

# TEMPLE SOWERBY PARISH COUNCIL

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A meeting of the Parish Council was held on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm in the Victory Hall

Present were Councillors Kevin Overs (KO), Caryl Varty (CV), Andi Sambrook (AS), Chris Williamson (CW) and Lisa Robinson (LR). Also present were Caroline Fancott-Beynon (CFB) (Clerk) along with Will Cleasby (WC), Trustee of the Parish Houses and 5 parishioners

## 1. Apologies

None

## 2. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 31<sup>st</sup> May were distributed to councillors, agreed and signed by the Chair

## 3. Declarations of Interests

Although not for discussion this evening and just for note, CV has declared an interest in Planning Application 22/0245 and 22/0281. AS has also declared an interest in Planning Application 22/607 and 22/608. LR has declared an interest under Item 6 – fence damage

## Requests for Dispensation

None

## 4. Adjournment of Meeting

The council has received some concerns regarding the tarmacking of an access over the village green to a property 'Wayside'. The clerk confirmed this was village green as registered with the land registry and as such is subject to the usual restrictions regarding permanent coverings on the village green. It was also confirmed that no correspondence had been received from the owners of the property requesting permission for access or to re-cover an existing accessway. It was agreed that in the first instance the clerk would write to the owners to make them aware that the land in question is village green and as such is restricted and try to arrange a meeting to discuss the matter.

## 5. Parish Houses & Land

- The clerk confirmed all land rents have now been received with the exception of Greengarth for which a reminder has been sent
- The rent review for 1 and 2 Crossfell View was discussed with both councillors and WC. It was noted that rents have not been increased for 5 years now and also that the current rents are well below market value and housing benefit rates. However, it was agreed that given the current economic climate that there would be no increase at the current time and this would be reviewed in July 2023.

## 6. Parish Issues (Village Greens/Trees/Footpaths etc)

- The clerk fed back to councillors following a meeting with the EDC Tree Officer. There is no major works to complete, but deadwood etc will need removing. There are also two trees to potentially fell. The clerk has requested quotes and is awaiting to hear back from contractors. The Tree Officer is also keen to meet with the council to discuss proactive care of the trees and replanting schemes – the clerk will arrange a suitable date for this. AS queried whether the trees alongside the old A66 fell under the PC remit, which they do not. The clerk will try and ascertain whether these fall to Cumbria County Council or Highways England.
- The damage to the village green and fence following the road traffic collision has been forwarded to the insurers. One quote for repair of the fence has been received and the clerk is currently in the process of arranging some more.
- Following the village walk around in summer, it was agreed that the group wishing to update the play area will obtain some quotes and bring them to council. Nothing has been received however the clerk will chase this up. The clerk did make enquiries about possible coverings that other councils used and the trend seems to be for either bark chippings or grasscrete type matting. The play area inspection in summer raised no issues except the goal posts – the clerk will price up wooded posts as a possible replacement. It is understood that wooden goal posts were originally intended to be erected by previous councillors to better match other wooden items in the play area and suit the village green, but there was a mistake in the ordering process.
- United Utilities have confirmed that all works at The Moss are now completed and backfilled. Councillors will check they are happy with this finish and confirm with the clerk.
- Highways issues have all been reported – it was confirmed by LS that some patching up had taken place on the Morland Road and by KO that someone had been out to view the gullies opposite Eden Garage.
- The council have received a request from St James Church for a contribution towards the grass cutting in the church yard. The sum of £1000 has been requested from the parish council which is around two thirds of the total cost. As previously recorded, there is question as to whether the parish council can legally donate towards churchyard maintenance, however the PC have previously donated for a newsletter. Councillors queried whether a number of quotes for grass cutting had been received or whether volunteers had been sought. The clerk will respond with these questions in the first instance.
- There have been a number of issues regarding an aggressive dog in the village. It is believed the dog is in police care at present and unlikely to return. It was brought to the councils attention that another dog of similar breed in the village is not the same animal and is not the subject of any of the complaints
- There are still concerns regarding drug dealing in and around the village. The clerk will recontact the PCSO regarding this and has requested that any incidents get reported both to the police and the parish council so a log can be kept.

