

Lorton Parish Council: Clerk's Progress Report September 2017

Actions on Clerk and others from previous meeting requiring further action/updates:

48.17: Upon receipt of email from school pupil the Clerk will contact Cumbria Highways and raise the concerns expressed. Done and responses received. See agenda item.

48.17: Clerk to inform Cumbria Highways that Councillors had agreed to the work being undertaken on The Pound on the understanding that the area is to be returned to its current state. Done

48.17: Clerk to arrange a meeting with Mr. Williams. Done

48.17: Motion to be on the agenda for the September meeting. Postponed until November meeting due to number of Councillor apologies received.

48.17: Clerk to contact the Compliance Officer at the LDNPA for an update re: Low Lorton property: Done and reply received.

49.17: Clerk to contact Cumbria Highways with regard to on-road parking at Whinlatter. Email sent

49.17: Cllr. Deeks to update the bench schedule: Done and copy given to David Brindle (see below)

49.17 :Clerk to ask Councillors for locations of hedges requiring attention: See below

49.17: Clerk to complete newsletter and get printed.: Done and delivered.

52.17: Clerk to report relevant issues to Cumbria Highways: Done

53.17: Clerk to send out all payments: Done and all have cleared through the account

Correspondence	For information	For action
CALC Newsletter July/August	X	
Report from Allerdale Parishes LDNPA member: July	X	
Various emails regarding highways works in Lorton	X	X
BDO: Completion of Audit paperwork	X	
Outcome of Code of Conduct complaint to Allerdale BC	X	
Various emails regarding road safety in Low Lorton	X	X
Notice of the DCC September meeting re: Croft Barn application	X	

All relevant electronic mail has been forwarded to councillors

Parish Maintenance Report:

Have now met with David Brindle, re: bench maintenance work, and he has suggested that benches 2, 8 & 9 are most in need of work. He is able to undertake the work this year and he will provide the Council with a quote for this work in time for the September meeting. He has now contacted me with a price of £250 for the maintenance and repair of three benches , 2, 8 & 9. The work will done, weather permitting, before the end of the year.

Hedges in the Parish: a number of complaints have been received regarding the need for cutting back of hedges in various parts of the Parish. In most cases it is the responsibility of the land-owner to maintain their hedges. It is understood that the Government have asked farmers and land-owners not to cut back hedges until September. Suggest that we wait until October before reporting hedges that need cutting back to Cumbria Highways.

Planning: There are no new applications to consider.

One planning application has been dealt with between meetings:

Ref: 7/2017/2179
Location: Swinside End Far, Scales, High Lorton CA13 9UA
Proposal: Roof over a livestock handling area
Reply by: 28th August 2017

A response of '**No Objections**' was sent on 23rd August..

Forthcoming Meetings: Allerdale CALC meeting: 19th September, Cockemouth town Hall at 7.00pm

Dave Smith: Clerk to Lorton Parish Council