

PRESENT

Councillor Mrs. J. L. Pattinson (Chairman) (in the Chair)
Councillor M. Elliott
Councillor J. J. Harding
Councillor Mrs. C. Ridley
Councillor Mrs. M. E. Smith
Councillor Mrs. P. J. Thompson
Councillor Mrs. P. Skimming

Councillor G. R. Prest (Vice Chairman)
Councillor K. Siddle
Councillor I. A. Pennington
Councillor Mrs. V. A. Tarbitt
Councillor Mrs. J. Prest
Councillor K. T. Read-Bone
Councillor J. L. Tweddle

IN ATTENDANCE – Clerk

ALSO ATTENDING – Councillor S. Layden, Carlisle City Council and Councillor L. Fisher, Cumbria County Council.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – None

1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Councillor K. Read-Bone, seconded by Councillor K. Siddle, moved that Councillor J. L. Pattinson be re-elected to the office of Chairman of the Council

There were no other nominations therefore Councillor Pattinson was duly elected as Chairman for the next year.

2. DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE OF CHAIRMAN

Councillor Pattinson in the presence of the Council, signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office of Chairman of the Council.

Councillor Pattinson thanked the Council for showing their support to her again as Chairman of the Council.

3. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN

Councillor C. Ridley, seconded by Councillor M. Smith, moved that Councillor G. R. Prest be elected to the office of Vice Chairman of the Council

AGREED, unanimously, to the election of Councillor G. R. Prest as Vice Chairman of the Council.

4. COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION - COMMITTEE STRUCTURE AND MEMBERSHIP

There was submitted a report by the Clerk regarding the Committee structure of the Council and inviting members to consider the structure and make appointments to the Committees.

AGREED

4.1 to continue the current Committee Structure, with all Allison Bequest applications going through the Finance and General Purposes Committee; and

4.2 to approve the membership of the Standing Committees as follows:-

Property and Environment Committee - 9 Members

Councillor J. L. Pattinson (<i>ex officio</i>)	Councillor G. R. Prest (<i>ex officio</i>)	Councillor I. A. Pennington
Councillor K. T. Read-Bone	Councillor V. A. Tarbitt	Councillor J. L. Tweddle
Councillor K. Siddle	Councillor J. Prest	Councillor P. Skimming

Finance and General Purposes Committee - 8 Members

Councillor J. L. Pattinson (<i>ex officio</i>)	Councillor G. R. Prest (<i>ex officio</i>)	
Councillor C. Ridley	Councillor J. J. Harding	Councillor M. Elliott
Councillor M. E. Smith	Councillor P. J. Thompson	Vacancy

4.3 to appoint the following substitutes:-

Property and Environment Committee	Councillors M.E. Smith and P.J. Thompson
Finance and General Purposes Committee	Councillors I. Pennington and K. Siddle

5. OUTSIDE BODIES - REPRESENTATION

There was submitted a report by the Clerk detailing the outside bodies to which the Council had been invited to appoint representatives.

AGREED that the following appointments be made:-

BRAMPTON NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM (3 representatives)	Councillor J. L. Pattinson Councillor G. R. Prest Councillor K. Read-Bone
BRAMPTON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION	Councillor M. Elliott
BRAMPTON FAIR TRADE GROUP	Councillor J. J. Harding
BRAMPTON HOSPITAL LEAGUE OF FRIENDS	Councillor G. R. Prest
BRAMPTON INDOOR SWIMMING POOL PROJECT	Councillor M. Elliott
BRAMPTON TOWN TWINNING ASSOCIATION	Councillor P. Skimming
BRAMPTON YOUTH FORUM	Councillor M. Elliott
CARLISLE AREA POLICE LIAISON FORUM	Councillor V. A. Tarbitt
CARLISLE ENVIRONMENT FORUM	Councillor K. Siddle
CARLISLE PARISH COUNCILS ASSOCIATION	Councillor J. L. Pattinson Councillor C. Ridley
FOOTBALL CLUB	Councillor C. Ridley
SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES IN BRAMPTON	Councillor P. Skimming
CHAMBER OF TRADE	Councillor J. L. Pattinson Councillor G. R. Prest
BRAMPTON ECONOMIC ACTION GROUP	Councillor J. L. Pattinson

AGREED that the Clerk would write to members of the Football Clubs and ask that representatives attend the next Council meeting.

6. INSPECTION OF DEEDS AND TRUST INSTRUMENTS

A report was given by the Clerk on the deeds and trust instruments held by the Parish Council and available for inspection.

6.1 NOTED the report

6.2 APPROVED the current arrangements for custody of the Council's deeds and records.

7. MINUTES

7.1 Minute of the Meeting held on 28th April 2009 was submitted.

APPROVED.

7.2 MATTERS ARISING

7.2.1 BRAMPTON FAIRTADE GROUP (Min.241.1)

NOTED that the work on the Fairtrade flower bed at the Sands has been completed.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were submitted Minutes of Meetings of

Property and Environment Committee held on 12th May 2009

Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 12th May 2009

8.1 NOTED the Minutes.

8.2 APPROVED the recommendations for implementation

9. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 – RESIGNATION

It was reported that Mr. A. Faulds had resigned from membership of the Parish Council and that the statutory by-election advertisement had been published

9.1 NOTED the report and the publication of the statutory advertisement.

9.2 APPROVED the invitation of letters of interest from persons wishing to serve on the Parish Council should there be no call for a by-election.

9.3 NOTED that Councillor Pattinson stated that the Council were sorry to lose Mr. Faulds.

10. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

N.B. Councillor C. Ridley declared a non prejudicial interest in item 11.4 below.

11. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING - APPLICATIONS

Applications for planning consent were submitted.

AGREED to advise the appropriate Planning Authority of the Council's comments as follows:-

11.1 33 GREENCROFT, BRAMPTON – Two storey side and front extension to provide replacement garage, porch, cloakroom and kitchen to ground floor with en-suite bedroom above.

No comment

11.2 CHAPEL VIEW, MILTON, BRAMPTON – Internal alterations plus balcony over existing porch incorporating new chimney.

No comment

11.3 FIELD SITE NEXT TO CARRUTHERS TIMBER SAWMILL, BRAMPTON JUNCTION, MILTON – Erection of single storey outbuilding for use as a storage facility for JCB digger, tractor

and trailer, plant machinery and tools used for both forestry and horticultural purposes.

No comment

- 11.4 7 RIDGEVALE TERRACE, LANERCOST ROAD, BRAMPTON** – Replacement of rear velux window on north west elevation of building with new dormer window to match existing dormer on south east elevation.

No comment

- 11.5 47 BERRYMOOR ROAD, BRAMPTON** – Two storey side extension to provide kitchen, dining room and lounge on ground floor with two bedrooms (one en-suite) above together with one bedroom and shower room in existing roof space.

No comment

12. FINANCIAL MATTERS –

12.1 ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2009

There were submitted Receipts and Payments Accounts, Balance Sheet and Supporting Notes for the year ended 31st March, 2009.

12.1.1 APPROVED the Accounts, Balance Sheet and Supporting Notes as reflecting the Parish Council's financial position at 31st March 2009;

12.1.2 ACKNOWLEDGED the members' responsibility for the preparation of the Accounts; and

12.1.3 CONFIRMED that to the best of the members' knowledge and belief,

12.1.3.1 the Accounts for the year to 31st March 2009 had been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Accounts and Audit Regulations and proper accounting practice;

12.1.3.2 the Council had maintained adequate systems of internal control;

12.1.3.3 the Council had taken all reasonable steps to assure compliance with legislation;

12.1.3.4 the Council had provided proper opportunity for the exercise of electors' rights;

12.1.3.5 the Council had met the requirements of the Audit Commission as to risk assessment, adequacy and effectiveness of systems of internal audit and action on previous Audit recommendations; and

12.1.3.6 the Council had considered provision for litigation, liabilities, etc.

13. CALC

13.1 CALC CIRCULAR

The May 2009 edition of the CALC circular was submitted.

NOTED.

14. REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS

14.1 BIG GREEN MARKET

The Clerk gave a report on recent meetings of the Big Green Market. The main issues were:-

- Proposed road closure of Front Street from the Chemist to Low Cross Street from 17th-19th July
- Funding.
- Various entertainment being sought to run alongside market

14.2 APPROVED a contribution of £500.00 towards the event if an application was received in writing.

15. FOOTPATHS

15.1 SANDY LONNING FOOTPATH

15.1.1 ANNUAL PUBLIC MEETING

A letter was submitted from Mr and Mrs Davis regarding the Annual Public Meeting and the discussion of Sandy Lonning.

NOTED

15.1.2 PETITION

A petition received at Annual Public Meeting was submitted.

15.1.2.1 NOTED the petition

15.1.2.2 AGREED that the wording of the petition was disappointing.

15.1.3 GATING AT SANDY LONNING FOOTPATH

A letter from A. Nicholson, Countryside Officer, Carlisle City Council was submitted.

Councillor G. Prest stated that conflicting advice was being given from everyone spoken to regarding the matter and that everything should be passed to the Development and Control Committee at Cumbria County Council.

Councillor Pattinson stated that if inappropriate advice had been given by Carlisle City Council, perhaps they should bear some of the costs.

AGREED to refer the matter to Margaret Longworth at Cumbria County Council.

15.1.4 GATING AT SANDY LONNING FOOTPATH

A copy of a letter sent to Mr and Mrs Davis from A Nicholson, Countryside Officer, Carlisle City Council was submitted which was discussed at length.

NOTED the letter, in particular the last paragraph which states that the Sandy Lonning is a registered Public Footpath only and there are no recorded drift rights on the path.

15.2 DANDY FOOTPATH

15.2.1 MUD ON DANDY FOOTPATH

An email from Kate Allan was submitted regarding mud on the Dandy footpath.

AGREED that the caretaker would have a look at the area with the possibility of using duckboard.

16. BRAMPTON AND AREA PARISH PLANNING GROUP

Letter and notes from the previous meeting were submitted and Councillor Pattinson gave background details on the origins of the group.

16.1 NOTED the letter and notes.

16.2 AGREED to continue being involved with the planning group.

17. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

NOTED that the following correspondence had been received:-

17.1 CARLISLE PARISH COUNCIL'S ASSOCIATION – Notification of meeting from Gwen Dumbleton, CPCA Secretary.

NOTED Councillor Pattinson will attend.

17.2 CARLISLE PARISH COUNCIL'S ASSOCIATION – Notification of joint meeting from Gwen Dumbleton, CPCA Secretary.

NOTED Councillors Pattinson and Ridley will attend.

17.3 BRAMPTON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION – Invitation to public meeting from Mike Godridge, Chair of BCA and Lauren Harrison, Chair, Sustainable Brampton.

NOTED that as many Councillors as possible would attend.

17.4 EDEN RIVERS TRUST – Notification of event at River Irthing on Friday 5th June and Saturday 4th July.

17.5 FRIENDS OF TALKIN TARN COUNTRY PARK – Letter from Fiona Shipp, Talkin Tarn Country Park Manager

NOTED that the letter was discussed at length in particular that there would be a cost to the newsletter for example in Brampton alone there are approximately 1700 households. Councillor Layden had supported a permit costing £10.00 and felt that it was wrong that no-one was consulted about the sleepers. Councillor Harding stated that he questioned the management of Talkin Tarn and that a lot of parking spaces were now lost without any real improvement to the car park itself.

17.6 SKATE PARK IN BRAMPTON – Letter from Joe Pickering

AGREED after discussion that:

17.6.1 Councillor Layden would explore different angles,

17.6.2 the Clerk would contact Mark Beveridge for information regarding a similar project started a few years ago in Brampton, and,

17.6.3 the Clerk would write informing Joe Pickering that we are investigating the matter.

18. LITERATURE AVAILABLE IN OFFICE

NOTED that the following literature is available from the office for any interested Councillors:-

18.1 FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE – 1 June 2009 to 30 September 2009

18.2 RESOURCE CUMBRIA REVIEW – Issue 12 May 2009

18.3 ENERGY SAVING TRUST – Newsletter Issue 30

19. ALLOTMENT SITE, CLAY DUBBS

A request was submitted to erect a steel container instead of the permitted wooden shed on the allotment site in order to store tools.

AGREED to the siting of a steel container (8' x 20' x 8') on the site which would be screened in due course. The Clerk would inform local residents.

20. LEAGUE OF FRIENDS

NOTED a report by Councillor Ridley that due to various restrictions the League of Friends can no longer hold the Summer Garden Party at the Cottage Hospital. Councillor Pattinson has kindly offered the use of her garden for the event and all those present were welcome to attend.

21. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960 - To consider resolving, in terms of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and Standing Order No. 64, that, in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, (i.e. contract terms), it is advisable in the public interest that the public be temporarily excluded and that they be instructed to withdraw.

22. CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

A breakdown of the costs from Amey for erection of the Christmas Lights 2008 was submitted. Councillors Fisher and Layden were invited to stay in view of the documents contents.

Councillor G. Prest stated that he felt it was scandalous. Why would time and a half be paid on a Thursday? It looked as though Amey had reached a price and worked backwards. Is dropping the quote from £10,000 to £8,000 in two minutes, after the Clerk stated it was too high, how a responsible body works?

22.1 AGREED not to send the cheque the Clerk had prepared for the remaining balance as Councillor Fisher stated it would be difficult to get anything back once paid.

22.2 NOTED that the Council was concerned that if full payment was not received it may jeopardise the erection of this years lights by Amey or another approved company.

22.3 NOTED that Councillor Fisher would take up the matter on behalf of the Parish Council.

PRESENT

Councillor G. R. Prest (in the Chair)
Councillor M. Elliott
Councillor A. Faulds
Councillor K. Read-Bone

Councillor Mrs. M. E. Smith
Councillor Mrs. C. Ridley
Councillor Mrs. P. J. Thompson

IN ATTENDANCE - Clerk

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE - Councillor Pattinson

23. ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS - CHAIRMAN

Councillor C. Ridley, seconded by Councillor M. E. Smith, moved that Councillor G. R. Prest be elected to the office of Chairman of the Committee.

AGREED, unanimously, to the election of Councillor G. R. Prest as Chairman of the Committee.

24. ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS - VICE CHAIRMAN

Councillor M. E. Smith, seconded by Councillor J. Thompson, moved that Councillor C. Ridley be elected to the office of Vice Chairman of the Committee.

AGREED, unanimously, to the election of Councillor C. Ridley as Vice Chairman of the Committee.

25. MINUTE

Minute of the Meeting held on 12th May 2009 was submitted.

APPROVED.

26. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None.

27. FINANCIAL MATTERS -

27.1 BANK RECONCILIATION TO 31ST MAY 2009

There was submitted a report by the Clerk on the reconciliation of the Council's financial records with its bank and Building Society accounts statements.

NOTED the report.

27.2 IMPREST

There was submitted a report by the Clerk advising of the income received and the expenditure incurred since the last meeting through the imprest system.

NOTED

27.3 FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS

There was submitted a report by the Clerk detailing the expenditure incurred and the income received since the last report to this Committee.

27.3.1 APPROVED the expenditure of £14,835.04 detailed in the Appendix hereto

27.3.2 NOTED the income of £3,528.91 detailed in the Appendix hereto.

27.4 EXPENDITURE TO APPROVE

There was submitted a report by the Clerk detailing expenditure to approve with the addition of £132.00 to Tarn Road Nursery for compost.

APPROVED the expenditure of £2,748.21 detailed in the Appendix hereto.

28. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE – SHOWFIELD FLATS RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

There was submitted an application for financial assistance from Showfield Flats Residents Association in respect of the replacement of a boundary fence bordering Showfield car park.

AGREED to adjourn the matter until the next meeting in order that the Clerk can meet with Mr. A. Mitchell for a site visit.

29. BRAMPTON PARISH PATHS MAP

There was submitted a report by the Clerk regarding the reprint of the Brampton Parish Paths Map.

29.1 NOTED the report.

29.2 AGREED to reprint the map through Marilyn Leech (formerly of ECCP) for a cost of £709.55 for 1000.

30. MAINTENANCE CONTRACT

Details of the “Services” contained within the maintenance contract were submitted and Councillors were asked to suggest any alterations or additions.

30.1 AGREED to the following additions/amendments:-

- Empty bin at Capontree Memorial weekly
- Maintain Dandy footpath as necessary
- Sweep out bus shelters at The Sands weekly
- Maintain up the pole hanging baskets and bed in Murray Park for Cumbria In Bloom competition
- The contract should be for an initial 3 years with the option for an extra 2 if both parties are agreed.

30.2 NOTED that Councillors could give further additions or amendments at the Council meeting to be held on 30th June.

APPENDIX 1**EXPENDITURE**

£	Supplier	Detail
53.00	British Gas	Heat & Light
205.00	Carlisle City Council	Rates
82.00	Carlisle City Council	Rates
59.50	E-on	Heat & Light
30.47	Vodafone	Telephone
12.10	United Utilities	Water Rates
126.04	J Ratcliffe	Staff
296.64	P Reynolds	Staff
244.60	BT	Office
131.65	Lyreco	Office
28.00	Cumbria Playing Fields	Subscription
87.81	ABW	Moot Hall
13.50	CALC	Subscription
840.75	Cartmell Shepherd Orchard Grounds	Office & Open Spaces
633.33	Maintenance	Grass cutting
50.60	Carruthers Timber	Open Spaces
4500.00	Amey (part payment)	Christmas lights
32.81	United Utilities	Open Spaces
209.76	Premier Paper	Office
1396.85	A Riddell	Staff
400.00	Cumbria County Council	Road closure
100.00	Community Kids	Allison bequest grant
5300.63	Allianz Cornhill	Insurance
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£14,835.04		

INCOME

£	Detail	Cost centre
150.00	Market Tolls	Market
145.00	Market Tolls	Market
137.00	J. Wadhams	Cemetery
15.00	United Reformed Church	Moot Hall
15.00	Cerebral Palsy	Moot Hall
105.00	Nags Head	Pitch Fees
400.00	CPCA - grant	Moot Hall
15.00	Cumbria Tourism	Moot Hall
70.00	Co-op Monumentals	Cemetery
15.00	Talkin Tarn ARC	Moot Hall
137.00	Co-operative Funeralcare	Cemetery
892.00	Co-operative Funeralcare	Cemetery
203.63	E-on	Moot Hall
1229.28	Cumberland Building Society	Interest Received
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£3,528.91		

APPENDIX 2

£	Supplier	Detail
118.21	Brampton Skip Hire	Allotments
1909.00	R&M Lowther	Open Spaces (Mote)
73.38	Canon	Office
157.55	John Bell	Moot Hall
	Orchard Grounds	
316.67	Maintenance	Grass cutting - May
41.40	Cannon	Moot Hall
132.00	Tarn Road Nursery	Cumbria In Bloom
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<u>£2,748.21</u>		

PRESENT

Councillor K. Siddle (in the chair)
Councillor I. A. Pennington
Councillor Mrs. P. Skimming
Councillor Mrs. J. Prest

Councillor K. T. Read-Bone
Councillor G. Prest
Councillor J. L. Tweddle

IN ATTENDANCE - Clerk

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Councillors Pattinson and Tarbitt.

31. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Councillor J. Prest, seconded by Councillor Read-Bone, moved that Councillor K. Siddle be elected to the office of Chairman of the Committee.

AGREED, unanimously to the election of Councillor K. Siddle as Chairman of the Committee.

32. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN

Councillor G. Prest, seconded by Councillor J. Prest, moved that Councillor K. Read-Bone be elected to the office of Vice Chairman of the Committee.

AGREED, unanimously to the election of Councillor K. Read-Bone as Vice Chairman of the Committee.

33. MINUTE

Minute of the Meeting held on 12th May 2009 was submitted.

APPROVED.

34. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTE

34.1 KING GEORGE V PLAYING FIELD (Min. 255.2.1)

NOTED that Councillor G. Prest had contacted Elizabeth Mallinson regarding the erection of a fence by C.H.A. at King George V field and would chase the matter up. The Clerk reported that she has been requested to send copies of the original request to Riverside.

34.2 DIGGING AT THE RECREATION GROUND, GELT ROAD (Min. 259)

NOTED that there had been no further news on digging at the Recreation Ground..

35. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

NB: Councillor Skimming joined the meeting during discussion of the following item.

36. WORKING GROUPS STRUCTURE

36.1 CEMETERY WORKING GROUP

AGREED that Councillors Skimming, Read-Bone, Siddle and G. Prest would serve on the Cemetery working group.

36.2 FOOTPATHS & RIGHTS OF WAY

AGREED that Councillors Pennington, J. Prest, Read-Bone and Skimming would serve on the Footpaths & Rights of Way working group.

37. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING - APPLICATIONS

Applications for planning consent were submitted.

AGREED to advise the appropriate planning authority of this Council's comments as follows:-

37.1 ELM BANK, TREE ROAD, BRAMPTON – Two storey rear extension to provide breakfast room on ground floor with bedroom above together with single storey rear extension to provide extended dining room

No comment

37.2 KIRBY MOOR SCHOOL, LONGTOWN ROAD, BRAMPTON – Retention of temporary classroom accommodation for permanent use (renewal of condition 1 of application 06/1459)

Observations as follows:-

Not in keeping with the surrounding area, the existing building and architectural features.
If the classroom is to be permanent it should be a proper building.

38. NOTIFICATION OF DECISIONS -

A note of the decisions of the appropriate planning authority on applications on which the Committee or Parish Council had previously been consulted was submitted.

38.1 NOTED

38.2 AGREED to inform the enforcement officer at Carlisle City Council's planning department that one of the planning conditions for the Co-operative store was that posts were to remain in position unless there was a delivery. This condition is being breached on a regular basis and Councillors are concerned that this could lead to an accident.

39. TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE – A6071 Irthing Bridge, Brampton,

A letter from Cumbria Highways was submitted regarding the temporary road closure of the A6071 at Irthing Bridge, Brampton from 29th June for two weeks.

NOTED

40. CUMBRIA MINERALS & WASTE DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK

A letter from Richard Evans, Principal Planning Officer was submitted inviting comments on the Development Framework's Site Allocations Policies and what should be shown on its Proposals Map.

AGREED that the Clerk should write back confirming that the Parish Council has no comments to make at the present time.

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Councillor Mrs. C. Ridley	Councillor Mrs. V. A. Tarbitt
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Councillor Mrs. P. J. Thompson	Councillor K. T. Read-Bone
Councillor Mrs. P. Skimming	Councillor J. L. Tweddle
Councillor I. A. Pennington	

IN ATTENDANCE – Clerk

ALSO ATTENDING – Councillor S. Layden, Carlisle City Council, Councillor L. Fisher, Cumbria County Council.
Inspector N. Thomson and P.C. A. Owen

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Councillor Harding

41. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

42. MINUTES

42.1 MINUTE

Minute of the Meeting held on 26th May 2009 was submitted.

APPROVED.

42.2 MATTERS ARISING

42.2.1 BRAMPTON FOOTBALL CLUB (Min. 5)

NOTED that members Mr. D. Charlton and Mr. P. Mitchinson were currently on holiday and would attend the meeting in July to give an update on the changing rooms at King George V field.

42.2.2 FRIENDS OF TALKIN TARN (Min. 17.5)

NOTED a report from Councillor Pattinson that there had been a media launch regarding the Friends of Talkin Tarn Group. Councillor Pattinson had received several complaints regarding the car park and the installation of railway sleepers; these concerns would be passed to Carlisle City Council.

42.2.3 BRAMPTON COTTAGE HOSPITAL LEAGUE OF FRIENDS (Min. 20)

NOTED a report by Councillor Pattinson that the recent garden party held in aid of the League of Friends had been a success and had raised approximately £1,300.00 profit.

42.2.4 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS (MIN. 22)

NOTED a report by Councillor Fisher that officers and members of Cumbria County Council were actively looking into the queries raised regarding the cost of the erection of the Christmas lights by Amey. Amey's debt collector had telephoned Councillor Fisher regarding the matter although a substantial amount had already been paid.

43. COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were submitted Minutes of Meetings of

Property and Environment Committee held on 16th June 2009
Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 16th June 2009

43.1 NOTED the Minutes.

43.2 APPROVED the recommendations for implementation

44. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 – FILLING OF VACANCY

There were submitted letters expressing an interest in membership of the Parish Council from Mrs. S. Lewsley and Prof. J. D. Hendry. Mrs. S. Lewsley attended the meeting.

Councillor Ridley seconded by Councillor Read-Bone proposed a signed ballot.

AGREED, following a signed ballot, to co-opt Mrs. Stella Lewsley to membership of the Parish Council.

45. POLICE REPORT

Inspector N. Thomson introduced himself to members and explained that he also covered Longtown and Dalston and was keen to work together with the community. Inspector Thomson explained about the government driven initiative for the “policing pledge” and that he would forward all relevant documentation to the Clerk for circulation. Details of the pledge were also available on the police website.

P.C. Owen gave a brief update and highlighted that with the likelihood of good weather during the summer, the police would be looking closely at licensing and related behaviour for example using plastic glasses when drinking outdoors. A new PCSO would commence work in July and engagement with William Howard School has helped to keep youth disorder down. There was very little to report regarding crime in the area, however members of the public should be mindful of shed break-ins at this time of year.

On the website (www.cumbriapolice.co.uk) crime mapping is put out every month.

Councillor Pattinson detailed complaints received regarding behaviour late at night when people were leaving the Nags Head and urinating on newspapers at the nearby Spar. Councillor Pattinson asked whether another cctv camera in the area would help.

P.C. Owen reported that a recent incident had raised issues with blackspots in the area. The actual camera itself wasn't too costly however the wiring for a camera was. P.C. Owen would speak to local business owners and would ask that incidents be reported directly to the police.

NOTED the report.

46. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Four members of the public attending the meeting declined to speak at this opportunity and stated that they would rather speak at the relevant agenda item.

47. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING - APPLICATIONS

Applications for planning consent were submitted.

AGREED to advise the appropriate Planning Authority of the Council's comments as follows:-

47.1 1-14 ALLASON CLOSE, BRAMPTON - Erection of TV aerial to roof of flats, aerial to be positioned over flats 5 & 6 (retrospective)

No comment

47.2 1-21 WEST HILL HOUSE, ST. MARTINS DRIVE, BRAMPTON – reconfiguration of existing

bedsits/flats to provide 12 flats and 2 houses; including the erection of entrance porches, two storey extensions to both side elevations and alterations to positioning of window openings.

No comment

48. REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS

48.1 BRAMPTON AND AREA PARISH PLANNING GROUP

NOTED a report from Councillor Ridley on a recent meeting of the Brampton and Area Parish Planning Group. The group want each Parish to look through its Parish Plan and let the group know of any changes at the next meeting. Things were difficult with the Brampton Parish Plan with the indecision regarding the new health centre; however additional parking was a definite requirement.

48.2 BIG GREEN MARKET

The Clerk gave a report on recent meetings of the Big Green Market covering the main areas of the road closure and entertainment. A formal letter for funding was submitted.

APPROVED a contribution of £500.00 towards the event.

48.3 CARLISLE PARISH COUNCIL'S ASSOCIATION

NOTED a report by Councillor Pattinson on a recent joint meeting of the Carlisle Parish Council's Association with Carlisle City Council. A new post of Director of Tourism had been created and filled. Councillor Pattinson pointed out that the Deputy Chief Executive wouldn't answer any questions.

48.4 BRAMPTON ECONOMIC ACTION GROUP

NOTED a report by Councillor Pattinson on a recent meeting of the Brampton Economic Action Group. The Group included members from Chamber of Trade, Parish Council, City Council, Sustainable Brampton and the Community Association. An Action Plan for the future was being drawn up after public consultation had taken place with the main issue being parking. The Group was looking to move things forward and were advertising for the post of Chairman.

48.5 WILLIAM HOWARD SCHOOL, YEAR 7 CITIZENSHIP

NOTED a report by the Clerk on her recent attendance at William Howard School where Year 7 pupils gave various presentations on what they wanted to see in their local area. The idea of a skatepark kept cropping up and ended up being the main item of discussion. The Clerk had invited pupils and Mrs. Cheeseman from William Howard School to the next Property and Environment meeting where the matter could be discussed further.

49. CALC

49.1 CALC CIRCULAR

The June 2009 edition of the CALC circular was submitted.

NOTED.

50. CLAY DUBBS ALLOTMENT SITE, GELT ROAD

A letter from Lisa Alexander was submitted requesting permission for a compost toilet at the Clay Dubbs allotment site.

50.1 NOTED the letter.

50.2 AGREED that there was a need for a toilet however, further information was required regarding siting etc before a decision could be made.

51. FOOTPATHS

51.1 SANDY LONNING FOOTPATH

A letter from Mr. and Mrs. Davis demanding an independent inquiry and the resignation of those involved in the amended police letter and a copy of a letter to Mr. and Mrs. Davis from Guy Richardson at CALC regarding the aforementioned were submitted.

Members of the public in attendance at the meeting were invited to speak.

Mr. N. Davis stated that they had asked the questions and wanted the answers.

Dr. Peers stated that they wanted to know who did it and when was the gate going to be moved.

Councillor Pattinson stated that an internal meeting had taken place with herself, the Vice-Chairman, P.C. Owen and the Clerk after receiving a letter from Mr. and Mrs. Davis. Councillor Pattinson informed the meeting that the Clerk would give a full report on matters relating to the erection of a kissing gate at Sandy Lonning footpath.

The Clerk gave a chronological verbal report lasting almost 20 minutes regarding the siting of a kissing gate at Sandy Lonning footpath including all answers to questions raised by members of the public. (Appendix 1)

51.1.1 NOTED the submitted letters

51.1.2 NOTED the report by the Clerk

N.B. Prior to discussion of the following item, members of the public were asked to leave the meeting after interrupting the Chairman on several occasions from continuing the meeting.

51.2 HA HA LONNING

The Clerk submitted a report along with an email from Andrew Nicholson regarding the proposal for erecting a kissing gate at the start of Ha Ha Lonning near Brampton Cemetery.

51.2.1 NOTED the report and email

51.2.2 AGREED, after discussion, to write to Councillor Layden and the Neighbourhood Forum for funding for a gate

51.2.3 AGREED to check whether there were further stiles in the area.

52. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

NOTED the following correspondence had been received: -

52.1 CADET 150 TREE PLANTING PROJECT – Email from Guy Richardson

52.2 BTCV AND CONSERVATION WORK – Email from Graham Sullivan

AGREED that the Clerk would speak to Mr. Sullivan with the possibility of work being done on the footpaths and walls at The Mote.

52.3 BRAMPTON AND DISTRICT NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM – Notification and Agenda of next meeting

52.4 TALKIN TARN HOTEL WORKS – Email from David Coates

AGREED that the Clerk would inform the enforcement officer about the destruction of trees around the hotel.

53. LITERATURE AVAILABLE FROM CLERK

NOTED that the following literature is available from the Clerk for any interested Councillors:-

53.1 LOCAL COUNCIL REVIEW – Summer 2009

53.2 FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE – 1 JULY to 31 OCTOBER 2009

54. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960 - To consider resolving, in terms of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and Standing Order No. 64, that, in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, (i.e. contract terms), it is advisable in the public interest that the public be temporarily excluded and that they be instructed to withdraw.

55. EXCHANGE OF LAND AT OLD CHURCH LANE, BRAMPTON

A letter from Cartmell Shepherd solicitors was submitted regarding the exchange of land at Old Church Lane, Brampton.

55.1 NOTED the letter

55.2 AGREED to continue with the exchange per the plans provided.

56. REVIEW OF GROUNDS MAINTENANCE CONTRACT

Councillor Prest recapped the additions to the Grounds Maintenance Contract agreed at an earlier Finance and General Purposes meeting. The wording “as necessary” was explained that this made matters more flexible for the Parish Council.

56.1 AGREED to include the following in the contract

- strimming of the footpath at Millfield/Lovers Lane as necessary
- strimming of the grassed area at St. Martins Church as necessary

56.2 AGREED to inform Carlisle City Council that the Parish Council would also be strimming the grassed area at St. Martins Church as it was not being done regularly enough by the City Council.

56.3 AGREED that a final review of the contract would be on the Agenda for the next Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting with the authorisation to advertise the contract in the Cumberland News if everything is agreed.

56.4 AGREED that the Clerk would inform the Highway Steward of weeds in the town and that the footpath to Talkin Tarn needed cut more frequently.

SANDY LONNING CYCLE/FOOT PATHS

On Thursday 24th July 2008, an anonymous letter was received regarding the cyclepath and footpath at Sandy Lonning. It read as follows: see attachment 1

2 messages were left on the office phone regarding the same complaint and a verbal report from a resident was received.

I contacted Andrew Nicholson from ECCP and arranged a site visit. While waiting for Mr. Nicholson a push bike came down the Sandy Lonning footpath which was witnessed by both of us.

We looked firstly at the Sandy Lonning footpath where you could quite clearly see tyre marks from a motorbike, as they were much larger than a pushbike. At this point Mr. Nicholson gave the Parish Council permission to erect a kissing gate in place of the wooden posts at the Sandy Lonning footpath. We then walked around to the Sandy Lonning cyclepath where again, you could quite clearly see that a car had been using the cyclepath as the tyre marks were very visible and a small lump of tarmac which had been situated alongside the wooden posts had been moved out of the way. We decided that a large boulder or concrete posts would probably be best to deter vehicles from accessing the cyclepath, however Mr. Nicholson couldn't give permission for this so he said he would find out who I needed to ask. At no point did Mr Nicholson mention any consultation requirements nor did the Parish Council have any record that this was the legal access to any property.

On the 28th July Andrew Nicholson emailed the Parish Council twice to ultimately confirm that Sustrans maintained the cycle route and had given us permission to place a boulder. On a reply to these emails I confirmed to him that I had received a phone call from PC Anita Owen from Brampton Police Station that morning regarding the complaints.

PC Owen had rang the office and while discussing the matter, confirmed that the police had also received the same letter as the Parish Council regarding mis-use of the cycle path and footpath and in addition, two members of the public had actually been into the police station to complain. PC Owen confirmed that the police were monitoring the situation but couldn't catch anyone as there were too many escape routes. I explained what the Parish Council were doing and where and she agreed that this action was a good idea and would support us by writing a letter. At that time I assumed we were both talking about the same paths and posts. There was no mention of Mr and Mrs Davis.

PC Owen emailed the office at 16.29 on 29th July, the email reads (see attachment 2) I then read the attached letter (see attachment 3) To me the letter didn't make sense and was factually incorrect, it only dealt with half the complaint and the preventative measures recommended were not what had been discussed or what we had agreed with Andrew Nicholson and Sustrans. It did not mention a car but said that the motorbike was being used on the cyclepath when actually the bike was on the footpath and the car on the cyclepath. I tried to ring PC Owens mobile number but it was switched off, so, as she had given permission in her email and the meeting was that night, I altered the letter to read as follows (see attachment 4).

The complaints were reported to the Parish Council that night and again at an extraordinary meeting of the Property and Environment Committee on 12th August. It was agreed to proceed with placing the boulder and erecting the kissing gate. It was also around this time that allotment provision in Brampton became a priority and work on the cemetery extension was picking up.

The work on the paths was completed in January 2009 which is when the matter of access by Mr and Mrs Davis along the footpath to their property. Lonnings End, with their horse and donkey came to light.

When this happened, PC Owen came into the office looked at the amended letter and signed it. PC Owen confirmed that she hadn't looked at the Sandy Lonning footpath initially and had been mistaken as to where she thought it was and thought that perhaps the kissing gate on the Blackpath was the kissing gate that had been referred to. The replacement of wooden posts by a gate, she thought had referred to those on the cyclepath but maintained that the original complaint received by the police referred to both the footpath and cyclepath. PC Owen on realising where the Sandy Lonning footpath was agreed with the work we had done there in trying to prevent mis-use of the path. The written complaint and verbal complaints received by PC Owen were never logged.

