

SHAP PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting
Monday 12 May 2008 at 7.30 pm
Venue: Market Cross**

Attendance:

Chairman:	Mrs J Jackson
Councillors:	Mrs A Bindloss, Mr D Mallinson, Mr H Harrison, Mr A Sowerby, Mr G Stainton, Mr W Warburg, Mr M Weightman
District Councillor:	Mr N Hughes (from 9.00 pm)
Clerk:	Mrs D Waterworth
Public:	Five (including two representatives from Shap Fell Quarry)

14/5/08 Apologies for absence Cllr P Watson, Cllr E Hodgson.

15/5/08 Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting of 7 April 2008 signed as a true and accurate record after correction of item 3/4/08 to read *Cllr Warburg declared a personal interest*, minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of 21 April 2008 confirmed as a true and accurate record.

16/5/08 Declarations of interest None

17/5/08 Finance

- 17.1 Council RESOLVED to approve the bank reconciliation as at 31 March 2008. *Proposed Cllr Warburg, seconded Cllr Mallinson.*
- 17.2 Council received the Statement of Accounts to 31 March 2008 and RESOLVED to approve the Statement of Accounts, *Proposed Cllr Warburg, seconded Cllr Mallinson* and authorised the Chairman to complete the Annual Governance Statement on the Annual return for the year ending 31 March 2008. *Proposed Cllr Warburg, seconded Cllr Bindloss.*
- 17.3 Council RESOLVED to approve the Statement of Accounts to 9 May 2008. *Proposed Cllr Weightman, seconded Cllr Bindloss.* It was agreed that the Clerk should prepare a budget statement for the June meeting.
- 17.4 Council RESOLVED to authorise payment of the following accounts:

Payments made between meetings:

EDC – car park rates (Direct Debit) [Road Traffic Act 1984, s57]	£53.22
British Gas Business – electricity (Direct Debit) [LGA 1972, s111]	£19.90
BT – telephone account (Direct Debit) [LGA 1972, s111]	£64.88
Wages – 11 April to 9 May 2008 [Litter Act 1983, s5; Public Health Act 1987, s144]	<u>£492.45</u>
Total	£630.45

Payments for approval this meeting:

Allianz Insurance [LGA 1972, s111]	£532.87
EDC – Building Inspection fee – sports stand [LG (Misc Prov) Act 1976, s19]	£176.21
Shap Local History Society – Market Cross rent [LGA 1972, s111, s144]	£600.00
Cumbria Playing Fields Association – subscription [LGA 1972, s143]	£21.00
D Waterworth - reimburse stamps – new price 7/4/08 [LGA 1972, s111]	£3.20
Clerk's salary – April 2008 [LGA 1972, s112]	<u>£190.10</u>
Total	£1523.38

Proposed Cllr Mallinson, seconded Cllr Bindloss.

At the Chairman's discretion Item 6 on the agenda was brought forward to this point.

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18/5/08 Developments at Shap fell Quarry & related matters. Mr Cartmell provided statistics on the quarried materials, site capacity, employment, distribution, traffic volume between Corus and Hansons quarries, an update on the water table trials and the submission of planning applications. Currently there was no work below the water table and the sole planning application sought to bring the two earlier consents of 1988 and 1993 (the latter expired July 2006) into line in terms of the end date of 2018. It was anticipated that a further application would be made by October 2008 for extracting below the water table.

Members of the public present were invited to raise questions. These covered: water affecting property at Hardendale, interrupted water flows to field springs at Hardendale, use of the Corus rail link, uncleaned condition of wagons through village and spreading of dust through village. Mr Cartmell undertook to liaise with Hansons re vehicle cleaning.

Members of the public requested that they be allowed to attend future Parish Council meetings on this subject and make their representations.

19/5/08 Planning applications:

- .1 08/0168, Raby Cottage, Hardendale – Portacabin for staff use on site. No objections.
- .2 3/08/9007, Shap Blue Quarry – coated roadstone plant amended scheme. No objections.
- .3 08/0316, Site adjacent to Moorland View, Keld – construction of a dwelling. No objections.
- .4 08/0324, Allandale, Main Street, Shap – single storey extensions to existing dwelling and garage. No objections.

19.5 Planning decision: 08/0018, 9 Brackenber Lodge, Shap – granted.

20/05/08 Internal Auditor's - report to Council and further action. The Clerk reported the Internal Auditor's opinion, no further action was necessary.

