

Milburn Parish Council - 2nd March 2021

Due to Coronavirus – Covid-19 – The Parish Council held a zoom meeting

Present

Councillors D Richardson (Chair), R. Healey, M Armstrong, N Cresswell and P Moran Clerk Mrs J Todd Councillor A Connell plus two guests

21.03.01 Apologies

None received

21.03.02 Register of Interests

None

21.03.03 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on the 26th January 2021 had been circulated prior to this meeting. All agreed this was a true record and were signed and approved.

21.03.04 Matters Arising

Any matters arising are an item on the agenda

21.03.05 Councillors Statement re Village Green

Following the meeting held on 26th January 2021, the Councillors agreed via email to issue a statement regarding the village green (a copy in the minute book, also emailed to Gwennie and Russell Clark to email to the community and a copy placed on the notice board)

The Statement confirms the Parish Council are taking over the ownership of the Village Green from Corlands and the appointed solicitor.

The Councillors also confirmed that they will be maintaining the cart roads and village green as they have done for many years, retaining the character of the village for future generations

21.03.06 Highways Update

Following the last meeting, Councillor Connell contacted the Highways Dept and they did attend the village and filled some of the potholes up the centre road, but not all the holes have been filled.

Some holes in the entrance to Fell Lane have been partially filled, but this is not Highways responsibility but they are willing to use any surplus tarmac to fill them if possible.

Signed _____ Dated _____

Barriers have been placed around collapsed drain, previously repaired with concrete but now broken up at The Mill, this is awaiting repair.

The drains down Mill Lane are still waiting to be dealt with but Councillor Connell has contacted Highways about this.

Councillor Richardson thanked Councillor Connell for his help with these highway matters

21.03.07 Garden Waste Skip

The agreement for the garden waste skip has been received from Eden District Council, resolved Clerk to complete and forward agreement back to them.

21.03.08 Finance

The Councillors resolved to pay £250.00 donation to The Church

Clerk's Wages £963.84

Clerk's Expenses £86.67

21.03.09 Correspondence

BC Bus Shelter Brochure

Emails forwarded to Councillors as appropriate

21.03.10 Public Participation

None

21.03.11 Any other Business

Councillor Healey contacted BT to explore the possibility of fibre optic cable to Milburn for broadband connection.

The broadband universal service scheme is an option, this scheme covers up to £3400 per premises excluding VAT, for the upgrade. BT have carried out detailed checks and they estimate the cost to be £50,000 to £60,000 to upgrade the network.

There is another option which is the Community Fibre Partnership with the advantage of government vouchers or satellite broadband

Councillor Healey is looking further in this matter and intends to speak with David Bellsham about the fibre and will report back at the next meeting.

Meeting closed at 8.15pm

Next Meeting -11th May 2021 AGM - To be held in the Village Hall if possible

Signed _____ Dated _____