Copies of the above letters, emails, minutes from meeting, details of sequence of events were sent on request to Mr and Mrs Davis' solicitor. The amended police letter was not circulated to anyone without PC Owens signature but on review by the Chief Inspector it has been withdrawn.

During January many letters, emails and phone calls were received from Mr and Mrs Davis' solicitor, Dr Peers and Jeremy Melling. There were also several letters from other individuals living in the area of Sandy Lonning one of which was withdrawn. Some were dealt with by me, some by the Chair as I had broken my wrist at the time.

Approx 23/1/09, after speaking to Richard Heyward, Area Engineer, he confirmed that the Sandy Lonning is owned by the Dept. of Transport and is a public footpath so unless the Davis' have permission from them they should not be using the path with their horse and donkey.

The Councils contractors Cut n' Edge also reported Mr Davis using a small vehicle along the footpath, they had to push Mr Davis as he had got stuck at the bottom of the footpath. The contractors also reported several incidences of vandalism to the kissing gate which were photographed and reported to the police.

Mr Ian Bullough visited the office with a copy of a letter he had received from Mr and Mrs Davis. Mr Davis explained in the letter that he had checked on the Land Registry website and that according to his solicitors' interpretation of the plan that Mr. Bulloughs family were still the owners and that he had subsequently spoken to Mr. Bullough about buying the footpath. Mr Bullough was concerned about the situation and felt that his family did not own the footpath and I confirmed with him that according to Richard Heyward they didn't the Dept of transport did.

In an email dated 12th February 2009 to County Councillor Lawrence Fisher, Richard Heyward explained that part of the Sandy Lonning footpath had been reconstructed following the building of the bypass in 1990. This was a footpath and therefore there were no bridle or vehicular passage rights over it.

The situation rumbled on with the Parish Council still being told this was a footpath not a bridlepath, some letters of support coming in one in particular that the area was now much quieter with no occupied cars parked at the substation and no motorcycles being heard either at the substation or on the paths. However, Mr and Mrs Davis still had concerns about their access.

On April 22nd there was a site meeting at Sandy Lonning with Andrew Nicholson, Councillor Steve Layden, Judith Pattinson and myself. While at the site discussing the kissing gate, again, a cyclist came down the footpath.

After discussing the matter of access further with the Chairman, I looked at the Land Registry website for the title deeds for the following properties, Brackenfell, Gelt Fell and Lonnings End in order to ensure that we had not blocked anyone's legal access. (done by debit card as the council don't have one, my own was used & I was reimbursed). A relevant piece of information contained within the title to Lonnings End states that the strip of land shown on the plan is dedicated as a public footpath for the use of the public forever, this is the Sandy Lonning running from the entrance to Lonnings End towards Quarry Lane. The title deeds were taken to the Council's solicitors who suggested I ask for further information regarding to title CU43737 and a conveyance dated 5th November 1996. As only the Chairman was available and 2 signatures are required on Parish Council cheques, a personal cheque was sent as we needed any relevant information for the Annual public meeting.

The request was received by the Land Registry who stated that all relevant information was contained with the title deed, however the Land Registry used the wrong return address and sent it to Mrs Allison T Riddell, Sandy Lonning, Capon Tree Road the week before the public meeting. At the public meeting Mr Rob Grant was in receipt of this letter and this was handed to myself at the end of the meeting by Mrs Grant. The letter although NOT addressed to Mr or Mrs Grant or to their address of Gelt Fell had been opened and withheld until the annual meeting. I understand that this is actually a criminal offence.

At the beginning of April I received a phone call from Ms Angie Findon the editor at BIG magazine stating that a female had rang her twice regarding the Parish Council news in the March/April edition of the magazine. The female declared that the Parish Council were liars there had been no vandalism at Sandy Lonning or The Mote, that the police had no logs for any of this and why didn't the editor check what she put into her magazine. Ms Findon had explained to the caller that she didn't check any contributions to the magazine other than for spelling, all information was the responsibility of the person or business contributing, she also informed the caller that she was actually aware of vandalism at The Mote as she had reported it. The Parish Council are not liars. The vandalism at the Sandy Lonning has crime reference number NR0901135 and the Council has photographs of the damage, the vandalism at The Mote has logs numbered 65B131108 and 175B211108, the PCSO at the time also witnessed youths attempting to throw one of the benches at The Mote onto the road. The caller hadn't withheld their number it was 016977 42387 which is the business number for pedal pushers owned by Mr and Mrs Davis.

Prior to the Annual meeting, PC Owen had informed the Chairman, myself and Inspector O'Connor that during a phone conversation with Mr Melling of Brackenfell, Capon Tree Road, he had stated that while cutting the grass last summer, he had found a bag he thought was possibly drug related. This had not been reported to the police.

A further letter was received from Mr and Mrs Davis shortly after the public meeting unhappy at the Councils attitude and felt that there was some kind of cover up by the Council and the police. They also stated that the gate at Sandy Lonning footpath was erected under false pretences with no substantiating evidence from the police.

A petition had been handed in at the annual meeting with wording that "the residents of Sandy Lonning have every right to access their properties by car, cycle or motorbike".

Although to that point nothing had been found regarding access onto Quarry Lane, still concerned that the Parish Council may have been blocking access to properties, the planning application for revised access to two properties on land adjacent Brackenfell (which ultimately includes Lonnings End) was requested. The number is 91/1073.

The application states thatTHE PROPOSED ACCESS WOULD LINK VIA SANDY LONNING ONTO PART OF THE FORMER CAPON TREE ROAD WHICH HAVING BEEN SEVERED BY THE BRAMPTON BYPASS, IS NOW A QUIET CUL-DE-SAC SERVING ONLY ONE OTHER PROPERTY. THE CUL-DE-SAC JOINS THE IMPROVED CAPON TREE ROAD AT A JUNCTION FORMED BY THE HIGHWAY AUTHORITY TO THE REQUISITE STANDARDS WITH EXCELLENT VISIBILITY BEING PROVIDED FROM AND OF THAT JUNCTION IN EACH DIRECTION. There is no mention of access onto Quarry Lane.

This original application asked for access to two properties however subsequently the access to the second property "The Stables" was not used as an alternative access was formed via Brackenfell.

There are several letters of objection included with this planning application from neighbours, the Parish Council and ECCP. Two letters at the time from a Mrs Brown of Beresford Capon Tree Road, and Mrs Clark of Beechwood, Capon Tree Road mention that there has never been any access to Brackenfell land from Sandy Lonning and that the present occupant or persons using the land for their horses cut the wire fence bordering this land and a wooden pallet tied with string to allow a horse onto the land. When new fences were erected after the construction of the bypass a new gate was put in – who gave permission for that?

The land mentioned is the paddock next to Lonnings End owned by Mr and Mrs Davis. This is where they walked their horse and donkey down to Quarry Lane.

I checked Council records but there was no information regarding approval of this access. I spoke to the previous owner of the property Mr McKnight who said that he had put the gate in without any permission and that he had erected the wooden gate crossing the public footpath near to the entrance of Lonnings End also without permission to stop motorbikes using the footpath.

Richard Heyward confirmed that planning permission for the paddock gate should have been applied for. I have spoken at length to Ian Short, Enforcement Officer, Carlisle City Council, who is unclear whether permission would have been required or not but that this is a dedicated public footpath and that from the access at Lonnings End to Quarry Lane there are no vehicle or bridle rights over it for anybody.

Notices have been put up on the gate to the footpath at the entrance to Lonnings End by Mr and Mrs Davis. The first said Private Land, vehicle access strictly for landowner, Davis Sandy Lonning. The next said Private Land. A Mrs Roberts came into the office concerned that the public were no longer allowed to walk along the footpath I then removed the notices. Placing misleading notices without lawful authority or reasonable excuse is an offence under Highways Act 1980 s132. There is still a notice saying Keep Clear Access at all times which will be reported.

Currently, Andrew Nicholson has withdrawn his permission for the kissing gate and the Parish Council is writing to the County Council regarding the matter to ask that the matter is reviewed by a committee in order to draw it to a close, although we are still waiting for full details of the programme of works following construction of the by pass from the Highways Department.

The Parish Council erected the kissing gate at the Sandy Lonning footpath following complaints from residents living in Brampton and involvement from the local police. The Council were trying to ensure public safety while using the footpath. Further to the erection of the gate it was brought to the Council's attention that a small child was almost hit by a vehicle on Quarry Lane exiting the footpath on a bike too quickly. Other walkers have also said the gate stops a child running down the footpath and into the road.

At no time have I as Clerk to the Parish Council lied or set out to deceive or mislead anyone. The gate was not erected under false pretences; however, harassment of those supporting the gate, verbal and physical assaults on Councillors and abusive phone calls left at the office will not be tolerated any longer. On a personal note, Mr Davis has on occasions been very intimidating while visiting the Council offices on others he has been fine, however, comments made in this particular letter and others that have been circulated to Carlisle City Council and the police

appear to be more of a personal nature rather than relating to the actions and business of the PC. Whilst it is up to the PC what to do about criticism both justified and unjustified I feel absolutely free to take whatever action, including legal action, I deem appropriate or necessary, without prior reference to or discussion with the PC where I feel that comments are malicious, vindictive and of a personal nature.

PRESENT

Councillor G. R. Prest (in the Chair)
Councillor M. Elliott
Councillor Mrs. S. Lewsley

Councillor J. J. Harding
Councillor Mrs. J. Thompson
Councillor I. Pennington

IN ATTENDANCE - Clerk

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Councillors Ridley, Smith and Pattinson

57. MINUTE

57.1 Minute of the Meeting held on 16th June 2009 was submitted.

APPROVED.

57.2 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None

58. FINANCIAL MATTERS -

58.1 BANK RECONCILIATION TO 30TH JUNE 2009

There was submitted a report by the Clerk on the reconciliation of the Council's financial records with its bank and Building Society accounts statements.

NOTED the report.

58.2 IMPREST

There was submitted a report by the Clerk advising of the income received and the expenditure incurred since the last meeting through the imprest system.

NOTED

58.3 FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS

There was submitted a report by the Clerk detailing the expenditure incurred and the income received since the last report to this Committee.

58.3.1 APPROVED the expenditure of £12,254.35 detailed in the Appendix hereto

58.3.2 NOTED the income of £854.75 detailed in the Appendix hereto.

58.4 EXPENDITURE TO APPROVE

There was submitted a report by the Clerk detailing expenditure to approve.

APPROVED the expenditure of £13,488.42 detailed in the Appendix hereto.

59. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

59.1 SHOWFIELD FLATS RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

There had previously been submitted an application for financial assistance from Showfield Flats Residents Association regarding the replacement of a fence bordering Showfield car park. The Clerk had a site meeting with Mr. A. Mitchell from the Association who confirmed that the whole of the fence was to be replaced and that the work was due to be done within two weeks.

Councillor Pennington stated that a local resident had pointed out the dangerous state of the retaining wall at the car park to the left of the steps at Howard Arms Lane.

AGREED to leave a decision on financial assistance for the Association until after a structural engineer had looked at the retaining wall at Showfield car park and gave a decision on any work required.

60. OLD MEMORIALS, ST. MARTIN'S CHURCH, BRAMPTON

The Clerk reported that no other firms had shown any interest in pricing for the work required to the headstones at St. Martin's church other than Beatties with a cost of £3436.91.

AGREED that Beatties should do the necessary work.

61. CUT N' EDGE MAINTENANCE CONTRACT

NOTED that the annual maintenance contract with Cut n' Edge has been increased to £39,936.00 from £38,724.00 in accordance with the indexation calculation.

62. MAINTENANCE CONTRACT

There was submitted a report by the Clerk regarding the finalisation of services to be included within the maintenance contract due for renewal on 1st April 2010.

Councillor G. Prest gave background details to the maintenance contract and explained that this committee had been given authority to finalise the matter. Councillor G. Prest further explained that the Parish Council do not have to accept the lowest tender submitted but, in his own view, should accept the best value for money.

62.1 NOTED the report

62.2 AGREED to include "the removal of ragwort from Parish Council land as necessary" in the contract

62.3 AGREED to place an advert in the Cumberland News inviting applications from suitably qualified and experienced grounds maintenance contractors wishing to be considered for the Term Contract for Grounds Maintenance 2010-2013. Those interested would be informed that returns would have to be in by September in time for consideration at that month's Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting.

Expenditure

£	Supplier	Detail
234.00	British Gas	Heat & Light
205.00	Carlisle City Council	Rates
82.00	Carlisle City Council	Rates
62.72	United Utilities	Water rates
59.50	E-on	Heat & Light
34.35	Vodafone	Telephone
3226.37	Cut n' Edge	Grounds Maintenance - May
3226.37	Cut n' Edge	Grounds Maintenance - June
427.10	Brampton Utility Society	Office
11.04	Barclays Bank	Charges
191.64	J Ratcliffe	Staff
249.20	P Reynolds	Staff
100.00	Petty Cash	Office
118.21	Brampton Skip Hire	Allotments/Open Spaces
1909.00	R & M Lowthers	Open Spaces
73.38	Canon	Office
157.55	J. Bell	Moot Hall
41.40	Cannon	Moot Hall
316.67	Orchard Grounds Maintenance	Grass cutting
132.00	Tarn Road Nursery	Brampton In Bloom
1396.85	A Riddell	Staff
£12,254.35		

Income

£	Detail	Cost centre
200.00	Market Tolls	Market
170.00	Market Tolls	Market
15.00	Stroke Club	Moot Hall
15.00	P. Broll	Moot Hall
15.00	Women In Business	Moot Hall
100.00	P. Ivinson	Cemetery
41.00	Co-op Monumentals	Cemetery
15.00	Federation of W.I.	Moot Hall
283.75	Cartmell Shepherd	Clay Dubbs
£854.75		

Expenditure to approve

£	Supplier	Detail
248.88	Business Finance Solutions	Office - copier
431.50	Tarn Road Nursery	Brampton In Bloom
63.32	ABW	Moot Hall & Bloom
316.67	Orchards Grounds Mnce	Grass cutting
39.96	United Utilities	Water at allotments
30.49	Rowntree electrical	Moot Hall
287.50	Playdale	Playground Inspections
33.16	E-on	Xmas Lights
58.25	E-on	Xmas Lights
11758.69	Farish Groundworks	Murray Park & Mote
100.00	Mr. B. Wilkinson	Winner of garden competition
120.00	Cumbria Lift n' Shift	Clay Dubbs Allotments
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£13,488.42		

PRESENT

Councillor K. Siddle (in the chair)
Councillor I. A. Pennington
Councillor Mrs. P. Skimming

Councillor G. Prest
Councillor Mrs. V. Tarbitt

IN ATTENDANCE – Clerk

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Councillors, J. Prest, Read-Bone, Pattinson and Twedde

63. MINUTES

63.1 MINUTE

Minute of the meeting held on 16th June 2009 was submitted.

Approved

63.2 MATTERS ARISING

None

64. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

65. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING - APPLICATIONS

No applications for planning consent were submitted.

66. NOTIFICATION OF DECISIONS -

A note of the decisions of the appropriate planning authority on applications on which the Committee or Parish Council had previously been consulted was submitted.

NOTED.

67. SKATEPARK PROPOSAL

Joe Pickering attended the meeting along with his father and gave a presentation on why a skatepark was needed in Brampton that would be suitable for both beginners and intermediate users. Possible site locations were Murray Park, Irthing Park or King George V field. Joe had also been doing surveys of children attending William Howard School and asking their opinions on a skatepark in Brampton. The surveys were submitted to the Council. Facilities of similar parks in Carlisle and Penrith were also discussed.

The Clerk reported that Councillor Steve Layden, Carlisle City Council, had submitted details of costings for a skatepark in Carlisle which were in excess of £80,000.00. Councillor Layden had also stated that a portable skatepark was available for use and could be sited at Union Lane car park.

Councillor G. Prest proposed that we investigate the use of the portable skate park as soon as possible.

AGREED, after further discussion, to ask Councillor Layden that the portable skatepark be sited at Union Lane car park as soon as possible with the Cumberland News being informed of the dates when known

PRESENT

Councillor G. R. Prest (Vice Chairman) (in the Chair)	Councillor K. Siddle
Councillor M. Elliott	Councillor Mrs. P. Skimming
Councillor J. J. Harding	Councillor I. A. Pennington
Councillor Mrs. C. Ridley	Councillor Mrs. V. A. Tarbitt
Councillor Mrs. M. E. Smith	Councillor Mrs. J. Prest
Councillor Mrs. P. J. Thompson	Councillor K. T. Read-Bone

IN ATTENDANCE – Clerk

ALSO ATTENDING – Councillor S. Layden, Carlisle City Council and Councillor L. Fisher, Cumbria County Council.
Inspector N. Thompsen, Brampton Police Station

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Councillors Pattinson and Tweddle

68. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Tarbitt declared a non-prejudicial interest in item 81.1
Councillor Fisher declared an interest in item 74.2

NOTED

69. MINUTES

69.1 MINUTE

Minute of the Meeting held on 30th June 2009 was submitted.

APPROVED.

69.2 MATTERS ARISING

69.2.1 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS (Min.42.2.4)

NOTED that the remainder of the bill from Amey regarding erection of the Christmas Lights would have to be paid in full. Councillor Fisher had spoken with members of Cumbria County Council who confirmed that they had a contract with Amey and were more expensive than Carlisle City Council and that there is nothing that can be done.

69.2.2 TALKIN TARN HOTEL WORKS (Min. 52.4)

NOTED that nothing had been reported back from the enforcement officer regarding a complaint received about the destruction of trees at Talkin Tarn Hotel.

69.2.3 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (Min 46)

Councillor Tarbitt suggested that public participation at meetings should be explained under that particular Agenda item in that members of the public should note that if they decline to speak under this Agenda item they cannot speak at any other point unless invited to do so by the Chairman.

