**BROUGHTON MOOR PARISH COUNCIL**

**Chairman: Mr Thomas Armstrong Clerk: Rev’d J Morgan**

**Minutes of the Meeting held at 7.00pm on Thursday 21st March 2019 in Broughton Moor Community Centre**

**Present: Parish Councillors:** Thomas Armstrong, Marjorie Harrison, Paul Tweddle, Stuart Henderson.

**Allerdale Borough Councillor:** Carni McCarron-Holmes

**Parish Clerk:** Judith Morgan

**Apologies for absence** were received from County Councillor Keith Little

**105/18 Requests for Dispensations** – None.

**106/18 Declarations of Interest** – None.

**107/18 Public Section** – No members of the public were present.

**108/18 Minutes**

On the proposal of Cllr T Armstrong, seconded by Cllr P Tweddle, the minutes of the Meeting held on 28th February 2019 were approved and signed as a correct record.

**109/18 Matters Arising from the Minutes**

1. Further to Minute 95/18 The Clerk reported that data from the defibrillator should be collected weekly and forwarded to the NHS monthly, Clerk to email details to Cllr P Tweddle who agreed to do this on the council’s behalf.
2. Further to Min 98/18 the Clerk reported that Mr and Mrs S Small and Mrs D Scott had all offered to help deliver the newsletter in future. This was warmly welcomed as it will double the number of distributors, thereby halving the workload for each. Clerk to organise areas for delivery in time for the June newsletter. It was noted that Mrs Scott had stepped in to help deliver the March Newsletter, which was very much appreciated.
3. Further to Min 103/18 iii) a) the Clerk reported that several residents had come forward to identify the owner of the horse which is believed to be stabled in a domestic garage behind the houses on Wyndham Row. Further evidence is needed in order to progress this matter legally, and this is being sought.

Cllrs Armstrong and Henderson would assess the damage and determine what remedial action is still needed.

1. Further to Min 103/18 iii) b) It was reported that the rubbish was still there despite assurances from ABC that is had been removed. Clerk to report again.
2. Further to Min 103/18 iii) c) Cllr P Tweddle is keeping an eye on the situation where the resident is believed to be burning trade waste.
3. Further to Min 103/18 v) it was noted that Mr Peter Marr of Milburns’ Solicitors would be acting on this council’s behalf in negotiations with ABC. There was discussion of the proposed development of housing beyond Heatherfields and the possibility of funding from this towards the cost of new play equipment for the Welfare field.

**110/18 New Gate for Tennis Court Access** – Quote expected shortly. Agenda next meeting.

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**111/18 Parish Council Administrative Matters**

1. Nomination Papers had been circulated to existing parish councillors and to all those known to be interested in serving. Notice of election had been displayed in the Noticeboard.
2. On the motion of Cllr P Tweddle, seconded by Cllr S Henderson, the Clerk was instructed to write to ABC requesting a governmental review with the preferred option of reducing the number of seats on the council from 11 to 8.

**112/18 Planning Matters**

1. HOU/2019/0037 – Mr Ian Myers – Erection of garden fence, Beckside, Seaton Road, Broughton Moor – Clerk to respond that this council considers an 8ft 6in fence to be an unneighbourly development and wishes to support those neighbours who have already objected on these grounds.

**113/18 Community Centre**

1. An email from Mrs Jeanette Thynne of Meadowlands requesting free use of the Community Centre for her and her husband to practice dancing, was read in full and discussed. The Council, for the avoidance of doubt, reaffirmed its Lettings Policy as follows:  
   All private and/or commercial lettings are charged the standard rate of £10 per hour with a half hour ‘grace’ at the beginning and end of each booked session to allow for setting up and clearing away.  Community and charitable groups may, at the council's discretion, use the Community Centre free of charge.

Clerk to reply to Mrs Thynne informing her of this.

1. POSSElectrical to be asked to check the safety of the electric wiring following a power outage when work was being carried out recently, and to arrange a spur from the electrical switch from the boiler to be run to the main hall so that the boiler can be switched on and off from there, and the office locked. This is to improve security following a recent incident in which a visitor to the hall was attempting to break in to the locked cupboard in the office. Cllr S Henderson agreed to fix handles to the cupboard doors housing the consumer unit and electricity meter.
2. A certificate of Toilet Twinning was received – paid for by an anonymous donor - and a toilet has been provided to a poor community in Myanmar (Burma) on behalf of Broughton Moor Community Centre. Certificate to be displayed in the toilet cubicle area.

**114/18 Playing Field Inspection Report –** No new report available for this meeting.

**115/18 Jobs for the Handyman**

Second whiteboard to be affixed to the office wall. Certificate of Toilet Twinning to be affixed to the wall inside the toilet cubicle. Gutters to be cleaned out.

It was noted that the two planters had been stained and were ready for planting up, these to be placed on the circle in The Avenue.

**116/18 Correspondence**

Notice of a joint meeting of Parish Councils in Lorton Street Methodist Church, Cockermouth on Monday 25th March at 7.15pm. Cllr P Tweddle to attend. Agenda item next meeting.

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**105/18 Accounts for Payment -** The following cheques were issued:

Chq No 101591 Stephen Small Handyman £ 60.00

101592 Rev J Morgan, Salary and Exps £286.62

101593 HMRC PAYE £ 66.20

101594 E-on Gas £186.13

101595 E-on Electricity £112.40

**Date of next meeting:**

Next meeting date: Thursday 18th April, 2019 at 7.00pm

The meeting closed at 8.00pm

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