

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF
CLEATOR MOOR TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY 14th May 2024 AT THE TOWN COUNCIL
OFFICE At 7.00pm.

Present:

Cllr P Burns
Cllr C Campbell
Cllr M Eldon
Cllr N Ford
Cllr D Hully
Cllr J Hully (Chair)
Cllr M Messenger
Cllr M Minogue
Cllr D Riley

Mr S Richardson.
(Clerk/Finance Officer)

17/24 Election of Chair for Council year 2024/25.

Cllr Riley nominated Cllr J Hully seconded by Cllr Ford, with no further nomination Cllr J Hully is elected as Chair for year 2024/25.

18/24 To receive the Chair declaration of acceptance of office.

Signed and received.

19/24 To appoint a Vice Chair for year 2023/24.

Cllr Eldon nominated Cllr Campbell seconded by Cllr D Hully, with no further nominations Cllr Campbell is appointed as Vice Chair for year 2024/25.

20/24 To receive apologies for absence.

None received.

21/24 To confirm representatives to other bodies within the Town.

Chamber of Trade Cllr Ford currently serving. Cllr Eldon nominated Cllr Ford seconded by Cllr Riley.

Regen North East Copeland Cllr J Hully currently serving. Cllr Eldon nominated Cllr J Hully seconded by Cllr D Hully.

Youth and Community centre Cllr Messenger currently serving. Cllr Eldon nominated Cllr Messenger seconded by Cllr Campbell.

Town Board Cllr Burns currently serving. Cllr Riley nominated Cllr Burns seconded by Cllr Ford.

Home group meetings representative Cllr Burns currently serving. Cllr Riley nominated Cllr Burns seconded by Cllr Ford.

West Cumbria site stakeholders group Cllr Campbell currently serving. Cllr Ford nominated Cllr Campbell seconded by Cllr Eldon.

22/24 To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 9th April 2024.

Resolved these be approved.

23/24 Declaration of interest on items on the agenda.

Cllr Ford declared an interest in CMCIC and Chamber of Trade. Cllr J Hully declared an interest in Regen North East Copeland. Cllr Eldon declared an interest in Cumberland Council and the Safer Streets Project.

24/24 Public/Elected officer participation.

Cllr Eldon informed members that further issues had been raised regarding the service offered by Stagecoach adding that while they had recruited some drivers they are also short of mechanics to keep the buses on the road. Conductors had been added to some of the early morning services to help with some disorder and to manage the passengers as young people using the services where standing rather than sitting giving the driver the false impression that the bus was full which would cause the driver to miss a stop when space was actually available on the bus. There was a slight delay to the start of the Ehenside forest project. Cllr Eldon informed members that he was working with Taste Cumbria to bring an event to Cleator Moor.

25/24 To review planning applications.

- 4/24/2106/OF1. Conversion of existing dwelling house to form 3 apartments 4 Todholes Road Cleator Moor. South North Group. Members raised concerns regarding extra traffic and parking on a congested street, also not directly relating to planning members raised an issue with the number of planning applications granted to this group where no progress was being made. Resolved that concerns relating to extra traffic and parking problems be forwarded to Planning. Members also requested that their concerns over the number of applications granted to this group that do not progress be raised noting that this is not a direct planning issue.

26/24 To approve revised grant funding policy and criteria.

Resolved Clerk to produce the policy formatting the application form in a similar style as the present form.

27/24 To review and approve a revised financial regulations policy.

Resolved this be approved.

28/24. To confirm renewal of CALC/NALC membership 2024/25.

Resolved membership be renewed.

29/24 ASB in Black How Forest raised by Tillhill Ltd.

Resolved Clerk to write to the Police to ask what help can be given on this issue and copy in to the relevant dept at Cumberland Council.

30/24 Parking concerns raised on Melbreak Avenue.

Resolved Clerk to write to Cumberland Highways to request an update on the resident's issues and ask what/if anything can be done to help this situation.

31/24 Cleator seasonal lights provision.

Members were informed of the cost to replace the current festoon displays and bulbs and also the potential issue regarding the cross st feature. Resolved Clerk to attain a survey of the condition of the current fixing brackets prior to any decision.

32/24 Jacktrees Road Playpark concerns.

Resolved that the Clerk will write to Cumberland Council regarding the continued ASB in the area and also the concerns regarding the two unfit litter bins which Open spaces have previously agreed to address.

33/24 To approve the D Day 80 schedule.

Resolved the Clerk will produce a schedule of timings as agreed for the evening service and beacon lighting and circulate to the Clergy and brass band for approval, the morning proclamation will be read from the steps of the council office at 8am.

34/24. Finance.

To approve a schedule of payments for May 2024.

Approved.

To note the bank reconciliation's up to end of April 2024.

Noted and approved.

35/24 Items for inclusion on the next agenda. Please note that decisions cannot be taken on these items until formally included on an agenda.

PYP grant funding application. Introduction to ISH MD Gary McKeating.

203/22. To approve the date of the next meeting to be held on the 11th June 2024 at 630pm.

Approved

Meeting closed 9.10pm.

Signed

Dated