69.2.4 GROUNDS MAINTENANCE CONTRACT (Min. 56)

NOTED that an invitation for tenders for the Grounds Maintenance Contract had been advertised in the Cumberland News and that six people had expressed an interest.

70. COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were submitted Minutes of Meetings of

Property and Environment Committee held on 14th July 2009
Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 14th July 2009

70.1 NOTED the Minutes.

70.2 APPROVED the recommendations for implementation

70.4 NOTED that further to the F&GP Committee meeting, the Clerk reported that the wall at Showfield car park had been investigated by Chris Reid from Carlisle City Council who was recommending that the wall should be dismantled and rebuilt at an estimated cost of £2,500 - £3,000. The matter would be referred to the next F&GP meeting in September.

70.5 NOTED that further to the P&E Committee meeting, although the Clerk had phoned and emailed Councillor Layden regarding a temporary skatepark in Brampton no reply had been received. Councillor Layden explained he had been away and that there would be a meeting towards the end of the week.

71. FOOTBALL CHANGING ROOMS

NOTED that no members of the Committee were in attendance to give an update on the football changing rooms.

72. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

73. HORSE RIDING IN GELT WOODS

A report was submitted by the Clerk on permitting horse riding in Gelt Woods. Horse riders would have to apply to the Parish Council, wear a numbered tag and follow the set rules.

73.1 NOTED the report and that the following rules would have to be followed:

- 1 – Horses to give priority to walkers at all times
- 2 – Riders to wear bright clothing and to shout a warning when approaching from the rear
- 3 – No galloping, be in control of horse at all times
- 4 – Walk or move to one side when passing walkers
- 5 – Walk when livestock is in close proximity
- 6 – Keep to the path
- 7 – Do not allow horses to foul path if possible
- 8 – Number tag to be displayed at all times
- 9 – Be considerate at all times
- 10 – Riders must have public liability insurance
- 11 – Horse riding allowed along the top path in Gelt Woods to and from Car Park by permission of Parish council
- 12 – Failure to observe conditions will result in withdrawal of permit
- 13 – Registered horses and riders only may ride through the woods

A suggestion that horse riders should clean up after their horse was thought to be impractical.

73.2 NOTED that any amendment to a public footpath would have to be sought through Cumbria County Council

74. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING - APPLICATIONS

Applications for planning consent were submitted.

AGREED to advise the appropriate Planning Authority of the Council's comments as follows:-

74.1 LAND TO REAR OF HIRTA, TREE ROAD, BRAMPTON - erection of 1 detached dwelling together with shared access and footpath (revised application).

OBJECT – The property should retain its domestic garden, the application is inappropriate use of a rear domestic garden and not in keeping with a conservation area

74.2 LOW GELT QUARRY, BRAMPTON – Extension to existing quarry.

No comment

74.3 47 BERRYMOOR ROAD, BRAMPTON – Two storey side extension to provide kitchen, dining room and lounge on ground floor with two bedrooms (1 en-suite) above together with one bedroom and shower room in existing roof space (revised proposal)

No comment

74.4 15 CAPON HILL, BRAMPTON – Erection of one dwelling (revised application)

OBJECT – The proposed development will be unacceptably detrimental to the amenities of neighbouring residents by reason of loss of privacy, overlooking and general disturbance.

75. INTERNAL AUDITORS REPORT

A report was submitted from Mrs. J. Batey FMAAT on the Council's internal audit for the year ending 31st March 2009.

75.1 NOTED the report

75.2 AGREED to implement its recommendation of physical approval of bank reconciliation's at monthly meetings.

76. REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS

76.1 TANZANIAN LINK

NOTED a report from Councillors Ridley and Smith on their recent attendance for the departure of the Tanzanians where they had presented the school with a watercolour of the Tarn and stationery on behalf of the Parish Council. William Howard School would write direct to the Clerk in future to include the Parish Council directly with aspects of the annual visit.

76.2 DEVELOPMENT TRUST WORKING GROUP

NOTED a report by Councillors G. Prest and Siddle on a recent meeting of the Development Trust working group which had been establishing a steering group and electing a Chairman etc. The group was mainly composed of people from Brampton Community Association and Sustainable Brampton and had not been as wide as expected.

Councillor Siddle confirmed that he would attend future meetings and workshops on behalf of the Parish council.

76.3 HEALTH CAMPUS

NOTED a report by Councillor G. Prest on a recent meeting at Brampton Community Centre regarding the new health campus. Brampton Parish Council had not been invited directly as David Taylor, Chairman of the Brampton and Area Parish Plan Group and Nether Denton Parish Council had been invited and although had been instructed to invite three other parishes had thought Brampton would have had their own invitation. Councillor G. Prest had attended following information from Councillor L. Fisher.

A site decision would be made after appointment of the LIFT Company in September. The Clerk would ask a member of the PCT to report at the Council meeting in September.

76.4 NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM

NOTED a report from Councillor Tarbitt on a recent meeting of the Brampton and District Neighbourhood Forum. The main points being:-

- Recycling centre going well
- Experimental parking at William Howard School through Autumn Term
- Police roles and Policing Pledge outlined by Inspector Thomson
- Presentation from firefighting team
- Presentation from Claire Porter re health campus

76.5 TOWN TWINNING GROUP

NOTED that Councillor Skimming would be attending a meeting of the Town Twinning Group in August/September.

77. CALC

77.1 CALC CIRCULAR

The July/August 2009 edition of the CALC circular was submitted.

NOTED.

77.2 TRAINING FOR TOWN AND PARISH COUNCILS

A prospectus re training for September 2009 to March 2010 was submitted.

AGREED that any interested Councillor should contact the Clerk.

78. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

NOTED that the following correspondence had been received:-

78.1 REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF GREENHOUSES AND POLYTUNNELS AT CLAY DUBBS ALLOTMENT SITE/PLANNING PERMISSION – Emails from Wendy Griffiths

AGREED, after discussion, to permit greenhouses at Clay Dubbs allotment site and NOT polytunnels.

78.2 COMPOST TOILET PLANNING PERMISSION – Email from Lisa Alexander

AGREED, after discussion, to the siting of a compost toilet at Clay Dubbs allotment site.

78.3 BRAMPTON JUNIOR SCHOOL – CRIMINAL CONDUCT – Email from Eric Griffiths

NOTED that Councillors felt the matter was for the police not the Parish Council.

79. LITERATURE AVAILABLE IN OFFICE

NOTED that the following literature is available from the office for any interested Councillors:-

79.1 CUMBRIA HIGHWAYS – Summer 2009

79.2 FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE – 1 August to 30 November 2009

80. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960 - To consider resolving, in terms of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and Standing Order No. 64, that, in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the public be temporarily excluded and that they be instructed to withdraw.

81. COMPLAINTS RECEIVED

81.1 FORMAL COMPLAINT AGAINST CLERK - Letter from Inspector N. Thomson

Complaint from Police. The background to this complaint is to be found in the minutes of the Council meeting on 30th. June 2009

The Chairman informed the Council that for this item and the next item on the Agenda, the Clerk, Mrs. Riddell, would not be acting as Clerk and any necessary notes would be taken by the Chairman.

The chairman outlined the way in which the matter would be dealt with and invited Inspector Thomson of Brampton Police if he would like to elaborate or add anything to his letter of complaint.

Inspector Thomson said there had always been a good working relationship between the Police and the Parish Council and he hoped that this would continue. He had discussed this matter with his Senior Officers and had decided to make a formal complaint. He accepted that PC Owen had asked the Clerk to "tweak" her letter but he believed that the Clerk had gone much further than that. Inspector Thomson was not asking for any resignations or disciplinary action merely an apology from the Parish council.

Mrs. Riddell did not wish to ask Inspector Thomson any questions.

In answer to questions from Councillors, Inspector Thomson stated that he was dismayed that the letter had been presented to a public meeting without it having been signed by PC Owen. The chairman referred to the minutes of the Council meeting on 29th. July 2008 when it was stated that the letter was submitted. It was noted that there were no members of the public present at that meeting and that the letter was not referred to again in a public Forum before it had been signed by PC Owen. Inspector Thomson gave the definition of "tweak" as "improve by making adjustments". He accepted that some complaints regarding the use of Sandy Lonning and the Cyclepath had not been logged by the Police.

Mrs. Riddell referred to her meeting with Andrew Nicholson before the Police had ever been involved and his permission to erect a "Kissing Gate". She reiterated that it had never been her intention to deceive anyone and the letter from PC Owen had been altered so that it made some sense. She questioned whether the Police would have preferred her to have presented an Official letter from the Police which was inaccurate in many respects.

Inspector Thomson repeated some of his previous comments and hoped that when this matter was resolved that that would be the end of the matter.

Both Mrs. Riddell and Inspector Thomson then left the meeting and the matter was discussed by the Council.

It was resolved unanimously that in view of the fact that PC Owen had signed the altered letter as being correct that no apology would be made by the Parish Council. It was further decided that the altered letter should have been forwarded to PC Owen immediately for her signature and the Clerk, Mrs. Riddell should be given words of advice by the Chairman.

81.2 RESIGNATION DEMAND - Letter from Mr. and Mrs. Davis

The Council discussed a letter dated 3rd July from Mr. N.J. and Mrs. M.J. Davis regarding the Sandy Lonning Footpath.

After a full discussion it was agreed that the Chairman write to Mr. & Mrs. Davis informing them that the matter had been investigated and that the Council were satisfied that no Councillor played any part in altering the letter referred to but in view of the fact that the altered letter had been signed by PC Owen, the Council did not propose to take any further action and now regarded the matter as closed.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed.

PRESENT

Councillor G. R. Prest (in the Chair)
Councillor M. Elliott
Councillor Mrs. C. Ridley

Councillor J. J. Harding
Councillor Mrs. J. Thompson
Councillor Mrs. M. Smith

IN ATTENDANCE - Clerk

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Councillor Pattinson.

82. MINUTE

82.1 Minute of the Meeting held on 14th July 2009 was submitted.

APPROVED.

82.2 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

MAINTENANCE CONTRACT (Min 62)

NOTED a report by Councillor G. Prest that five tenders had been received for the Grounds Maintenance Contract. After enquiries regarding background details and performance a full report would be given at the next Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting.

83. FINANCIAL MATTERS -

83.1 BANK RECONCILIATIONS TO 31ST AUGUST 2009

There was submitted a report by the Clerk on the reconciliation of the Council's financial records with its bank and Building Society accounts statements.

NOTED the report.

83.2 IMPREST

There was submitted a report by the Clerk advising of the income received and the expenditure incurred since the last meeting through the imprest system.

NOTED

83.3 FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS

There was submitted a report by the Clerk detailing the expenditure incurred and the income received since the last report to this Committee.

83.3.1 APPROVED the expenditure of £30,597.45 detailed in the Appendix hereto

83.3.2 NOTED the income of £18,653.00 detailed in the Appendix hereto.

83.4 EXPENDITURE TO APPROVE

There was submitted a report by the Clerk detailing expenditure to approve.

APPROVED the expenditure of £5,390.35 detailed in the Appendix hereto.

84. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

84.1 SUSTAINABLE BRAMPTON – HARVEST MARKET

There was submitted an application for financial assistance from Lisa Alexander of Sustainable Brampton requesting that no rent be charged on stalls present for the Harvest Market due to be held on September 20th.

AGREED, after discussion, that each stall should pay half price rent of £5.00 for the day. Rent to be collected by Sustainable Brampton and passed to the Clerk.

85. WALL AT SHOWFIELD CAR PARK

The Clerk reported that the wall at Showfield car park had been investigated by Chris Reid from Carlisle City Council who was recommending that the wall should be dismantled and rebuilt at an estimated cost of £2,500 – £3,000.

Councillor G. Prest was concerned that the Parish Council had so far been unable to help with financial assistance towards a fence at Showfield Car Park requested by the Showfield Flats Residents Association.

85.1 NOTED the report.

85.2 AGREED that the Clerk would request estimates for the repair and telephone Alistair Mitchell from the Showfield Flats Residents Association explaining the situation.

Expenditure

£	Supplier	Detail
468.00	British Gas	Heat & Light – July & Aug
410.00	Carlisle City Council	Rates – July & August
164.00	Carlisle City Council	Rates – July & August
12.19	United Utilities	Water rates
119.00	E-on	Heat & Light – July & Aug
70.10	Vodafone	Telephone – Jul/Aug
3327.99	Cut n' Edge	Grounds Maintenance - July
236.84	British Telecom	Telephone
150.00	Petty Cash	Office
145.31	Performing Rights Society	Big Green Market
89.12	J Ratcliffe	Staff
301.80	P Reynolds	Staff
2003.48	HMR&C	PAYE - Staff
248.88	Business Finance Solns	Office
431.50	Tarn Road Nurseries	Brampton In Bloom
63.32	ABW	Various
316.67	Orchard Grounds Mnce	Grass cutting
39.96	United Utilities	Allotments
30.49	Rowntree Electrical	Moot Hall
287.50	Playdale	Parks & Open Spaces
33.16	E-on	Xmas Lights
58.25	E-on	Xmas Lights
11758.69	Farish Groundworks	Parks & Open Spaces
100.00	Mr Wilkinson	Brampton In Bloom
120.00	Cumbria lift n shift	Allotments
203.25	Cut n' Edge	Grounds Maintenance
1396.85	A Riddell	Staff
60.00	J Batey	Audit
120.68	J Ratcliffe	Staff
190.00	BIG	Misc Services
4694.25	Amey	Xmas Lights
263.88	Business Finance Solns	Office
103.60	Cumbrian Newspapers	Grounds Maintenance
351.72	P Reynolds	Staff
316.67	Orchard Grounds Mnce	Grass cutting
100.00	Community Kids - reissue	Grant
100.00	Petty Cash	Office
32.58	Cumbria County Cncl	Moot Hall
11.50	Brampton Skip Hire	Open Spaces
126.04	Lyreco	Office
143.33	ABW	Various
1396.85	A Riddell	Staff

£30,597.45

Income

£	Detail	Cost centre
405.00	Market Tolls - July	Market
325.00	Market Tolls - August	Market
20.00	Common War Graves	Cemetery
430.00	Co-operative Funeralcare	Cemetery
15.00	St Peters Church	Moot Hall
15.00	St Martins church	Moot Hall
15.00	Talkin Tarn ARC	Moot Hall
15.00	St Ninians Church	Moot Hall
45.00	Hadrians Sugarcraft	Moot Hall
41.00	Co-operative Monumental	Cemetery
41.00	JWF Watson	Cemetery
892.00	Co-operative Funeralcare	Cemetery
70.00	Co-operative Monumental	Cemetery
420.00	Ian Blair	Cemetery
70.00	Co-operative Monumental	Cemetery
15.00	Scaleby PCC	Moot Hall
41.00	Stan Jackson	Cemetery
15.00	Women In Business	Moot Hall
892.00	Ian Blair	Cemetery
60.00	Old Peoples Assn	Moot Hall
15.00	Cerebral Palsy	Moot Hall
105.00	Methodist Church	Moot Hall
70.00	Beattie Memorials	Cemetery
892.00	Co-operative Funeralcare	Cemetery
430.00	Co-operative Funeralcare	Cemetery
13299.00	Carlisle City Council	Parish Grant

£18653.00

Expenditure to Approve

£	Supplier	Detail
105.00	J. Ratcliffe	Wages – week 20
251.88	P. Reynolds	Wages – week 20
1794.00	Iain Kyle Ltd	Fencing - allotments
3030.00	Carlisle City Council	TIC - contribution
51.35	United Utilities	Rates – Market Place
109.12	Canon	Photocopier
49.00	CALC	Health, safety & Risk ass course
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<u>£5,390.35</u>		

PRESENT

Councillor K. Siddle (in the chair)
Councillor I. A. Pennington
Councillor Mrs. P. Skimming
Councillor K. Read-Bone

Councillor G. R. Prest
Councillor Mrs. V. A. Tarbitt
Councillor J. L. Tweddle

IN ATTENDANCE – Clerk

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Councillors, J. Prest and Pattinson.

86. MINUTES

86.1 MINUTE

Minute of the meeting held on 14th July 2009 was submitted.

APPROVED

86.2. MATTERS ARISING

SKATEPARK PROPOSAL (Min 67)

86.2.1 NOTED that the portable skatepark promised from Councillor S. Layden did not appear during the school holidays although smaller childrens play equipment was at King George V field for 2 days.

86.2.2 AGREED to speak to Councillor Layden regarding the matter at the next Council meeting.

86.2.3 NOTED a report from the Clerk that after removing two boys from the recreation ground who were trying to build a bmx track, a request had been received which would be heard at the Council meeting on September 29th for a bmx track in the area.

86.2.4 NOTED a report from Councillor Tarbitt on a skatepark facility at Allendale which fulfilled all requirements in a small space. Councillor Tarbitt would pass contact details to the Clerk and a visit to the facility would be arranged.

87. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

88. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING - APPLICATIONS

88.1 BINNEY BANK, MILTON, BRAMPTON – Two storey side extension to provide en-suite bedroom to ground floor with living room and balcony (to rear) above together with single storey side and rear extension to provide kitchen, utility and car port.

No comment

NOTED that a decision on this application had already been made 3 1/2 weeks in advance of its target date.

88.2 GELTBRIDGE FARM, BRAMPTON – Removal of a pole barn and erection of steel portal frame building for the loose housing of cattle.

No comment

88.3 LAND ADJACENT FRANLEIGH HOUSE, TREE ROAD, BRAMPTON - Erection of 1 dwelling.

No comment

88.4 CLAYBANKS HOUSE, LONGTOWN ROAD, BRAMPTON - Construction of swimming pool and games room (revised application).

No comment

88.5 TREE HOUSE, TREE ROAD, BRAMPTON – Trees specified as per the plan accompanying the notification of intention starting at the Scots Pine and moving in an anti-clockwise direction. Scots Pine – remove lowest branch, at 4m, overhanging Tree House Gardens, Beech – crown raise to 4m, Lime – crown raise to 4m, Beech – Fell, Hawthorn – crown raise to 4m, Beech – crown raise to 4m, Plum – crown raise to 4m.

