

HUTTON ROOF PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Hutton Roof Parish Council Annual Meeting held on Wednesday, 18th May 2016 at 7.30 pm
in Hutton Roof Village Hall

Present: Cllr R D Read
Cllr D J Travis
Cllr P Huntington

Also Present: Mrs A Huntington - Hutton Roof Press Officer
Mrs C Helliwell
Mrs E Simpson

1. **Election of Chairperson for the 2016/2017 Council Year**

It was proposed by Cllr Huntington and seconded by Cllr Read that Cllr Travis should serve as Chairperson for the 2016/2017 council year. It was unanimously agreed to elect Cllr Travis as Hutton Roof Parish Council Chairperson.

2. **Election of Vice Chairperson for the 2016/2017 Council Year**

It was proposed by Cllr Travis and seconded by Cllr Huntington that Cllr Read should serve as Vice Chairperson for the 2016/2017 council year. It was unanimously agreed to elect Cllr Read as Hutton Roof Parish Council Chairperson.

3. **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence from the meeting were received from Cllrs Bingham and Cooper, Mr J Helliwell, Mr & Mrs Bull and Mrs Alison Newton.

4. **Declarations of Interest**

Cllr D Travis declared an interest in Agenda Item 9.

5. **Minutes of the last Hutton Roof Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday, 17th February 2016**

The minutes of the last Hutton Roof Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday, 17th February 2016 were signed by Cllr Travis as a true record of the proceedings.

6. **Matters Arising from those Minutes**

The following matters arose from the minutes of the last meeting;

- Refuse collections appear to now be working satisfactorily after the initial implementation problems.
- The highway issues at the entrance to Mealrigg Farm and Lupton Mill were still unresolved.

7. **Hutton Roof Parish Council Vacancies**

The Clerk explained both Cllrs Matthews and S Travis had tendered their resignations and that at some point in the near future the official notice would be lodged with South Lakeland District Council.

8. **Police Report**

There were no incidents to report concerning Hutton Roof.

It was resolved to ask Cllr Bingham if he had raised the issue regarding the police reports as minuted in the meeting held on 17th February 2016.

9. **Financial Report**

Cllr Travis re-iterated his interest in this agenda item.

The Clerk reported that the balance at the bank stood at £2,555.01 which took account for the annual £20.00 contribution to the Hutton Roof Village Hall Association Newsletter and the receipt of £1063.08 precept.

The Clerk suggested Cllr Huntington be a signatory on the Council's bank account. It was unanimously agreed by both Cllrs Travis and Read to this being implemented.

10. **Hutton Roof Village Hall.**

- **Country Fair and Fell Race**

Mrs Simpson reminded those present this annual event was to be held on Saturday, 28th May 2016 and volunteers were still required in order to facilitate its smooth running.

The Clerk suggested the Parish Council could perhaps run a small stall at the Country Fair but this would depend upon member's availability.

- Mrs Simpson was assured the trees agreed to be provided by the Parish Council to commemorate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee would be purchased before the next meeting.
- Mrs Simpson confirmed to those present that the Village Hall was now connected to B4RN superfast broadband but it was important that individuals using it in the Village Hall did so by creating individual accounts. Hopefully, this would avoid misuse of the facility.
- The Hutton Roof Village Hall Association Annual General Meeting will be held on Tuesday, 5th July 2016 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.

11. **Parish Highways**

Those present expressed their disappointment that the Parish Highways remained unrepaired but acknowledged that the damaged major routes and bridges, within the County, as a result of December's floods took precedence over the minor highways.

12. **Planning Applications**

There were no planning applications presented for discussion.

13. **Correspondence**

The Clerk informed those present that the Government Boundary Commission for England was asking people across South Lakeland for their views on the proposed new electoral arrangements which included new council wards, ward boundaries and ward names.

14. **Open Forum**

There were no items for discussion

15. **Any Other Business**

- **Hutton Roof Crag**

Cllr Travis informed the meeting that he had received an email from Mr Martin Wain saying that the idea of introducing sheep grazing alongside cattle on the Crag was being considered and would welcome the Council's comments. As of today's date Mr Wain has not returned Cllr Travis's telephone call.

Cllr Travis confirmed that he had made contact with Cumbria County Council regarding the possibility of those commoners who hold sheep gait on Hutton Roof Crag having them confiscated for not utilising them for a number of years. Cllr Travis was still awaiting a response.

16. **Date and Time of Next Meeting**

It was resolved to hold the next Hutton Roof Parish Council Meeting towards the end of June 2016

There being no further business to discuss, Cllr Travis thanked everyone for their attendance and the meeting closed at 8.45 pm