

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF
CLEATOR MOOR TOWN COUNCIL**

**HELD ON TUESDAY 10th December 2024 AT THE TOWN
COUNCIL OFFICE At 6.30pm.**

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

Mr S Richardson. (Clerk/Finance Officer)

305/25. To receive and accept apologies for absence.

None received.

**306/25 To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 10th
December 2024.**

Resolved that the minutes be approved and signed.

307/24 Declarations of interest of items on the agenda.

Cllr Ford declared an interest in Swallows rest Crossfield Road, CMCIC. Ish and Healthcare. Cllr Messenger declared an interest in Claire Jardine (public participation)

308/24 Applications to the Clerk for dispensations.

None received.

309/24 Public/Elected Officer participation.

Claire Jardine addressed members on the struggles local families are having accessing help for ADHD and Autism diagnosis and ongoing help with SEND, she explained the affect this was having on the mental health of those involved including family members and expressed concern that the proposed closure of

Yewdale Ward would add to a massive problem that already exists in West Cumbria.

Cllr Eldon informed the meeting that Cumberland Council intend to set up an outreach service of mental health services within the community. The Cleator Road is now reopened despite the traffic light signs. Cllr Eldon informed members that referrals to CAHMs services are very high and have risen from around 26 to 76 per week.

There is a consultation being held regarding the spend of an extra £5m available funding for bus services and Cllr Eldon urged members and public to take part specifically regarding the service 22 and the need to have this service link Whitehaven to the route recently established.

310/24 To review planning applications.

- 4/24/2388/OB1. Variation of condition 2 (access gates) and condition 3 (access drive) of planning application 4/20/2278/OB1-variation of condition 2 (site access & layout) of planning application approval 4/19/2395/OF1 erection of detached dwelling and garage. Swallows Rest Crossfield Road Cleator Moor.
- 4/20/2472/OF1 Residential development for 115 dwellings land to north of Cleator Mills Cleator. Additional and updated information.
- 4/24/2403/DOC Application to discharge conditions 4,5,17 and 18 of new S73 outline planning permission ref no 4/24/2300/OB1 land to the north of Leconfield industrial estate Cleator Moor.

- In regard to application 4/20/2472/OF1 the Council has an original objection to this application as it stands dated 12th January 2021 and raised again on 9th August 2023. The council wish to maintain their objection to this development for the reasons stated in these objections. Members reviewed application 2388 and note that highways have no objection to the proposals so raise no further issue. No issue raised for application 2403.

311/24 To discuss the possible closure of Yewdale Ward.

Resolved that the Clerk will draft a letter to the NHS trust outlining the councils concerns regarding the possible closure and ask that this be reviewed.

312/24. Prospect Play park quote.

Resolved that the quote received from Playdale for the install of a replacement toddler swing and associated groundworks be accepted with funds drawn from the agreed budget spend on Prospect Play park as agreed at the meeting of Nov 12th.

313/24. To set the dates of meetings 2025/26.

Resolved that the proposed dates be accepted.

314/24. VE day 80 planning.

Resolved the Clerk will forward to members all the proposed activities and events that the council may wish to arrange and this will be added to the January agenda

for agreement on which parts of the proposed events the council wish to undertake.

315/24. Updates from other meetings.

Cllr J Hully updated members on the RNEC meeting held earlier this afternoon.

Cllrs Eldon and Ford updated members on the Cleator Moor Celtic Drainage project that has recently been completed on the land at Church Street Cleator

316/24. Finance.

- **To approve a schedule of payments for December 2024.**
- Approved.
- **To note the bank reconciliation's up to end of November 2024.**
- Noted and approved.
- **To set the Precept requirement for 2025/26.**
- Resolved that the precept requirement be set as agreed in the November meeting budget plan maintained at the same rate as the current financial year.

317/24 Items for inclusion on the next agenda. Please note that decisions cannot be taken on these items until formally included on an agenda.

VE day 80 plans requested by Clerk. Any further items to be forwarded to the Clerk 2 weeks before the date of the next meeting.

318/24. To approve the date of the next meeting to be held on the 14th of January 2025 at 630pm.

Approved

Meeting closed 7.35pm.

Signed

Dated