## 7. Website

The new website is now completed and went live a couple of weeks ago. There are still a few adjustments to make but it is now up and running. Training is taking place for website management for the Victory Hall etc. The parish council wishes to thank Rachel Rigg for all her hard work in what was quite a complex website build

## 8. Planning Matters

Application Number	Location	Description	Comments	Decision
22/0537	The Works, Chapel Street, Temple Sowerby	Erection of a dwelling (resubmission of application 22/0026)	<i>Objection Submitted</i>	
22/0331	Briar Croft, Temple Sowerby	<i>Outline application for single dwelling and detached garage, with all matters reserved</i>	<i>No objections, observations submitted</i>	
22/0607 & 22/0608	Linden House, Temple Sowerby	<i>Listed building consent for the retention of uPVC windows and doors, as per previous consents 03/0664 and 03/0888 and variation of condition 2 (windows and doors shall be of timber construction) for the retention of uPVC windows and doors attached to approval 03/0664</i>	<i>There is no evidence that the barns are listed however this has been submitted retrospectively by the developer. It was debated how to respond however the majority decision was not to object to the uPVC windows, although the retrospective permission was raised as a concern,as such - No Objections</i>	

22/0245	High Green House, Temple Sowerby	Listed building consent for first floor alterations including formation of 2 wardrobes, 1 ensuite WC and 2 door openings in partitions	No objections	GRANTED
22/0281	Mountain Villa, Temple Sowerby	New roof over parking area and pair of doors to form garage, and photovoltaic panels on southwest facing slated roof to garden	No objections	GRANTED
22/0344	Briar Croft, Temple Sowerby	Proposed double garage with storage over	No objections	GRANTED

## 9. Accounts & Financial Report

<b>Income:</b>	1 Crossfell View – Jun/Jul/Aug/Sept/Oct	£ 1350.00
	2 Crossfell View – Jun/Jul/Aug/Sept/Oct	£ 1600.00
	3 Crossfell View – Jun/Jul/Aug/Sept/Oct	£ 1300.00
	Parish Land Rents	£ 195.00
	United Utilities Wayleave	£ 1020.00
	EDC Jubilee Grant	£ 164.00

<b>Expenses:</b>	Countrywide (April/May)	£ 700.00
	Clerks expenses	£ 99.38
	Clerks Salary (April/May)	£ 953.34
	Jubilee Expenses	£ 173.70
	Insurance	£ 1235.24
	Internal Auditor	£ 50.00
	CALC training fees	£ 60.00
	SID batteries	£ 36.00
	CALC membership	£ 168.56
	Jubilee Expenses	£ 852.99

### Payments to authorise:

Countrywide (Jun/Jul/Aug/Sept/Oct)	£ 1400.00
Clerks expenses	£ 115.92
Clerks Salary (Jun/Jul/Aug/Sept/Oct)	£ 1906.68
ICO	£ 35.00
Defib Battery	£ 198.00
Playsaftey Ltd	£ 92.40
CALC training fees	£ 60.00
Website Build	£ 689.47
Bank Charges	£ 31.80

- The clerk updated councillors on the bank reconciliation to date
- The AGAR was confirmed as exempt by the auditors

**10. Correspondence**

- Next year is an election year and as EDC will be absorbed in to the new authority, and elections taking place within parish councils will need to be paid by the councils and therefore will need to be budgeted for
- A parishioner has kindly attended the Friends of Eden Valley Public Transport meeting – no issues to feedback
- CALC are arranging an update for parish councils on the new authorities – councillors will let clerk know if they wish to attend

Meeting closed at 8.10pm. The next meeting will be held on 8<sup>th</sup> December 2022 in the Victory Hall

Signed ..... Date .....