21/5/08 Insurance and assets review – report to Council and further action (notes circulated). Council agreed to defer the matter of increased insurance cover for the football stand, car park walling, tennis court netting, Memorial Park gates and Cricket hut until the June meeting.

22/5/08 Youth Club Lease – update and next steps (notes circulated). The Chairman informed the meeting that the next step was for the Youth Club to consider the draft and in the light of this further discussion of the matter would be deferred to the next meeting.

23/5/08 Health & Safety – new regulations and implications for Shap Parish Council. Cllr Mallinson outlined the new regulation relating to Corporate Manslaughter and impressed on the Council the need for rigorous procedures in relation to contractors or volunteers working on the Council's behalf. The Clerk was asked to check with CALC and EDC about the provision of relevant training courses for employees.

24/5/08 Draft Regional Spatial Strategy – consultation on changes – deadline 23 May 2008. Cllr Warburg highlighted a significant change relating to the devolvement of the decision on Key Service Centres and Local Service Centres to the District Council.

25/5/08 Cumbria Waste & Minerals Development Framework – consultation – deadline 30 May 2008. Cllr Warburg drew attention to the proposal to create bulk waste transfer centres which would ship waste out of the County. In relation to minerals his view was that the proposal in Development Control Policy No 1: Traffic and Transport should be amended to take out the "if" at line 6 and to include the three bullet points as an integral part of the policy and consideration. Council RESOLVED to respond to this effect. *Proposed Cllr Warburg, seconded Cllr Weightman.*

26/5/08 Memorial Park trees – invitations to quote for removal of four. Council agreed that the Clerk should obtain at least two quotes from local tree surgeons.

27/5/08 Great North Air Ambulance Service – response to request for donation. Council proposed to incur expenditure under Section 137 as being in the interests of all or some of its inhabitants and RESOLVED to donate £100. *Proposed Cllr Mallinson, seconded Cllr Stainton.*

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28/5/08 Mencap (North West) – response to request for donation. Council proposed to incur expenditure under Section 137 as being in the interests of all or some of its inhabitants and RESOLVED to donate £30. *Proposed Cllr Stainton, seconded Cllr Weightman.* Both donations to be drawn from contingency.

29/5/08 Correspondence:

- 29.1 Council acknowledged receipt of timetable for roadshows/workshops re Lake District World Heritage project.
- 29.2 Council acknowledged receipt of EDC & CALC notice of procedures for local assessment of complaints by Standards Committee and invitation to nominate to local Standards Committee. There were no nominations.
- .3 Council acknowledged receipt of letter of thanks from Shap Pre-School Playgroup.
- .4 Council acknowledged receipt of copy of premises licence awarded to Fell House, Shap.
- .5 Council acknowledged receipt of Friends of the Lake District Annual Report.
- .6 Council acknowledged receipt of CALC Newsletter and Training Programme, April 2008.
- .7 Council acknowledged receipt of notice of NALC Conference, Eastbourne, May 2008.
- 29.8 Council acknowledged receipt of late notice of Lake District Parish Councils meeting on 28 April at Keswick.

30/5/08 Matters for Report

- .1 Cllr Sowerby raised the matter of liaison between Hardendale residents and Corus. The Clerk was asked to write to thank Peter Cartmell and suggest this possibility.
- .2 Council acknowledged receipt of information from Cumbria Highways relating to the new Highway Stewards scheme and nominated the Clerk as the Parish Council's point of contact with support from Cllr Sowerby.
- .3 Cllr Warburg asked about possible developments at the recycling centre. The Chairman informed the meeting that a meeting had been arranged for Friday 16 May at 10.00 am, Councillors welcome.
- .4 Cllr Stainton asked about disposal of broken glass.
- .5 Cllr Harrison reported that although some work had been done in relation to the flooding on the Wet Sleddale road the drain had not been cleared. The Clerk would follow up.
- .6 Cllr Hughes reported that the new cabinet system was now in place at EDC.
- .7 Cllr Hughes reported on the District Council exercise relating to saving of grants and warned the Council that rural pools and play areas were under scrutiny.
- .8 Cllr Jackson reported the police investigation re property damage in Shap which included damage to the litter bin at the bottom of Croft Avenue.
- .9 Cllr Jackson reported that the tenders had been sent out in relation to the Public Toilet refurbishment.
- .10 Council noted letter of thanks from Shap Football Club.
- 30.11 Council noted that a copy of Dog Control Orders from EDC had been received and that the Clerk had provided a brief article on this topic for Shap Today.

31/5/08 Date of next meeting: Monday 2 June 2008.

The meeting closed at 9.45 pm.

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