plant Monitoring Scheme 2017 update CALC – Carbon Budget Data Help, Shake up of Britains water market, Commonland course, Writing Successfully for Media – David Helliwell, Grants applications for the CLHF scheme, Update LCR Ownerless Commonland D Williams – re minute 205/2017	
233/2017	Next Meeting The next meeting will be on Tuesday 19th September at 7.30 pm in Lower Market Hall, Hawkshead	

Meeting closed 10.17 pm

Date	Signed & Approved by (Chair)