No comment

88.6 STEPHENSON COTTAGE, FALKINS HILL, BRAMPTON – External rendering of property.

No comment

89. NOTIFICATION OF DECISIONS -

A note of the decisions of the appropriate planning authority on applications on which the Committee or Parish Council had previously been consulted was submitted.

NOTED.

90. PARK AND PLAY AREAS ANNUAL INSPECTION REPORTS

Inspection reports from Playdale were submitted for Elmfield Drying Green, King George V Field, Murray Park and St. Martin's Play Area along with a quotation for spare parts.

90.1 NOTED the reports.

90.2 AGREED to accept a quotation in the sum of £452.46 (exc. VAT) from Playdale for spares delivery and installation.

90.3 NOTED that it was a requirement by the Parish Council insurer's that an annual inspection of play equipment was completed by a qualified person.

90.4 AGREED that when looking into grants for a skatepark, that some new play equipment would be incorporated.

PRESENT

Councillor Mrs. J. L. Pattinson (Chairman) (in the Chair)	Councillor J. L. Tweddle
Councillor G. R. Prest	Councillor K. Siddle
Councillor M. Elliott	Councillor Mrs. P. Skimming
Councillor J. J. Harding	Councillor I. A. Pennington
Councillor Mrs. C. Ridley	Councillor Mrs. V. A. Tarbitt
Councillor Mrs. M. E. Smith	Councillor Mrs. J. Prest
Councillor Mrs. P. J. Thompson	Councillor K. T. Read-Bone

IN ATTENDANCE – Clerk

ALSO ATTENDING – Councillor S. Layden, Carlisle City Council and Councillor L. Fisher, Cumbria County Council.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – None

91. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

92. MINUTES

92.1 MINUTE

Minute of the Meeting held on 28th July 2009 was submitted.

APPROVED after amending for the attendance of Inspector N. Thomson.

92.2 MATTERS ARISING

92.2.1 TALKIN TARN HOTEL WORKS (Min. 69.2.2)

NOTED that nothing had been reported back from the enforcement officer regarding a complaint received about the destruction of trees at Talkin Tarn Hotel.

93. COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were submitted Minutes of Meetings of

Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 8th September 2009

Property and Environment Committee held on 8th September 2009

93.1 NOTED the Minutes.

93.2 APPROVED the recommendations for implementation

93.3 NOTED from the Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting that 5 tenders had been received for the Grounds Maintenance Contract 2010-2013. The tenders were being analysed and the matter would be discussed at the next F&GP meeting in October and then the Parish Council meeting on 27th October 2009.

93.4 NOTED that further to the P&E Committee meeting, Councillor Read-Bone, referring to the planning application at land adjacent to Franleigh, Tree Road, Brampton, stated that this was not a re-application and wanted his comments noted that this application is in a conservation area, that nothing in the garden is being used to grow produce, that Carlisle City Council seems to be using Brampton as a building site and we need someone to protect the town.

Councillor G. Prest added that he felt the Committee had had a good discussion regarding the application and the majority decision had been “no comment”.

Councillor Ridley also added that after speaking to the applicant who owned the site, this was not a first time application, the original planning permission had ran out and was therefore only a first time application under a conservation area.

94. NEW HEALTH CENTRE

94.1 NOTED that the Clerk had received no confirmation regarding someone from the PCT briefing the Parish Council regarding the proposed new health centre

94.2 NOTED that County Councillor Fisher would report back at the next Council meeting from a meeting to be held tomorrow night at the Community Centre to discuss the appointment of a L.I.F.T. Company for the new health centre

94.3 AGREED to send the PCT a formal complaint at the lack of consultation with the Parish Council.

95. POLICE MATTERS

Sergeant Richard Harrison introduced himself to Councillors and gave an overview of the Police website. Sergeant Harrison reported on crime in the area, that anti social behaviour was down, there was a problem with barb wire on a gate at the Blackpath and theft of quad bikes/trailers were a problem on the outskirts of Brampton.

Councillors raised concern at police action at events in Ridley Gardens as the Parish Council had received an email from the gentleman concerned. Councillors felt that the matter should be taken seriously especially with recent press reports about similar crime in other areas of the country and that the police response at Ridley Gardens (according to the email received) was not favourable. The gentlemen felt that no-one was doing anything effective and it was reported that one family had already moved from the area.

NOTED Sergeant Harrison's report and that he would review the problems at Ridley Gardens.

96. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

97. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING - APPLICATIONS

Applications for planning consent were submitted.

97.1 TALKIN TARN COUNTRYSIDE PARK, TALKIN TARN, BRAMPTON

97.1.1 BOATHOUSE PLANNING APPLICATION – Erection of new boathouse for Talkin Tarn Amateur Rowing Club

97.1.2 DEVELOPMENT AT TALKIN TARN – Letter from Mr. T. White

97.1.3 BOATHOUSE PLANNING APPLICATION – Letter from Mike Dodd

97.1.4 TARN END HOUSE HOTEL, TALKIN, BRAMPTON – Conversion and extension of hotel premises to create 15 dwellings

The Council discussed the above applications for the boathouse at Talkin Tarn and the creation of 15 dwellings at Tarn End Hotel at great length. The general feeling was that the Council were supportive of a new boathouse but not in this manner as it seemed like blatant bribery. The Council raised serious objections to the planned creation of 15 houses at Tarn End Hotel and that the Council should demand a judicial review if approved.

97.1.5 NOTED the letters received from Mr. White and Mr. Dodd

97.1.6 AGREED to advise the appropriate Planning Authority of the Council's comments as follows:-

BOATHOUSE PLANNING APPLICATION

No objection in principal to a new boathouse as long as it is in no way tied to any other development. Currently we are concerned as to what security of tenure the rowing club would have, and does the new boathouse have to be so big, it is out of scale with its surroundings, would a smaller building not suffice?

TARN END HOUSE HOTEL, TALKIN, BRAMPTON APPLICATION

OBJECT – development is totally inappropriate for the area, it would have an adverse visual impact on the amenity (Talkin Tarn), the site would be overdeveloped and access would be a problem

97.2 LAND ADJACENT FRANLEIGH HOUSE, TREE ROAD, BRAMPTON – Erection of one dwelling (revised plans)

97.2 NOTED a letter from Charles Bennett, Tree Officer, Carlisle City Council regarding the Application.

97.3 AGREED to make the observation that the Council agrees with the concerns of Charles Bennett

98. REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS

98.1 BRAMPTON FAIRTRADE GROUP

NOTED a report from Councillor Harding on a recent meeting of Cumbria Fairtrade Groups and that Brampton Fairtrade Group was in the top 5 in Cumbria. The Group were very excited to be helping out at the Christmas Light switch-on.

98.2 BRAMPTON TOWN TWINNING

NOTED a report from Councillor Skimming on a recent meeting of the Brampton Town Twinning Group. The Group had discussed various ideas for the 10th anniversary visit next year.

98.3 COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

NOTED a report from Councillors Elliott and Ridley on a recent meeting of the Community Association. Mike Godridge had given a report on the Development Trust but the project hadn't moved forward a lot. It was reported that the Community Association seemed to do quite a lot and that the Development Trust would relinquish them of some of the responsibilities.

Councillor Siddle reported that he had been on the original steering group for the Development Trust but hadn't been able to attend recent meetings as they were on the same night as Parish Council meetings.

98.4 BRAMPTON ECONOMIC ACTION GROUP

NOTED a report from Councillor G. Prest giving background details on the setting up of the Brampton Economic Action Group and the difficulty in finding an independent Chairman. Councillor Pattinson reported that from attending a years worth of meetings the only event was the Big Green Market.

The matter of an independent Chairman was further discussed and Councillors felt that the proposed chairman was not sufficiently independent to Chair the group as they were already involved with Low Luckens. As Councillors Pattinson and G. Prest would be unable to attend the meeting scheduled for tomorrow night, Councillor Lewsley would attend and inform the group that the Parish Council felt that the position should be readvertised otherwise if the proposed Chairman is appointed, Brampton Parish Council will withdraw from the group.

98.5 CUMBRIA IN BLOOM

NOTED a report from Councillors Skimming and Thompson on their attendance at the Cumbria In Bloom Awards. Judges comments were handed to each Councillor for information, Brampton had once again won a silver award.

Councillor Pattinson thanked members of the Brampton In Bloom Committee for their hard work and Councillor G. Prest added that Councillor Thompson had only been supported to a limited extent.

Agreed that next years competition should be thought about now and that a sub-committee should be formed.

99. CALC

99.1 CALC CIRCULAR

The September 2009 edition of the CALC circular was submitted.

NOTED.

99.2 CALC SELECTIVES

An email from Clive Moth on a Calc Selective to be held at Hethersgill Village Hall was submitted.

AGREED that Councillors Lewsley, Pattinson and J. Prest would attend if possible on confirmation of date.

99.3 GETTING UP TO SPEED

An email from Chris Bagshaw was submitted regarding a session on Freedom of Information and other available training courses.

AGREED that the Clerk would attend the Freedom of Information session at a cost of £39.00

100. DEVELOPMENT TRUST

100.1 PROGRESS REPORT

NOTED a progress report received from Bob Allan.

100.2 DTA MARKETS

NOTED an email submitted from DTA Markets looking to take over the running of the weekly market. After speaking to the Clerk and Market Manager they had decided not to pursue the matter.

NOTED that Councillor Pattinson had spoken to Made In Cumbria but they didn't want to attend a weekly market and would stick to monthly Saturdays at present.

101. FOOTPATHS

101.1 ACCESS TO HA HA LONNING, OLD CHURCH LANE, BRAMPTON

101.1.1 NOTED a report by Councillor Tweddle that gate at Ha Ha Lonning had been padlocked shut by the farmer and the adjacent stile was difficult to climb over, especially if disabled. It would benefit people if a kissing gate was installed and the farmer was in agreement. Councillor Tweddle stated that Carlisle City Council would pay to install the gate.

101.1.2 NOTED that no other complaints regarding the stile had been received and that the footpath was really only used by fisherman accessing the river nearby. Several complaints had been received regarding the surface of the Dandy footpath and that at times it was impassable. The Clerk had spoken to Andrea Bonnecker from the Parish Paths Initiative who reported that there was probably no funding left this year for footpath projects as most of it had been allocated. The Clerk would be meeting with Andrea on 7th October.

101.1.3 AGREED to refer a review of all footpaths in the area to the Property and Environment Committee.

101.2 KISSING GATE AT SANDY LONNING

NOTED a report by the Clerk that the gate was due to be removed shortly by Carlisle City Council.

102. PARKING AT KING GEORGE V FIELD

102.1 NOTED a report from Councillor Pennington on the continuing problem of cars parking on King George V field.

102.2 AGREED, after discussion, to price for fencing the hard standing area available for cars.

103. CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

103.1 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS 2009 – Quotation from Amey

103.2 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS 2009 – Response from Clerk regarding quotation from Amey

103.3 NOTED the above quotation and correspondence.

103.4 NOTED that Councillor Tarbitt felt the Clerk's response was too confrontational.

103.5 NOTED a report from the Clerk that after further correspondence and phone calls, Amey would not lower the original quote. Russell Smith from Amey had stated that he was happy for someone else to do the work which Carlisle City Council confirmed they would do with written authority from Richard Heyward. It was hoped that the switch-on of the lights would be Friday 20th November.

103.6 AGREED that Councillor G. Prest would speak to Richard Heyward with regard to Carlisle City Council being permitted to do the work.

104. FORTHCOMING MEETINGS OF OUTSIDE BODIES

NOTED the following meetings:-

104.1 CARLISLE PARISH COUNCIL'S ASSOCIATION

104.1.1 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – Tuesday 6th October 2009, 7.00pm, Hethersgill Village Hall

Councillors Ridley and Tarbitt to attend.

104.1.2 WORKSHOP FOR VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEES – Saturday 17th October 2009, 9.15am,
Great Orton Village Hall

Clerk to be informed if any Councillor can attend.

104.1.3 COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT WORKSHOP FOR CHAIRMEN – Wednesday 28th October,
6.30pm, Rockcliffe Village Hall.

Councillor Pattinson to attend.

104.2 BRAMPTON AND AREA PARISH PLAN GROUP – Wednesday 21st October, 7.00pm, Moot Hall.

Councillors Pattinson and Ridley to attend.

NOTED that Parish Council representatives had not been contacted with regard to the preparation of the budget for the production of the Parish Plan, although mentioned as part of a sub-group along with John Harris and David Taylor.

104.3 CARLISLE COMMUNITY LIAISON FORUM – Monday 19th October, 7.00pm, Irthing Centre,
Brampton.

Councillors Lewsley and Tarbitt will attend if possible.

105. SKATEPARK/BMX TRACK IN BRAMPTON

105.1 SKATEPARK

An email from Councillor Stephen Layden was submitted. Councillor Layden said that he didn't know what had happened to the promised portable skatepark during the summer at King George V field, it appeared that Carlisle City Council didn't have one but that we should look to the future and an officer would come and meet with the Parish Council and youngsters involved. Councillor Layden apologised for the mix-up.

105.1.1 NOTED the email and report from Councillor Layden

105.1.2 NOTED that Councillor J. Prest reported that Mrs. Pickering had been very disappointed that the promised facility had not been made available

105.2 BMX TRACK

A letter was submitted from Jack C and Jamie C. The Clerk reported on the background to the letter.

105.2.1 NOTED the letter and Clerk's report.

105.2.2 AGREED, after further discussion, to talk to all youngster involved and organise a visit to a similar project.

106. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

NOTED that the following correspondence had been received:-

106.1 REQUEST FOR BURIAL OF ASHES IN THE OLD BRAMPTON CEMETERY – Letter from Robert W Hall.

AGREED to request.

106.2 WEST HILL HOUSE

106.2.1 WEST HILL HOUSE - Letter from John Barker

106.2.2 WEST HILL HOUSE - Letter from Karl and Marie Saag

AGREED, after discussion, that the facility was in need of upgrading but felt that there should be a warden present.

106.3 ROYAL BRITISH LEGION, REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY – Letter from Fred Chipchase

AGREED that Councillor Tweddle would lay the wreaths on behalf of the Parish Council.

106.4 ST MARTINS CHORKNABEN BIBERACH – Letter from Stefan Zell, Nikolai Pfender and Daniel Remke

AGREED that the matter should be dealt with by our local St. Martin's Church. (The Clerk had already passed a copy of the letter to Peter Pym)

106.5 SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES ACT – Letter from Steve Shaw, National Co-ordinator, Local Works

106.6 BRAMPTON FILM CLUB - Email from Eric Griffiths, Chairman.

106.7 BRAMPTON HWRC – Letter from J. Eggleston, Community Education and Liaison Officer

NOTED a request to City and County Councillors to improve the signage for businesses located at the Industrial Estate.

106.8 EAST OF CARLISLE REVIEW OF LOCAL BUS SERVICES – Letter from Mark Hodgkiss

106.9 FURTHER PROBLEMS AT BRAMPTON JUNIOR SCHOOL – Email from Eric Griffiths

106.10 2010 COUNCIL CALENDARS – Letter from Terry McKay

AGREED not to purchase any calendars.

107. LITERATURE AVAILABLE IN OFFICE

NOTED that the following literature is available from the office for any interested Councillors:-

107.1 CONSULTATION ON THE SUBMITTED DRAFT NORTH WEST PLAN PARTIAL REVIEW – Letter from Michael Gallagher, Director of Planning, Transport and Housing. Comments to be submitted by Monday 19th October.

107.2 CUMBRIA MINERALS AND WASTE DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK DRAFT SITE ALLOCATIONS POLICIES AND PROPOSALS MAP – Letter from Richard Evans, Principal Planning Officer. Comments to be submitted by Thursday 15th October.

107.3 HADRIAN’S WALL MANAGEMENT PLAN 2008 – 2014 – Letter and disk from Dr. Nigel Mills

107.4 FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE – 1 October 2009 to 31 January 2010

108 TARMAC ON THE COBBLES AT THE MOOT HALL

The Clerk reported that the tarmac that has recently been laid on the disabled parking bay at the Moot Hall has not been done as per instructions. Carlisle City Council has asked the contractor to reinstate the area as soon as possible.

NOTED.

PRESENT

Councillor G. R. Prest (in the Chair)
Councillor Mrs. J. Pattinson.
Councillor Mrs. C. Ridley
Councillor Mrs. J. Prest

Councillor Mrs. S Lewsley
Councillor Mrs. J. Thompson
Councillor Mrs. M. Smith

IN ATTENDANCE - Clerk

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Councillors Elliott and Harding

109. MINUTE

109.1 Minute of the Meeting held on 8th September 2009 was submitted.

APPROVED.

109.2 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

SUSTAINABLE BRAMPTON (Min 84.1)

109.2.1 NOTED concerns from Councillor Pattinson on the recent Harvest Market where there was a stall selling produce from Clay Dubbs Allotments. It had been agreed when setting up the allotment site that produce was not to be sold at a market, however, excess produce could be sold at a “gate sale” at the allotment site where any monies raised would go back into the allotment site.

109.2.2 AGREED that the Clerk would write to the Allotment Association.

109.2.3 NOTED a report from Councillor Pattinson that per Sustainable Brampton’s website there was a proposal for wind turbines at Capon tree Hill. To date there has been no public consultation regarding the proposals.

109.2.4 AGREED to put the matter on the Agenda for the next Council meeting.

WALL AT SHOWFIELD CAR PARK (Min. 85)

NOTED that the Clerk had received one quotation for the required work but was still awaiting another two quotes and an engineer’s report from Carlisle City Council.

110. FINANCIAL MATTERS -

110.1 BANK RECONCILIATIONS TO 30TH SEPTEMBER 2009

There was submitted a report by the Clerk on the reconciliation of the Council’s financial records with its bank and Building Society accounts statements.

NOTED the report.

