

SHAP PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting
Tuesday 4th April 2011 at 7.00 pm
Venue: Market Cross**

Attendance:

Chairman:	Mrs J Jackson
Councillors:	Mrs A Bindloss, Mrs P Watson, Mr H. Harrison, Mr D Mallinson, Mr E Hodgson, Mr A Sowerby, Mr W Warburg, Mr M Weightman
District Councillor:	Mr N. Hughes
County Councillor	Mr T.Lowther
Police	None
Clerk	Mrs J. Scott-Smith
Public:	Three

- 1/4/11 Public Participation.** Craig Brass from NextGenUs addressed the meeting about superfast Broadband and gave a video presentation..
- 1/4/111 Eden is one of the selected areas to be offered superfast Broadband, and Shap has the opportunity to be part of this.
- 1/4/112 Superfast fibre optic Broadband can be connected to places that have poor or no reception at present.
- 1/4/113 There is a fibre ring main with cables running from it to each home. An figure of £139 for installation was quoted with approximately £30 per month line rental.
- 1/4/114 The installation would do away with the need for phone land lines and satellite installations, as all these services could be accessed through the new system.
- 1/4/115 The scheme can be beneficial to communities, after five to seven years, 65% of surplus monies would go back into the communities for use on local projects.
- 1/4/116 Shap is an attractive location because three mains fibres already run through the village, Geo, Easynet and Fibre on the railway, and these could be tapped into.
- 1/4/117 Fibre Optic Broadband is a 100 year asset.
- 1/4/118 There would need to be a commitment of at least 150 people for the project to go ahead.
- 1/4/119 The Chairman thanked Mr Brass and said that the council would have further discussion on the matter and plan a special meeting for the community.

- 2/4/11 Following the presentation** and before the start of the formal meeting, councillors were photographed as a group since this would be the last meeting before the elections.

- 3/4/11 Apologies for absence** There were no apologies for absence.

- 4/4/11 The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of 7th March 2011 were signed as a true and accurate record.**

- 5/4/11 Declarations of interest.** There were no declarations of interest.

- 6/4/11 Finance**
- 6/4/111 Council RESOLVED to approve the statement of accounts to 31st March 2011. *Proposed Cllr Hodgson, seconded Cllr Warburg.*

- 6/4/112 Council RESOLVED to authorise payment of the following accounts:

Wages – 5 th April to 30 th April 2011 [Litter Act 1983, s5; Public Health Act 1987, s144]	£527.67
Clerk’s Salary March 2011	£254.97
Glasdon (Bus shelter)	£5,286.00
Glasdon (Spares for litter trolley)	£29.98
Eden Gardening Services	£166.00
Eden gardening Services	£60.00
Total	£6,324.62

Proposed Cllr Sowerby , seconded Cllr Weightman

- 7/4/11 Planning applications**

Signed(as a true record)

