

	<p>SP had been looking into hedge cutting. It was unclear who was responsible for which hedges. There had been clearing of the footpath around Bridge Park. The bench and planter had been tidied up and the grass cleared back. BW said that there were benches to be installed on the Jubilee Trail. JT asked what the agreement was with the church about Bridge Park. The Clerk said that an email from the vicar had confirmed that there was no agreement. JT said that we should look into this at a future meeting.</p> <p>Complaints Committee SP said that a formal complaint had been received and would be looked into.</p> <p>Staffing Committee JT said that they had a draft of the terms of reference, but that was not ready to present.</p> <p>Regen RO said that the subject of the Wath Brow to Ennerdale Bridge off road footpath was raised. There had been studies commissioned previously but he requested the support of the Parish Council to continue to pursue this.</p> <p>Hedge Cutting SP said that he had received contradictory reports over who was responsible for certain hedges. He did not want to issue the specification until this was confirmed.</p> <p>Letter to the Forestry JT had written to Forestry England regarding the parking charges. The letter could be shared on the website.</p>	<p>SP BW</p> <p>JT</p> <p>Comp Ctte</p> <p>Stff Cttee</p> <p>RO</p> <p>SP</p> <p>JC</p>
939/08/23	<p style="text-align: center;">Public Participation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bridge Park JT asked a member of the public if he would be able to offer information at the next meeting when this would be discussed. He agreed to offer the information. • Off Road Bikes. A member of the public complained that there were increasing problems with scrambler bikes but there was an inadequate response from the police. Clerk would contact the PCSO. RO suggested contacting the National Park Authority. It was also suggested to write to Forestry England and the National Trust. • Hedges. A member of the public said that it was the responsibility of the land owner to cut the inside hedge. The Parish Council had only ever cut the outside hedge. • Parking. A member of the public asked for details of item 16 on the agenda. It was explained that it related to parking on the road near The Gather. He said that it had been brought before the Council previously and thought a Councillor had an interest. 	JC
940/08/23	<p style="text-align: center;">Terms of Reference</p> <p>Items 9 & 10, terms of reference for Complaints and Staffing Committee were deferred until the next meeting.</p>	SP/JT
941/08/23	<p style="text-align: center;">Parish Enhancement Committee</p> <p>Resolved that the Parish Enhancement Committee be dissolved and the Parish Enhancement Working Group be formed instead with the same membership.</p>	

942/08/23	Scheme of Delegation to the clerk									
	Resolved The scheme of delegation for planning submitted by RO be adopted as an interim until the full scheme is submitted at the next meeting.	SP/PR								
943/08/23	Review of Website Design & Hosting									
	Resolved SP would bring a report, examples and costs to a future meeting including consideration of a shared working space and emails.	SP								
944/08/23	Delegation of Councillors to National Park Meetings									
	Resolved to delegate RO and SG to attend meetings and speak for the Council regarding the national trail.	SG/RO								
945/08/23	To agree the defibrillator hosting agreements.									
	Resolved to agree the circulated agreements and give authority to the Clerk to sign on behalf of the Council.	JC								
946/08/23	Parking Restrictions									
	Resolved To request a review of parking, pedestrian and vehicle access through the village.	JC/JT								
947/08/23	Payments for Approval									
	Resolved To approve the payments.									
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948/08/23	Finance Report									
	The current account balance was £18,754.12 not including the payments authorised at this meeting. The budget comparison document had been shared. RT asked if there was any unspent money available from budgets. JC advised that the election costs were as yet unknown and she was aware that the complaint received involved matters of a financial nature and warned that as investigations by external auditors can run into several thousands of pounds, regardless of any wrongdoing, she did not advise spending any more than was absolutely necessary until that was resolved. JT said that the money left in the defibrillator budget should be ringfenced for spares.									
949/08/23	Planning									
	<p>JT explained that there were two applications that Councillors had interests in, so the order would be changed to minimise disruption. The councillors with an interest would be allowed to make a statement as this opportunity had been open to members of the public, then they would leave the room and not participate in the debate or voting.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 7/2023/4063 Crag Farm House. Resolved to offer no objections. RO abstained. 2. 7/2023/4072 High Merebeck. Resolved to offer no objections. RO abstained 3. 7/2023/4068 Land Adjacent to Greenthwaite. SP Declared an interest in this item. He made a statement outlining a number of objections then left the room while the Council debated and voted. Resolved to object to the application and recommend refusal. A large number of reasons were given to be included in the response. RO abstained. SP was called back into the room. 4. 7/2023/4042 Standing Stones. JT Declared an interest in this item. He made a statement supporting the application then left the room while the Council debated and voted. SP took the chair 									

	during this period. Resolved to support the application as a domestic small-scale renewable solution that was sympathetic in design and was not harmful to the area. RO abstained. JT was called back into the room.	
950/08/23	<p style="text-align: center;">Councillor Matters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PR said that Chris Abbot had offered to do training on the defibrillator. He suggested training in the school could be looked at. • SG was still taking readings of the numbers from the footpath. • RM asked about Fibrus. JT had asked about Hyperfast GB & Gigabit. 24 houses would not be covered by the new infrastructure. A representative would be invited to a future meeting to provide information and answer questions. • RO said that the defibrillator from the Gather had been used but unfortunately it was not successful. JT stated that we had spare pads if they were needed. • JT had been approached by Lamplugh PC to see if we could join forces on items of a shared nature and they may attend a future meeting. 	JC
951/08/23	<p style="text-align: center;">Date of next meeting</p> <p>Resolved to bring the next meeting forward to 7th November.</p>	JC
	Members of the public left the room.	
952/08/23	<p style="text-align: center;">Confidential Matters</p> <p>Complaints Committee. There were no matters to bring to the Council at this meeting.</p> <p>Staffing Committee. JC was asked to leave the room. The Staffing Committee was uncomfortable with the interaction between a Councillor and the Clerk at the previous meeting. They did not condone the behaviour of the Councillor and proposed that the Council write to them.</p> <p>Resolved JT to write to the Councillor expressing the Council's concern at their behaviour.</p> <p>JC was called back into the room and told of the Council's decision.</p>	JT

Meeting closed at 8.50pm

Chairman's signature.....

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