110.2 IMPREST

There was submitted a report by the Clerk advising of the income received and the expenditure incurred since the last meeting through the imprest system.

NOTED

110.3 FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS

There was submitted a report by the Clerk detailing the expenditure incurred and the income received since the last report to this Committee.

110.3.1 APPROVED the expenditure of £14,897.42 detailed in the Appendix hereto

110.3.2 NOTED the income of £2,343.95 detailed in the Appendix hereto.

110.4 EXPENDITURE TO APPROVE

There was submitted a report by the Clerk detailing expenditure to approve.

APPROVED the expenditure of £10,931.78 detailed in the Appendix hereto.

110.5 EXTERNAL AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE AND OPINION

The external Auditor's certificate and opinion for the Accounts for the year ending March 2009 was submitted

NOTED the certificate and that no matters had come to the attention of the external auditor.

111. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

NOTED that no requests for financial assistance had been received

112. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960 - To consider resolving, in terms of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and Standing Order No. 64, that, in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, (i.e. contract terms), it is advisable in the public interest that the public be temporarily excluded and that they be instructed to withdraw.

113. GROUNDS MAINTENANCE CONTRACT 2010-2013

Details of tenders received from five contractors were submitted. Councillor G. Prest reported on the price of each tender and background details of each contractor.

113.1 NOTED the report on each contractor and tenders submitted.

113.2 AGREED, after further discussion, to invite Peter Reynolds and Stephen Hillary for an interview to be conducted with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Parish Council to be held on Thursday 15th October. A full report will then be given at the next Council meeting.

Expenditure

£	Supplier	Detail
234.00	British Gas	Heat & Light
205.00	Carlisle City Council	Rates
82.00	Carlisle City Council	Rates
3327.99	Cut n' Edge	Grounds Maintenance - Aug
50.00	E-on	Heat & Light
34.92	Vodafone	Telephone
3327.99	Cut n' Edge	Grounds Maintenance - Sept
14.07	Barclays Bank	Charges
105.00	J Ratcliffe	Staff
251.88	P Reynolds	Staff
1794.00	Ian Kyle	Clay Dubbs Allotment
3030.00	Carlisle City Council	TIC
51.35	United Utilities	Rates
109.12	Canon	Office
49.00	CALC	Course
105.00	J Ratcliffe	Staff
228.16	P Reynolds	Staff
1470.84	A Riddell	Staff
427.10	BRHS	Office

£14,897.42

Income

£	Detail	Cost centre
415.00	Market Tolls	Market
70.00	Co-operative Monumentals	Cemetery
82.00	Ian Robinson	Cemetery
70.00	Walkers	Cemetery
70.00	Beattie Memorials	Cemetery
165.00	B'ton Gardening Club	Moot Hall
500.00	Allotment Association	Clay Dubbs
462.00	Hunter	Cemetery
100.00	Wilkinson	Cemetery
15.00	Cerebral Palsy	Moot Hall
15.00	St. Martins Church	Moot Hall
70.00	Co-operative Monumental	Cemetery
45.00	Hadrians Sugarcraft	Moot Hall
15.00	Stroke Club	Moot Hall
70.00	Beattie Memorials	Cemetery
15.00	Indoor Bowling Club	Moot Hall
150.00	Reuben Slater	Parks
14.95	Barclays Bank	Interest

£2,343.95

Expenditure To Approve

£	Supplier	Detail
520.33	Playdale	Parks
633.34	Orchard Grounds Mtncce	Grass Cutting – Aug/Sept
41.40	Cannon	Moot Hall
931.13	BRHS	Office
79.63	Chandlers	Moot Hall & open spaces
23.00	Brampton Skip Hire	Brampton In Bloom
149.50	A Frizzell	Clay Dubbs Allotment
95.09	P. Skimming – travel costs	Brampton In Bloom
3952.45	Beattie Memorials	St. Martins church
95.00	BIG	Misc Services
56.99	Lyreco	Office
621.00	Lowther Tree Services	The Mote
14.58	ABW	Moot Hall
1008.00	Visual Imprint	Special Projects - Map
632.50	BDO Stoy Hayward	External Audit fee
35.00	Information Commissioner	Data Protection Fee
15.00	Carlisle City Council	Open Spaces
2027.84	HMR&C	Staff - PAYE

£10,931.78

PRESENT

Councillor Mrs. J. Pattinson (in the chair)	Councillor G. Prest
Councillor I. A. Pennington	Councillor Mrs. V. Tarbitt
Councillor Mrs. P. Skimming	Councillor J. L. Tweddle
Councillor Mrs. S. Lewsley	Councillor Mrs. J. Prest

IN ATTENDANCE – Clerk

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Councillor Siddle

114. AGREED, after being nominated by Councillor G. Prest, that Councillor Pattinson act as Chair for the meeting in the absence of Councillors Siddle (Chairman of the Committee) and Read-Bone (Vice-Chairman of the Committee).

115. MINUTES

115.1 MINUTE

Minute of the meeting held on 8th September 2009 was submitted.

APPROVED

115.2. MATTERS ARISING

SKATEPARK PROPOSAL (Min 86.2)

115.2.1 NOTED a report from Councillor G. Prest on a visit to Allendale to view their skatepark, Councillor Pattinson and the Clerk had also attended and were met by Larry Winger (Chairman of the Village Hall and Recreation Ground) who was dedicated and took great pride about the area. The track itself was actually a bmx track not a skatepark as first thought as the surface wasn't suitable for skates or boards. Funding had been sourced from various areas and as they were a charity and not a Parish Council, funding had probably been easier to find. Their original quote for the overhaul of the park had been £1,200,000.00, however the work done to date had cost around £94,000.00.

After visiting Allendale, Councillors G. Prest. Pattinson and the Clerk went to King George V field in Brampton to see if there would be enough space for a skatepark/bmx track. The park itself is large and could probably hold the proposed project quite easily although planning permission will be required.

Councillor Mrs. J. Prest reported that at a recent Neighbourhood Forum meeting there had been talk of a multi use game facility for Brampton.

115.2.2 AGREED that the Clerk would contact all the boys who have requested a skatepark/bmx track and inform them of progress to date.

116. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors Lewsley and Pennington declared an interest in item 120.

117. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING - APPLICATIONS

117.1 18 BECK RIGGS, BRAMPTON – TPO 81 Tree 2 Sycamore – crown lift and reduce to give a clearance of 6m from the lowest branches to the ground level of the garden at 18 Beck Riggs.

No comment

117.2 4 HEMBLESGATE COURT, TARN ROAD, BRAMPTON – Single storey extension to provide garden room

No comment

117.3 20 GREENCROFT, BRAMPTON – Erection of conservatory to rear elevation

No comment

117.4 KARAWOOD, TREE ROAD, BRAMPTON – Fell one Sycamore, two Sycamore and eight Norway Spruce as shown on the plans accompanying the application

No comment, however, check with Charles Bennett that he has looked at the proposed work

117.5 WARREN BANK, STATION ROAD, BRAMPTON – Change of approved house type – house to bungalow (plot 4)

No comment

117.6 THREE FIELDS ADJACENT TO LONGTOWN ROAD AND AGAINST THE NORTH AND WEST BOUNDARIES OF OAK BANK NURSERY, LONGTOWN ROAD, BRAMPTON – Erection of 2 polytunnels and compost pad together with access from Oak Bank Nursery – Phase 1

Observations as follows:-

- concerned at description in application re people walking to the site, conversely we believe that it is mainly accessed by cars. It is an impractical suggestion that people could walk to the site as there is no pavement.
- require confirmation that the tree survey is independent and fair
- concerns that the implementation of the planned project will adversely affect businesses in Brampton
- concerned that traffic accessing the site will have to pass a children's playground

118. NOTIFICATION OF DECISIONS -

A note of the decisions of the appropriate planning authority on applications on which the Committee or Parish Council had previously been consulted was submitted.

NOTED.

119. PUBLIC FOOTPATHS

All footpaths within the area were allocated to each Councillor for them to survey any improvement that could be made. Councillors will give information to the Clerk who will compile a report within a 2-3 month timescale.

NOTED.

120. CLAY DUBBS ALLOTMENT

An email was submitted from Wendy Griffiths requesting polytunnels and sheds at Clay Dubbs allotment site.

Councillor Lewsley expressed concern at the erection of polytunnels at the site and that the Parish Council do not have to be compared with Carlisle City Council alone, as many other Councils do not permit polytunnels. Clay Dubbs field is within a conservation area and we should try and keep the aesthetics in good order. After looking at some of Carlisle City Council's allotment sites, Councillor Lewsley compared them to shanty towns and hoped that Clay Dubbs would not be allowed to look a mess. Councillor Lewsley suggested that the plot holders could have a communal low level structure. Councillor Lewsley then left the meeting.

Councillor Pennington reported that Jon Hampson (Chairman of the Allotment Association) wanted to attend the next Council meeting.

120.1 NOTED the email and Councillor Lewsley's comments.

120.2 AGREED that at present, only sheds and greenhouses would be permitted on each plot.

120.3 AGREED to invite Jon Hampson to the next meeting.

PRESENT

Councillor Mrs. J. L. Pattinson (Chairman) (in the Chair)	Councillor J. L. Tweddle
Councillor G. R. Prest	Councillor K. Siddle
Councillor Mrs. P. Skimming	Councillor K. T. Read-Bone
Councillor J. J. Harding	Councillor I. A. Pennington
Councillor Mrs. C. Ridley	Councillor Mrs. V. A. Tarbitt
Councillor Mrs. M. E. Smith	Councillor Mrs. J. Prest
Councillor Mrs. P. J. Thompson	Councillor Mrs. S. Lewsley

IN ATTENDANCE – Clerk

ALSO ATTENDING – Councillor M. Mitchelson, Carlisle City Council and Councillor L. Fisher, Cumbria County Council.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Councillor Elliott
Councillor S. Layden, Carlisle City Council

121. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Tarbitt declared an interest in item 134.7
Councillors Lewsley and Pennington declared an interest in item 127

122. MINUTES

122.1 MINUTE

Minute of the Meeting held on 29th September 2009 was submitted.

APPROVED.

122.2 MATTERS ARISING

122.2.1 TARMAC ON THE COBBLES AT THE MOOT HALL (Min. 108)

NOTED that the tarmac had still not been removed from the cobbles at the Moot Hall. Councillor Mitchelson would follow up on the matter.

122.2.2 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS (Min. 103.6)

NOTED that Councillor G. Prest and the Clerk had spoken to Richard Heyward with regard to Carlisle City council erecting the Christmas Lights instead of Amey and were waiting for confirmation. Councillor Fisher had been told that the Parish Council could use whoever they wanted as long as they informed the County Council.

122.2.3 NEW HEALTH CENTRE (Min. 94.3)

NOTED that a formal complaint had been sent to the PCT regarding a lack of consultation with the Parish Council on the new health centre. The Clerk had been informed that somebody would attend the next meeting in November.

122.2.4 TARN END HOUSE HOTEL (Min. 97.1.6)

NOTED that the City Council had written to the developer regarding the insufficient and intimidating walkway that has been left at the front of the Hotel. The City Council have also asked that the barrier at the edge of the Tarn be removed.

123. COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were submitted Minutes of Meetings of

Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 13th October 2009

Property and Environment Committee held on 13th October 2009

123.1 NOTED the Minutes.

123.2 APPROVED the recommendations for implementation

123.3 NOTED from the Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting that the Clerk had emailed Lisa Alexander regarding the sale of allotment produce at the Harvest Market.

AGREED, from discussion of the Harvest Market and Sustainable Brampton, that a meeting in the New Year is arranged for Sustainable Brampton to give a presentation on their proposals for local energy generation at Capon Hill as detailed on their website.

124. POLICE MATTERS

Fiona Wright, PCSO, recently moved from Raffles in Carlisle, introduced herself and detailed various crimes. PCSO Wright stated that compared with other areas, Brampton was a nice place with nothing to worry about. PCSO Wright distributed copies of a police newsletter for Brampton and confirmed that someone would attend a Parish Council meeting every three months and give a written report between such attendances.

Several Councillors raised concern at the police only attending every three months and felt that it is very important that they attend every month. Information was a two-way process serving both the Parish Council and the police and that surely 10 minutes every month could be found to attend.

The Clerk informed the police that needles have been found on a weekly basis in the bin at the newsagents on Front Street. The police were unaware of this and would look into the matter.

124.1 NOTED PCSO Wright's report.

124.2 AGREED to write to Inspector Thomson, Brampton Police, asking that the police attend monthly meetings and that the Parish Council were willing to rearrange the agenda to be more convenient for the police.

125. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Heather and Nikki from the Transport Action Group of Sustainable Brampton attended the meeting and reported on the background and progress of the group. The group want to encourage people to lead a more sustainable lifestyle by using a bike or walking rather than travelling by car. A promotional event was due to take place at the Community Centre on 21st November. The group wanted to work in conjunction with the Parish Council on the Brampton Mobility Plan and Urban Cycle Network Review.

Councillors were pleased that the group wanted to work with the Parish Council as views other than those of Sustainable Brampton should be heard.

125.1 NOTED the report.

125.2 AGREED to refer the matter to the Property and Environment Committee.

126. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING - APPLICATIONS

Applications for planning consent were submitted.

AGREED to advise the appropriate Planning Authority of the Council's comments as follows:-

126.1 THE KNOWE, STATION ROAD BRAMPTON – Fell two beech and one lime in rear garden of The Knowe as shown on the plan accompanying the notification of intention

The Parish Council would like a reason for the removal of the trees.

126.2 1 CRAIGMORE, BRAMPTON – remove one limb as shown on photograph one that accompanies the application, a partial crown reduction of 2m, crown lift to the height of the roof of the adjacent dwelling, and 10% crown thin. The proposed works will allow more light into the property at 32 Irthing Park and prevent the branches from coning into contact with the dwellings

No comment

126.3 HILLHOLME, 6 OAK PARK, BRAMPTON – Cut back to boundary vegetation encroaching from Tree House, Brampton

No comment

126.4 LAND ADJACENT FRANLEIGH HOUSE, TREE ROAD, BRAMPTON – Erection of one dwelling – notification of amended details/further information

No comment (majority decision, Councillor Read-Bone objected.)

126.5 THREE FIELDS ADJACENT TO LONGTOWN ROAD AND AGAINST THE NORTH AND WEST BOUNDARIES OF OAK BANK NURSERY, LONGTOWN ROAD, BRAMPTON – Erection of packing shed & implement shed together with area of hardstanding – Phase 2

The following comments to be made:-

- Applicant should send out a master plan to put phases into context
- Totally impractical to suggest that people would walk to the site
- Concerns at parking and access near a children's playground.
- Why is the implement shed being sited on the highest point?

126.6 THREE FIELDS ADJACENT TO LONGTOWN ROAD AND AGAINST THE NORTH AND WEST BOUNDARIES OF OAK BANK NURSERY, LONGTOWN ROAD, BRAMPTON – Erection of two polytunnels – Phase 3

The following comments to be made:-

- Applicant should send out a master plan to put phases into context
- An agreement should be sought that the developer provides a footpath to the site

127. CLAY DUBBS ALLOTMENT SITE

Jon Hampson. Chairman of Brampton Allotment Association – Clay Dubbs, attended the meeting to iron out any misunderstandings that have arisen and put a case forward for the erection of polytunnels and sheds at Clay Dubbs Allotment site. Jon explained that money from the selling of produce at the Harvest Market had been paid into the Association's bank account. The Association had taken the opportunity to sell produce at this market as it was felt too soon for an Open Day at Clay Dubbs.

Jon went on to explain why allotment holders wanted polytunnels and/or sheds at the site. Polytunnels extended the growing season encouraging year round gardening and some allotment holders could not afford the price of a greenhouse. The current design of polytunnels reduces the risk of damage in severe weather conditions and reassurances were made that any shed or polytunnel would be properly manufactured and anyone doing otherwise would lose their plot. Sheds were useful to store tools as the large container on site would eventually house a rotivator and other grass cutting machinery. It was also useful to shelter in a shed during inclement weather.

Councillors raised concern that they didn't want the site to deteriorate and become messy giving neighbours cause for concern. Jon reassured Councillors that this would not happen and any polytunnel or shed would be erected within the guidelines previously agreed.

127.1 **NOTED** the report

127.2 **AGREED** to polytunnels being sited at Clay Dubbs Allotments.

128. **FOOTBALL CHANGING FACILITIES AT KING GEORGE V FIELD**

The Clerk submitted a report from Tim Hill, Chairman of the Brampton Youth and Community Football Project. There had been no recent meetings and plans for the changing facilities had been given to Ian Duers who was apparently passing them to someone from Carlisle City Council. No members had taken a football coaching badge. A further report would be given for the meeting in November.

NOTED.

129. **REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS**

129.1 **CARLISLE PARISH COUNCIL'S ASSOCIATION**

NOTED the following report from Councillor Tarbitt on a recent meeting of the CPCA.

Hadrian's Wall Heritage: [David Mc Glade / Julie Sloan]

Outlined formation of one body in 2006 to replace NW Devel. Assoc. / INE because Hadrian's Wall underperforming as a tourist lever.

I asked why Hadrian's Wall bus was not an all year round service.

There is currently a scoping exercise to establish the number of loos and self service points along the Wall.

Important issue: PCs to appoint a Hadrian's Wall Representative to be waiting in the wings for action. PCs to notify Hadrian's Wall Heritage of nominee.

AGM

Chair's Report stated:

Affordable housing a crucial issue. A survey will be carried out to establish needs.

Village Halls: attendance at Workshops might determine whether or not grants might be available for refurbishment etc.

Planning Permission: Concern expressed re videos replacing site visits; retrospective planning permission particularly if PC has not recommended go ahead.

A reminder that all City Councillors have £2000pa available for their Ward for health related classes and activities.

My observation: a very unwelcoming group to new members!

129.2 **CARLISLE COMMUNITY LIAISON FORUM**

NOTED the following report from Councillor Tarbitt on a recent meeting of the Carlisle Community Liaison Forum, also attended by Councillor Lewsley.