Date

- 7/4/111 **The following applications were viewed and discussed at a special planning meeting held on Monday 14th March.**
- 7/4/112 **Planning application 11/1051** Change of use for former surgery to provide two residential units, the Surgery West Lane, Shap for Mr J. Willan – Willan Trading Ltd. **No objections.**
- 7/4/113 **Planning Application 11/0084–** Change of use of existing building to dwelling, building adjacent to Rose Barn, Shap for Mr D. Mallinson. **No Objections.**
- 7/4/114 **Amended details to planning application 10/0953 –** Convert and extend outhouse to enable the creation of one dwelling along with erection of one dwelling – New Ing Lodge for Mr G. Newburn. **No further comments were made.**
- 7/4/115 **NEW APPLICATION. Planning Application 11/0207 –** Single storey extension to rear of dwelling 35 West lane, Shap for Miss K. Hunter. **No objections were raised.**
- 8/4/11 Elections 6th May 2011.**
- 8/4/111 The Chairman said that nomination papers were now in and the list of nominations would be published on line on Wednesday 6th April. We would then know whether there would be an election.
- 9/4/11 Public Toilets.**
- 9/4/111 The Chairman gave an update, a meeting had been held with Cllr Gordon Nicolson and the subject of the toilets had been touched upon. Cllr Nicolson had said that Eden District Council are trying to get Parish Councils to consider taking toilets on in order to keep them open. They are hoping to be more generous in the terms being offered to communities and hope to find money from the transformation project. The Parish Council continues to investigate all possibilities before a decision is made.
- 10/4/11 Bus Shelter**
- 10/4/111 This has now been erected, and is being well used; there have been many favourable comments for the public.
- 10/4/112 The Chairman thanked Cllr Mallinson for carrying out the ground works.
- 11/4/11 Grasscutting.**
- 11/4/111 A letter of acceptance together with insurance details had been received from Mr Alan Milne.
- 12/4/11 EALC meeting.**
- 12/4/111 This had been attended by Cllr Warburg who gave a resume of topics covered.
- 12/4/112
- 13/4/11 Footpath**
- 13/4/111 Tenders are out for the fencing and kissing gate to be installed on the footpath alongside the Sports Hall.
- 14/4/11 Kick Wall.**
- 14/4/111 We have received two grants each for £1,000 from Cumbria Police and CDRP at Eden District Council.
- 14/4/112 Another application is in hand.
- 15/4/11 Discussion regarding the NextGenUs presentation.**
- 15/4/111 Councillors felt that this was a thing for the future.
- 15/4/112 Although we have good Broadband reception at present we might get left behind in the future.
- 15/4/113 If Shap did not have Broadband the response would be keener.
- 15/4/114 The company would need to get a lot of people to sign up first, about two hundred; and there are a lot of practical issues to consider first.
- 15/4/115 Expense might worry some people.
- 15/4/116 The Council cannot dismiss this matter, and should give the public a chance to air their views.
- 15/4/117 It was queried whether the service to outlying areas would come at a sensible price.
- 15/4/118 There will be competing interests trying to get this contract.
- 15/4/119 The new council will need to arrange a public meeting so that residents can see what is involved and what is on offer.
- 16/4/11 Annual Parish Meeting**
- 16/4/111 The meeting will be held on Monday 11th April at 7:30p.m. in the Green Room at the Memorial hall.
- 16/4/112 Following the consultation weekend for 'Shap The Way Forward', there will be a presentation to give residents one more chance to contribute before concluding the consultation
- 16/4/113 The Annual Parish Meeting will be used as an opportunity to try to establish interest in the village's future.
- 16/4/114 It is hoped that representatives of Cumbria Police and other bodies will be at the meeting so that the public can ask questions and say what they would like to see for the future in the village.
- 17/4/11 Correspondence**

- 17/4/111 An email had been received regarding changes to the bus service between Penrith and Kendal. This mainly is a change of number of the service. Details were sent to Shap Today and are included in the April/May issue.
- 17/4/112 Details regarding Our Green Spaces funding.
- 18/4/11 Matters for report**
- 18/4/111 Cllr Hodgson commented on how nice the daffodils were at the south end of the village.
- 18/4/112 Cllr Warburg said that there were problems on the road between Bampton and Rosgill, and that he had reported them directly to Highways Hotline.
- 18/4/113 Cllr Watson said that the daffodils were lovely all over the village. She also reported that the road surface on the slip road to the M6 was breaking up.
- 18/4/114 Cllr Mallinson asked what was happening with the heaps of grit left from the winter.
- 18/4/115 Cllr Weightman asked for more details from the budget meeting.
- 18/4/116 Cllr Sowerby reported that the drains had been cleaned within the village, but he had been told that the drains in the higher speed area to the south of the village would require traffic lights to be erected whilst the work was carried out.
- 18/4/117 EDC Cllr Hughes reported that there had been complaints from residents in Pow Lane about dust created by construction traffic to the new sewage treatment plant. Initially United utilities had washed the road, but no longer did so. He thanked the Parish Council for allowing him to work alongside them.
- 18/4/118 The Clerk reported that Highways had informed her that they would carry out repairs on road surface of the school crossing during the Easter holidays.
- 18/4/119 The Chairman had received complaints about motor cycles and quad bikes being ridden on Ralfland common. They are a nuisance and there are concerns over their impact on wildlife. This happens elsewhere in the parish.
- 18/4/1110 The Chairman referred to the retirement of Cllr. Harrison after many years of service.
- 19/4/11** A Quarry liaison meeting will be held on Monday 11th April at 10:30a.m.
- 20/4/11** **Date of next meeting** The newly elected Council will convene for the AGM followed by an ordinary meeting –on Monday 9th May 2011.

The meeting closed at 9.00 pm.