

SHAP PARISH COUNCIL**Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting
Tuesday 7th March 2011 at 7.30 pm
Venue: Market Cross****Attendance:**

Chairman:	Mrs J Jackson
Councillors:	Mrs A Bindloss, Mrs P Watson, 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
PCSO	None
Clerk	Mrs J. Scott-Smith
Public:	Two

177/3/11 Apologies for absence Cllr H. Harrison.**178/3/11 Public Participation.**

- 178/3/111 Mrs Claire Miller Chairman of Shap Swimming Pool gave a report on the current situation at the pool. Last year, income had been £1,200 and expenses £1,400. There had been a large increase in gas and water charges. A new water meter has now been installed. The committee fears that they will lose some of the grant money they have received from Eden District Council. Some funding has been secured to cover the cost of lifeguards. They are looking for a grant towards the repair work needed for the walls and windows. The pump house and pool are now sound.
- 178/3/112 The Chairman asked whether there were any major problems, and Mrs Miller replied that basically they are concerned about running costs and finding volunteers to man the pool when it is open; they have just six regulars and some are older members of the community.
- 178/3/113 Planned fundraising this year will include Shap's Got Talent, and they also plan to hold a junior triathlon, and requested permission to use the playing field. The Chairman said that this was fine with the Parish Council but advised liaising with the Cricket and Football Clubs.
- 178/3/114 A joint meeting had been held with committees from other local pools, Penrith, Lazonby, Greystoke, Askham and Hunsonby, and this group plan to hold a big fundraising event to benefit all the pools.

179/3/11 The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of 7th February 2011 were signed as a true and accurate record.**180/3/11 Declarations of interest**

Cllr Mallinson declared an interest in item 5.2 – planning application at New Ing Lodge, Shap.

181/3/11 Finance

- 181/3/111 Council RESOLVED to approve the statement of accounts to 28th February 2011. *Proposed Cllr Sowerby, seconded Cllr Bindloss.*

181/3/112 Council RESOLVED to authorise payment of the following accounts:

Wages – 1 st March to 31 st March 2011 [Litter Act 1983, s5; Public Health Act 1987, s144]	£414.28
Clerk's Salary February 2011	£254.77
Clerks expenses	£4.23
Cumberland and Westmorland Herald	£44.00
Total	£717.28

Proposed Cllr Warburg, seconded Cllr Weightman

182/3/11 Budget update

- 182/3/111 Copies of the budget update sheet were distributed.

Signed(as a true record)

Date

189/3/11 Matters for report

- 189/3/111 Cllr Sowerby reported fly tipping on lay-by south of Shap Wells road end – builders rubbish and tyres.
- 189/3/112 Cllr Sowerby reported that a Police notice was displayed on the telegraph pole outside the laundrette, regarding parking issues.
- 189/3/113 Cllr Sowerby reported that the bank had not been open due to staff shortage, and it had not been open again the previous week.
- 189/3/114 Cllr Warburg reported that the Parish Council had been approached regarding operating Superfast Broadband through Next Genus. The contact person, Craig Brass had requested to attend a Parish council meeting.
- 189/3/115 Cllr Watson reported a sunken drain cover opposite Marshall Terrace.
- 189/3/116 Cllr Watson reported that the faulty street light on Wandsworth Gardens had been attended to, but seemed to be set incorrectly because it is now on during the daytime and off at night.
- 189/3/117 Cllr Watson said that she had had to swerve to avoid a vehicle leaving Moss Grove road end and in so doing had almost collided with the traffic island outside the Kings Arms. She called for the removal of the island and that at the north of the village too as she considers both to be hazards.
- 189/3/118 Cllr Bindloss reported pot holes in Shap Abbey lane between the Bampton Road and the cattle grid. This lane is heavily used by visitors to the abbey.
- 189/3/119 Cllr Mallinson asked what was being done with the grit left over from the winter; the street cleaner has put some of it into potholes on the car park.
- 189/3/1110 CC Cllr Lowther said that there seemed to be a lot of highway problems, and asked the clerk to copy all issues raised to him.
- 189/3/1111 CC Cllr Lowther said that there was less money around, but it may be possible to get grant form the Capital Scheme.
- 189/3/1112 EDC Cllr Hughes asked Cllr Lowther whether the bus service from Penrith to Kendal was safeguarded, Cllr Lowther said it so far as he knew it was safe.
- 189/3/1113 EDC Cllr Hughes commented about the new temporary executive appointed by Eden District Council, and said that should the plans to share services with South Lakeland go ahead, it was possible that there would be two executives in post at the same time.
- 189/3/1114 Cllr Hughes commented on the date for the AGM, saying that the election would take place on 5th May and so this would give insufficient notice for newly elected councillors. The possible solution would be to notify all prospective candidates of the meeting.

190/3/11 Date of next meeting Monday 4th April at 7 p.m.

191/3/11 Annual Parish Meeting –Monday 11th April at 7:30p.m. in the Green Room.

192/3/11 Date of AGM will be Monday 9th May – due to Local Council Elections.

The meeting closed at 9.30 pm.