This meeting was VERY poorly attended. Only 2 members of the public were there.

Discussion arose about the publicity for the meeting in view of the fact that, for example, no one represented any of the schools within the Forum's catchment area. This was particularly pertinent in view of the Topic and the fact that the 2 members of the public present had major issues around the safety of their children at school. The role of the police in cases of reported bullying was also a concern for them.

The main Speaker was either ill prepared to cover the advertised Topic or the Topic was misleadingly advertised. It was a Report full of jargon and one which did not mention children! Her concern was to justify how the Multi Agency Forum operated in Cumbria.

At the end of the meeting I made a recruitment presentation aimed to encourage more people to volunteer for the Cumbria Constabulary Volunteer Project.

A very disappointing meeting.

129.3 **JOINT PARISH PLAN GROUP**

NOTED a report from Councillor Ridley on a meeting of the Joint Parish Plan Group. The Group were unable to hold a proper meeting as there were not enough representatives present. Three Parish Council's have dropped out and Farlam is still uncertain whether to remain with the group. Brampton need to submit their updated Parish Plan.

129.4 BRAMPTON ECONOMIC ACTION GROUP

NOTED a report from Councillor Pattinson giving background details on the setting up of the Brampton Economic Action Group and the difficulty in finding an independent Chairman. Hazel Broatch who is Chairman at Low Luckens has been nominated as Chairman of the group but Brampton Parish Councillors feel that she is not independent.

Councillors Pattinson, G. Prest and Lewsley attended a meeting with representatives from the Chamber of Trade and Hadrian's Wall Heritage who could not understand the Parish Council's stance at asking for the post to be readvertised.

At a meeting last week, Councillor Pattinson spoke about the matter and the group felt that they would rather lose the involvement of the Parish Council than the Chairman but would keep the Council informed of developments.

Last week had seen the launch of the group which Chairman, Hazel Broatch, did not attend. Councillor Pattinson felt that the attitude of the rest of the group was extremely disappointing.

129.5 BRAMPTON COMMUNITY CENTRE

NOTED that Councillor Ridley had nothing to report from the recent AGM of Brampton Community Centre.

130. CALC

130.1 CALC CIRCULAR

The October 2009 edition of the CALC circular was submitted.

NOTED.

130.2 CALC AGM

NOTED that Councillor Pattinson would attend the CALC AGM on Saturday 14th November at Hundith Hall Hotel, Kendal.

131. BRAMPTON MOBILITY PLAN AND URBAN CYCLE NETWORK REVIEW

Details of the Brampton Mobility Plan and Urban Cycle Network Review from Mark Brierly, Cumbria County Council were submitted. Further to previous discussion of the matter under Public Participation, the following was **AGREED:-**

131.1 to set up a working group at the next Property and Environment Committee and invite members of the Travel Action Group to meeting of the working group.

131.2 that the Clerk write to Capita Symonds and ask that the Parish Council be included in future consultations.

132. PARKING ON VERGES

NOTED a report from Councillor Pennington on residents parking on verges at Parkhead and Berry Moor Road. Carlisle City Council has been out to investigate the matter and is now liaising with the police. Richard Heyward from Cumbria County Council has also been out to look at the problem and has asked that the Parish Council write a letter regarding the matter.

133. PROPOSED BMX TRACK/SKATEPARK

Discussion took place on how to progress with the proposed bmx track/skatepark.

133.1 AGREED to form a working group at the next meeting of the Property and Environment Committee meeting.

133.2 AGREED to mention the project in the BIG magazine.

134. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

NOTED that the following correspondence had been received:-

134.1 HEDGES AND VERGES ON GELT ROAD

134.1.1 Letter from Jim Breheny

134.1.2 Letter from Allan College

134.2 MEMORIAL ERECTION, OLD CHURCH, BRAMPTON – Letter from Mrs. M. McCabe

AGREED to grant permission

134.3 COMMUNITY LAND TRUSTS – Letter from Jeremy Hewitson, Carlisle City Council

AGREED to speak of Jeremy Hewitson and arrange a meeting to discuss how this works.

134.4 DEVELOPMENT TRUST FOR THE BRAMPTON AREA – Progress Report 4

134.5 UK CITY OF CULTURE 2013 – CARLISLE BID – Email from Ian McNichol

134.6 LITTER AND DOG FOULING IN BRAMPTON – Letter from anonymous

AGREED that the Clerk would pass on requests for bins and street lights to Councillor Mike Mitchelson.

Bins – Beckriggs, Greenfield Lane, Jocks Hill, The Mote, Sands, Dacre Road, Longtown to Old Church Lane footpath and Recreation Ground, Gelt Road.

Streetlights – Lovers Lane and the two bad corners on Gelt Road.

134.7 POLICE MATTERS

134.7.1 POLICE ATTENDANCE AT PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS – Letter from Inspector N. Thomson

From discussion earlier in the meeting under Police Matters, **AGREED** to reply.

134.7.2 RIDLEY GARDENS – Email from Sgt R. Harrison

135. LITERATURE AVAILABLE FROM CLERK

NOTED that the following literature is available from the office for any interested Councillors:-

135.1 FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE – 1 NOVEMBER 2009 to 28 FEBRUARY 2010

135.2 CUMBRIA HIGHWAYS – Issue 15 Autumn 2009

136. CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

After discussion:-

136.1 NOTED that the switch-on would take place on Friday 20th November 2009.

136.2 AGREED that:-

Councillors Read-Bone and Skimming would help with the queue for Santa
Councillors Harding Siddle and G. Prest would help in Showfield Car Park, and
Councillors Ridley, Smith and Thompson would help with refreshments

137. BUSINESS WHICH IN THE OPINION OF THE CHAIRMAN IS URGENT

138. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960 - To consider resolving, in terms of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and Standing Order No. 64, that, in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, (i.e. contract terms), it is advisable in the public interest that the public be temporarily excluded and that they be instructed to withdraw.

139. GROUNDS MAINTENANCE CONTRACT 2010-2013

Councillor G. Prest reported on the tenders received for the Grounds Maintenance Contract 2010-2013. A short list of Cut n' Edge and Mr. P. Reynolds was drawn up for interview. Councillors Pattinson and G. Prest had interviewed both parties and recommended that the contract be awarded to Cut n' Edge.

AGREED unanimously to accept the recommendation to award the Grounds Maintenance Contract 2010-2013 to Cut n' Edge in the sum of £39,500.00 per annum.

PRESENT

Councillor G. R. Prest (in the Chair)
Councillor J. J. Harding
Councillor Mrs. C. Ridley
Councillor Mrs. J. Prest

Councillor Mrs. S Lewsley
Councillor Mrs. J. Thompson
Councillor Mrs. M. Smith

IN ATTENDANCE - Clerk

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Councillors Elliott and Pattinson

140. MINUTE

140.1 Minute of the Meeting held on 13th October 2009 was submitted.

APPROVED.

140.2 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

GROUNDS MAINTENANCE CONTRACT (Min. 113)

140.2.1 NOTED a report from Councillor G. Prest that Cut n' Edge had been awarded the Grounds Maintenance Contract and that Peter Reynolds would be staying on as caretaker.

141. FINANCIAL MATTERS -

141.1 BANK RECONCILIATIONS TO 31ST OCTOBER 2009

There was submitted a report by the Clerk on the reconciliation of the Council's financial records with its bank and Building Society accounts statements.

NOTED the report.

141.2 IMPREST

There was submitted a report by the Clerk advising of the income received and the expenditure incurred since the last meeting through the imprest system.

NOTED

141.3 FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS

There was submitted a report by the Clerk detailing the expenditure incurred and the income received since the last report to this Committee.

141.3.1 APPROVED the expenditure of £16,628.87 detailed in the Appendix hereto

141.3.2 NOTED the income of £310.00 detailed in the Appendix hereto.

141.4 EXPENDITURE TO APPROVE

There was submitted a report by the Clerk detailing expenditure to approve.

APPROVED the expenditure of £1,172.98 detailed in the Appendix hereto.

141.5 BUDGET 2010/2011

Councillor G. Prest reported on the proposed budget for 2010/2011. The Clerk gave details of high expenditure which had not been budgeted for in the current year which would result in an overall loss but explained that the Council had fairly high reserves and could cope with this.

Councillor G. Prest recommended the budget with no increase to the precept as in the present economic climate it was prudent to keep the precept at the same level.

141.5.1 NOTED the report.

141.5.2 AGREED to recommend that the precept be set at £88,878.00

142. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

NOTED that no requests for financial assistance had been received

143. CAST IRON FINGER POST AT GELT ROAD/PAVING BROW

A letter was submitted from David Gosling with a quote of £423.72 + vat for the work required to restore the cast iron finger post at Gelt Road/Paving Brow.

143.1 NOTED the letter

143.2 AGREED to accept the quote in the sum of £423.72 + vat

143.3 AGREED while surveying footpaths in the area to check other cast iron finger posts for any required repairs

144. CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

Discussion took place on the lack of Christmas lighting near Hadrian's statue. The Clerk explained that lighting had been purchased for the trees in the area but that due to unexpectedly high costs from Amey for installation, the required electrical work to supply the lighting in the area had not been completed.

After further discussion, **AGREED** to:-

144.1 Install a 15 to 20 foot Christmas tree near Hadrian's statue and pay a nearby resident for the supply of electric if agreed with the Property and Environment Committee.

144.2 Look into using some of the capital from the Allison Bequest Account to fund the installation work required at Hadrian's statue for new lighting and the purchase of further new lights.

Expenditure

£	Supplier	Detail
234.00	British Gas	Heat & Light
205.00	Carlisle City Council	Rates
82.00	Carlisle City Council	Rates
3327.99	Cut n' Edge	Grounds Maintenance
50.00	E-on	Heat & Light
32.99	Vodafone	Telephone
633.34	Orchard Grounds Mnce	Grounds Maintenance
41.40	Cannon	Moot Hall
931.13	BRHS	Office
520.33	Playdale	Parks
79.63	Chandlers	Moot Hall
23.00	Brampton Skips	Brampton In Bloom
149.50	A Frizell	Clay Dubbs
95.09	P Skimming	Brampton In Bloom
3952.45	Beattie Memorials	St Martins Church
95.00	BIG	Office
56.99	Lyreco	Office
621.00	Lowthers	Open Spaces
14.58	ABW	Moot Hall
1008.00	Visual Imprint	Special Projects
632.50	BDO Stoy Hayward	Auditor
35.00	Data Commissioner	Office
15.00	Carlisle City Council	Open Spaces
2027.84	HMR&C	Staff
105.00	J Ratcliffe	Staff
1409.19	A Riddell	Staff
40.92	United Utilities	Open Spaces
210.00	P Reynolds	Staff
<u>£16,628.87</u>		

Income

£	Detail	Cost centre
310.00	Market Tolls	Market
<u>£310.00</u>		

Expenditure To Approve

£	Supplier	Detail
298.88	Business Finance Solutions	Office - copier
97.75	Cumbria Clock Company	Moot Hall
233.84	BRHS	Office
18.34	ABW	Open Spaces
150.00	Petty Cash	Office
57.50	Brampton Skip Hire	Brampton In Bloom
316.67	Orchard Grounds Mnce	Open Spaces
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£1172.98		

PRESENT

Councillor K. Siddle (in the chair)
Councillor I. A. Pennington
Councillor J. L. Tweddle
Councillor K. Read-Bone

Councillor G. Prest
Councillor Mrs. P. Skimming
Councillor Mrs. J. Prest

IN ATTENDANCE – Clerk

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Councillors Pattinson and Tarbitt

145. MINUTES

145.1 MINUTE

Minute of the meeting held on 13th October 2009 was submitted.

APPROVED

145.2. MATTERS ARISING

NONE

146. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

147. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING - APPLICATIONS

147.1 WARREN BANK, STATION ROAD, BRAMPTON – Change of approved house type – house to bungalow (Plot 4)

No comment

147.2 19 FRONT STREET, BRAMPTON – Change of use of A1 (shop) to A1 and A3 mixed use (café/bistro with ancillary takeaway sales)

No comment

147.3 15 ASHLEA, BRAMPTON – Single storey extensions to provide bedroom, lounge and entrance lobby extensions to front elevation and dining/kitchen extension to rear

No comment

148. NOTIFICATION OF DECISIONS -

A note of the decisions of the appropriate planning authority on applications on which the Committee or Parish Council had previously been consulted was submitted.

NOTED.

149. BUDGET 2010/2011

There was submitted a report by the Clerk on provisional estimates of income and expenditure for the financial year 2010/2011.

Councillor G. Prest stated that the Finance and General Purposes Committee would be recommending no increase in the precept. The Parish Council has healthy balances and if any outstanding projects arose, we have sufficient funds in reserves to pay for them.

AGREED to approve the proposed budget for the Property and Environment Committee, with no increase to the precept.

150. BMX TRACK/SKATEPARK

From the last Council meeting it had been proposed to form a working group to progress the BMX/Skatepark Project.

AGREED that Councillors Tarbitt, J. Prest. G. Prest and Siddle would form the working group.

151. BRAMPTON MOBILITY PLAN AND URBAN CYCLE NETWORK REVIEW

From the last Council meeting it had been proposed to form a working group to discuss the Brampton Mobility Plan and Urban Cycle Network Review.

AGREED that Councillors Skimming, Pennington and Siddle would form the working group.

152. CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

Councillor G. Prest reported that from the Finance and General Purposes Committee, it had been agreed to purchase a tree to situate near Hadrian's statue and pay a nearby resident for the electric supply. Next year the Council would look into purchasing better lights and look at using some of the capital from the Allison Bequest Account to fund lights and installation.

152.1 NOTED the report.

152.2 AGREED to the siting of a tree at Hadrian's statue

152.3 AGREED to use some of the capital from the Allison Bequest Account to fund new lights.

PRESENT

Councillor Mrs. J. L. Pattinson (Chairman) (in the Chair)	Councillor J. L. Tweddle
Councillor G. R. Prest	Councillor K. Siddle
Councillor Mrs. P. Skimming	Councillor J. J. Harding
Councillor I. A. Pennington	Councillor Mrs. C. Ridley
Councillor Mrs. V. A. Tarbitt	Councillor Mrs. J. Prest
Councillor Mrs. P. J. Thompson	Councillor Mrs. S. Lewsley

IN ATTENDANCE – Clerk

ALSO ATTENDING – Councillors M. Mitchelson and Councillor S. Layden Carlisle City Council and Councillor L. Fisher, Cumbria County Council.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Councillors Smith and Read-Bone

153. CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

NOTED that Councillor Pattinson thanked all Councillors who had turned up to help on the night of the switch-on and credit to the caretakers for erecting the lights. Thanks also to Brampton Fairtrade Group for helping with tea and coffee and Santa for doing a marvellous job of switching on the lights and entertaining the children.

154. POLICE MATTERS

154.1 MONTHLY REPORT

NOTED a report from PC Turner and PCSO Carly Watson on recent incidents in and around Brampton. There had been 1 or 2 garage burglaries outside of Brampton, a couple of collisions, crime was fairly low although anti-social behaviour was fairly ongoing, however there were things in place to tackle this such as acceptable behaviour contracts and speaking to parents.

Councillor raised the following concerns:-

- 5-6 youths on bikes near the Co-op have almost knocked into people as they are using the pavement
- In the past week there have been several incidents of anti-social behaviour at St. Martin's Church where mobile phone numbers and names have been scratched into stonework, evidence of glue sniffing behind the church and the organ has had to be repaired as coke had been poured into the pipes. The Church was now being locked during the day.
- No report on the needles found in the bin near the newsagents on Front Street.

PC Turner would report back to the Parish Council on matters raised.

155. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

156. MINUTES

156.1 MINUTE

Minute of the Meeting held on 27th October 2009 was submitted.

APPROVED.

157.2 MATTERS ARISING

157.2.1 TARN END HOUSE HOTEL (Min. 122.2.4)

NOTED that the City Council were still negotiating with the developer to widen the footpath at the Tarn End Hotel.

157.2.2 NEW HEALTH CENTRE (Min. 122.2.3)

NOTED that Kay Wilson from the PCT had not replied to the Clerk regarding a presentation at tonight's meeting.

Councillor Fisher reported that an agreement had been signed with the appointed LIFT Company who were doing a financial appraisal. The last public consultation had taken place on 30th September 2009 but the Parish Council had not been invited.

Councillor Siddle felt that there was a lack of consultation.

AGREED, after further discussion, that the Clerk would write to Fiona Huntington at the PCT and local MP David Maclean.

158. COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were submitted Minutes of Meetings of

Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 10th November 2009

Property and Environment Committee held on 10th November 2009

158.1 NOTED the Minutes.

158.2 APPROVED the recommendations for implementation

159. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr. J. March attended the meeting and wanted to talk about public participation. Mr. March felt that the Council wasn't doing enough or providing sufficient details, he felt it would be more useful if information was published on the internet. Mr. March also felt that the Minutes should contain more details and submitted an example of Minutes from another Council. Mr. March added that Minutes and Reports for current meetings should be available online for people to look at in advance as overall the way things are done is limited.

Mr. P. Brownlow, also attending the meeting, supported Mr. March's comments as he had looked online for details of the Council's finances.

Councillor G. Prest was pleased that Mr. Brownlow had raised this point as a decision on the precept for 2010/2011 would be made at this particular meeting; however, Councillor G. Prest felt that it was a dangerous precedent to put unapproved Minutes on the internet.

The Clerk stated that she would not be issuing Minutes that were full of who said what to whom. Minutes were to show a record of what had been resolved. A website had been looked into but initial costs were too high therefore other providers would be looked into. The Clerk had provided Mr. March Minutes from 1st April 2008 to date, Allotment Agreements and Agenda for tonight's meeting by email as requested.

159.1 NOTED comments from members of the public

159.2 AGREED to put "Parish Council Website" on the Agenda for the next meeting.

159.3 NOTED that Councillor Tarbitt would pass details of a web designer to the Clerk.

160. POLICE MATTERS

160.1 ATTENDANCE AT PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

A letter was submitted from Inspector N. Thomson regarding police attendance at Parish Council meetings.

NOTED the letter.

161. PRECEPT 2010/2011

NOTED a report from Councillor G. Prest re-iterating the proposed budget for 2010/2011 and that in the present financial climate there should be no increase in the precept.

AGREED that the precept for the next financial year be set at £88,878.00

162. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING - APPLICATIONS

Applications for planning consent were submitted.

AGREED to advise the appropriate Planning Authority of the Council's comments as follows:-

162.1 FIELD TO SOUTH OF OLD CHURCH LANE AND TO EAST OF CEMETERY, BRAMPTON – Erection of agricultural workers dwelling (outline)

No comment

163. FOOTBALL CHANGING FACILITIES AT KING GEORGE V FIELD

The Clerk submitted a report from Tim Hill, Chairman of the Brampton Youth and Community Football Project. There was nothing further to report from Ian Duers who had the plans for the changing facility and a meeting would be arranged for early next year.

Councillor Layden reported that Mark Beveridge at Carlisle City Council was looking into outside funding for the project.

NOTED.

164. REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS

164.1 EFFECTIVE COUNCIL TRAINING

NOTED a report from Councillor Lewsley on having learnt quite a lot while attending module 1 of the effective Council training at Hethersgill Village Hall.

165.2 JOINT PARISH PLAN GROUP

NOTED a report from Councillors Ridley and Pattinson on a meeting of the Joint Parish Plan Group. Three Parish Council's have dropped out and Farlam is still uncertain whether to remain with the Group, however remaining members would carry on. Members had discussed public consultation in outlying villages and feelings of frustration at some of the ideas that other groups were coming up with.

Councillor Pattinson had attended a recent meeting of the Brampton Economic Partnership to discuss various matters but was unable to do this as the Agenda was rearranged and Councillor Pattinson had to leave the meeting before the subject she wished to speak on was heard. Councillor Pattinson asked members of the Parish Plan Group whether they wanted a representative from another Parish to attend such meetings but the group felt that they didn't want to be part of it.

166. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 – RESIGNATION

It was reported that Mr. M. Elliott had resigned from membership of the Parish Council and that the statutory by-election advertisement had been published

166.1 NOTED the report and the publication of the statutory advertisement.

166.2 APPROVED the invitation of letters of interest from persons wishing to serve on the Parish Council should there be no call for a by-election.

167. CALC

167.1 CALC CIRCULAR

The November 2009 edition of the CALC circular was submitted.

NOTED.

168. BRAMPTON DEVELOPMENT TRUST

168.1 ATTENDANCE OF MEETINGS

Councillor Siddle reported that he has been unable to attend meetings of the Brampton Development Trust as they are on the same night as Parish Council meetings. Occasionally they have an alternative night which Councillor Siddle is also unable to attend.

Councillor Ridley also had the same problem attending other committee meetings at the Community Centre and felt it was done deliberately.

168.1.1 NOTED the comments

168.1.2 AGREED to write to the group and inform them of the clash of meetings as this did not allow for feedback.

168.2 PROGRESS REPORT 5

A progress report from Mr. B. Allan was submitted regarding the Brampton Development Trust.

NOTED.

169. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

NOTED that the following correspondence had been received:-

169.1 PUBLIC FOOTPATH 105015, BRAMPTON – Letter from David Gibson, Rights of Way Officer, Cumbria County Council.

NOTED that it doesn't appear that the Parish Council can do much more but to continue reporting horses and motorbikes along the footpath when seen.

169.2 BUSES IN BRAMPTON – Letter from Mr. D. Moore

AGREED by majority, after discussion, to inform the bus company regarding the possibility of re- routing the buses along Main Street.

169.3 CPCA JOINT MEETING, 30TH NOVEMBER 2009 – Email and attachment from R. Auld, Chairman

NOTED that Councillor Pattinson will attend.

169.4 SIGNAGE – Email from Linda Dodd, Tourist Information Assistant

AGREED to refer the matter to the City Council.

169.5 RECREATION GROUND DIG – Letter from Tommy Akitt, Solway Diggers

AGREED to invite the Solway Diggers to the February meeting.

169.5 CARLISLE FUNDING FAIR – 28TH JANUARY 2010 – Letter from Neil Griffiths, External Funding Officer, Carlisle City Council

NOTED that Councillor Tarbitt would inform the Clerk if she was able to attend.

169.6 CHANGES TO BUS SERVICES 185/685 BRAMPTON-CARLISLE – Letter from Mark Hodgkiss, Passenger Transport Officer, Cumbria County Council

169.7 BRANCH TEMPORARY CLOSURE, KERSHOPEFOOT, NEWCASTLETON – Letter from Ian Liley, Field Change Advisor, Post Office

AGREED to express our concerns at the temporary closure

170. LITERATURE AVAILABLE FROM CLERK

NOTED that the following literature is available from the office for any interested Councillors:-

170.1 FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE – 1 DECEMBER 2009 to 31 MARCH 2010

171. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

AGREED that due to the Christmas holiday period, Committee and Council meetings for December will be held on Tuesday 15th December.

PRESENT

Councillor Mrs. J. L. Pattinson (Chairman) (in the Chair)	Councillor K. Read-Bone
Councillor G. R. Prest	Councillor K. Siddle
Councillor Mrs. P. Skimming	Councillor J. J. Harding
Councillor I. A. Pennington	Councillor Mrs. C. Ridley
Councillor Mrs. V. A. Tarbitt	Councillor Mrs. J. Prest
Councillor Mrs. P. J. Thompson	Councillor Mrs. S. Lewsley
Councillor Mrs. M. Smith	

IN ATTENDANCE – Clerk

ALSO ATTENDING – Councillor L. Fisher, Cumbria County Council.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Councillor Twedde
Councillors M. Mitchelson and Councillor S. Layden Carlisle City Council

172. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

173. MINUTES

173.1 MINUTE

Minute of the Meeting held on 24th November 2009 was submitted.

APPROVED after amending “poured into pipes” to “spilled on stops” Min. 154.1

173.2 MATTERS ARISING

173.2.1 BUSES IN BRAMPTON (Min. 169.2)

173.2.1.1 NOTED a reply from Bob Cook, Operations Manager at Stagecoach.

173.2.1.2 AGREED to follow the matter up with police involvement and site visits.

173.2.2 NEW HEALTH CENTRE (Min. 157.2.2)

173.2.2.1 NOTED that Councillor Pattinson had not yet written to Fiona Huntington or David Maclean as she had been away.

173.2.2.2 NOTED that Councillor Fisher reported that Claire Poulter would be giving a presentation on the health centre at the next Neighbourhood Forum meeting to be held on 11th January 2010 at William Howard School.

173.2.3 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

NOTED that the Moot Hall roof lights were continually blowing a fuse and the caretaker suspected that water was getting in somewhere and would investigate over the next weekend. The lights on the tree at Hadrian’s Statue have been vandalised beyond repair. The Parish Council would like to do more lights in the town when funding was available.

174. POLICE MATTERS

174.1 POLICE REPORT

NOTED a report submitted by email from PC Liz Turner detailing the following:

During the last Parish Council Meeting, the following issues were raised:

Syringes reported being found in the Front Street Brampton litter bins.

Since the last meeting, PC Turner has been in liaison with Environmental Health, Carlisle City Council. The information has been disseminated to Brampton Police Officers and the CCTV operator at Carlisle has been made aware of the situation (there is a camera located on the bottom of Gelt Rd., Brampton).

Anti Social Behaviour: St. Martins Church, Brampton.

PC Turner has spoken to two youths (in the presence of their parents) who regularly congregate at the church. Enquiries are still on going.

Recent Incidents in Brampton:

Between the 3rd and the 5th December 09 five burglaries of outbuildings were reported in the Capon Tree Road, Paving Brow areas of Brampton. Entry was gained into five outbuildings but no property was taken. One male has since been arrested and enquires are still in progress.

Several reports have been received in early December of a male in Brampton town and the surrounding areas purporting to be from the Red Cross, asking for donations. It is believed this male is a bogus caller. The male is described as white, approximately 6' 2" tall, with plaited dreadlock style hair, wearing a brown jacket.

175. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

175.1 NOTED that no members of the public wished to participate at this point.

175.2 NOTED a report from Councillor Pattinson on a recent meeting with Councillor Lewsley and Mr. Jon March, who confirmed that a website for the Parish Council could be done through google. Councillor Pattinson would permit Mr. March to speak when the matter was raised later in the meeting.

176. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING - APPLICATIONS

Applications for planning consent were submitted.

AGREED to advise the appropriate Planning Authority of the Council's comments as follows:-

176.1 GREEN SIDE, GREEN LANE, BRAMPTON – Erection of conservatory to rear elevation and porch to front elevation

No comment

176.2 BRAMPTON PLAYHOUSE, MOAT SIDE, BRAMPTON – Demolition of redundant Brampton Playhouse and erection of 5 dwellings with on site parking (CAC)

After discussion, **AGREED** to **OBJECT** with the following comments:-

- the proposal is not in keeping with the conservation area
- inappropriate house design
- overdevelopment of the site
- lack of adequate residents' parking provision
- concern on road safety grounds at the proposed access/exit to the public highway

176.3 SHAW BROW, NAWORTH, BRAMPTON – Ground floor alterations and extensions to existing dwelling to

create granny annexe with two storey extensions to provide additional bedrooms and living space

No comment

177. FINANCIAL MATTERS -

177.1 BANK RECONCILIATIONS TO 30TH NOVEMBER 2009

There was submitted a report by the Clerk on the reconciliation of the Council's financial records with its bank and Building Society accounts statements.

NOTED the report.

177.2 IMPREST

There was submitted a report by the Clerk advising of the income received and the expenditure incurred since the last meeting through the imprest system.

NOTED

177.3 FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS

There was submitted a report by the Clerk detailing the expenditure incurred and the income received since the last report to this Committee.

177.3.1 APPROVED the expenditure of £7,725.70 detailed in the Appendix hereto

177.3.2 NOTED the income of £1084.15 detailed in the Appendix hereto.

177.4 EXPENDITURE TO APPROVE

There was submitted a report by the Clerk detailing expenditure to approve.

APPROVED the expenditure of £2,256.02 detailed in the Appendix hereto.

177.5 APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE- BRAMPTON SILVER BAND

There was submitted an application for financial assistance from Brampton Silver Band requesting £200.00 towards the purchase of music books.

AGREED to donate £200.00.

177.6 CONDITIONS OF SERVICE - POST OF ODD JOB MAN

There was submitted a report by the Clerk regarding the implementation of a pay award in respect of the wage payable to the odd job man, agreed by the National Joint Council for Local Authority Services (NJC), with effect from 1st April 2009.

AGREED to the implementation of the award, increasing the wage to £6.65 per hour with effect from 1st April 2009.

178. REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS

178.1 SKATEPARK/BMX TRACK WORKING GROUP

NOTED a report from Councillor G. Prest on a recent meeting of the working group discussing proposals for a skatepark/bmx track in Brampton. The group felt that the only location for the facility would be King George V field and that residents neighbouring the field should be consulted about the proposal as the Parish Council do not want to antagonise people. If residents were happy with the proposal, the group would then consult with Carlisle City Council on how to progress the project.

NOTED that Councillor Tarbitt reported that in the Cumberland News there was a group being set up 'against' such a proposal and that the Parish Council wanted to avoid the matter going to press before local residents have been consulted.

NOTED that Councillor Fisher reported that Carlisle City Council were looking into providing a Multi Games Area in Brampton and that perhaps the Parish Council should be looking into linking the two projects together.

AGREED that the Parish Council should meet with the City Council and find out their proposals.

Following on from discussion of the proposed skatepark/bmx track at King George V field, Councillor Pattinson pointed out that in the Minutes of the Community Centre Association meeting held in September attended by Councillor Ridley, it was mentioned that the Association would help with the management of the new changing facility. Councillor Ridley could not remember this being mentioned at the meeting. Councillor Pattinson pointed out that the changing facility was nothing to do with the Community Centre.

178.2 CPCA ASSOCIATION

NOTED a report by Councillor Pattinson on the recent joint meeting of the CPCA with Carlisle City Council. The meeting had been low-key with a farewell to several officers, in particular Ian Dixon. Mention had also been made to the Monitoring effect on the Parish Charter and Affordable Housing in rural communities.

178.3 JOINT PARISH PLAN GROUP

NOTED a report from Councillor Pattinson on a meeting of the Joint Parish Plan Group. Three Parish Council's have dropped out; however remaining members would carry on. The group have also agreed that each parish will make a small contribution based on the number of households in each parish and that the Clerk would give some time to the group.

Councillor Pattinson submitted copies of the previous Parish Plan for information.

178.4 BRAMPTON ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP

Councillor Pattinson had attended a recent meeting of the Brampton Economic Partnership even though it had been decided that the Parish Council should no longer be involved. At the last meeting Councillor Pattinson had stated that she would have to leave the meeting early but would like to speak on a couple of points, the agenda was then rearranged and Councillor Pattinson had to leave the meeting before the subject she wished to speak on was heard. At this particular meeting the allocation of the £30,000.00 funding received from Carlisle City Council was being discussed. It resulted in the money being spent on consultancy fees for the conservation area and when Councillor Pattinson had said the money could be better spent perhaps on a traffic survey or improving the parking already in place by painting the cobbles she was told to go and paint the cobbles herself. Alison Cheetham from the Chamber of Trade had previously stated that the money would be spent on a traffic survey. The group had also stated that it was of low importance that the Parish Council attend.

Councillor Pattinson explained that the group had grown from the Chamber of Trade wanting to do something to improve and promote Brampton and that any funding received would go towards improving the economic well being of Brampton.

Councillor Fisher stated that he felt the whole thing had gone completely wrong and getting consultants in would not help the economic viability of Brampton. Councillor Fisher felt that the group had been taken over by the Community Centre and Sustainable Brampton and that the Parish Council should continue to attend and give its own ideas to the chairman of the group.

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Councillor Siddle stated that if the group had been set up for a particular purpose then that is what the money should be used for and that the Parish Council should challenge the group's proposed spending.

AGREED to write to Carlisle City Council stating that the Parish Council had grave concerns at what the funding

was being spent on and the sympathies of the group and chairman.

178.5 CARLISLE PARISH COUNCIL ASSOCIATION

Councillor Ridley reported that due to lack of time she has had to resign from her position on the Executive Committee of the Carlisle Parish Council Association.

AGREED that Councillor Tarbitt would attend future meetings and that the Clerk would inform Gwen Dumpleton.

179. BRAMPTON IN BLOOM WORKING GROUP

NOTED a report from Councillor Ridley that after discussion with Councillors Thompson and Skimming it was not feasible to enter the Brampton In Bloom competition as there is no way that we can improve as we are not doing anything different and community groups aren't interested in helping. It usually ends up with only two or three people helping out and recent comments from the judges had been strident.

AGREED, after discussion, to give it one last go and make better use of our contractors as it was a lot of funding for plants that we would be turning down and there was nothing available in the budget for plants as the precept had already been set.

180. PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE

The Clerk reported that Councillor Tarbitt had given details of a web designer and that another local company had been contacted. The Clerk wanted included in a website Moot Hall diary, Brampton Cemetery, footpaths, local history, contact details, committee reports, agendas, minutes etc allowing the Clerk to update as required.

Mr. March stated that he felt the above could be done using Google but would take a lot of setting up and was a question of comparing means with company providers. Google also gave the ability to add-on. Mr. March also stated that a forum or comments page would be a good idea although Councillor Tarbitt felt that users should not be able to leave anonymous comments as this would be open to abuse.

NOTED that the Clerk would report back after speaking to those web designers already contacted.

181. CALC

181.1 CALC CIRCULAR

The December 2009/January 2010 edition of the CALC circular was submitted.

181.1.1 NOTED the circular.

181.1.2 NOTED that Councillor Pattinson felt that the Parish Council was well served by County Councillor Fisher at meetings and this was appreciated by all members.

182. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

NOTED that the following correspondence had been received:-

182.1 CARLISLE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK/DRAFT STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT – Letter from Chris Hardman, Local Plans and Conservation Manager

NOTED that Councillor Lewsley would summarise the statement for the next meeting.

182.2 SPEED CUSHIONS AT SAWMILL LANE – Letter from Sarah Steel, Highways Technician, Cumbria Highways.

No comment

182.3 PASSENGER TRANSPORT TIMETABLE INFORMATION – Letter from Cheryl Cowperthwaite, Cumbria County Council.

AGREED to contact Cheryl Cowperthwaite and ask if it was possible for the bus company to link with trains stopping at Brampton station.

182.4 SAFE AS HOUSES HANDYPERSON – Letter from Tracy Andrew, Regeneration Officer, Riverside.

AGREED to include letter in BIG magazine.

183. LITERATURE AVAILABLE FROM CLERK

NOTED that the following literature is available from the office for any interested Councillors:-

183.1 EDEN RIVERS TRUST NEWSLETTER – Winter 2009

183.2 ALLOTMENTS REGENERATION INITIATIVE – Newsletter Autumn 2009

184. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

NOTED that the date of the next meeting is 26th January 2010 with Committee meetings on 12th January 2010.

Expenditure

£	Supplier	Detail
234.00	British Gas	Heat & Light
205.00	Carlisle City Council	Rates
82.00	Carlisle City Council	Rates
3327.99	Cut n' Edge	Grounds Maintenance
50.00	E-on	Heat & Light
34.14	Vodafone	Telephone
237.01	British Telecom	Office phone
316.67	Orchard Grounds Mnce	Grounds Maintenance
233.84	BRHS	Office
298.88	Bus Finance Solutions	Office - photocopier
97.75	Cumbria Clock Company	Moot Hall
18.34	ABW	Moot Hall
150.00	Petty Cash	Office
57.50	Brampton Skips	Brampton In Bloom
87.03	Glowsticks Direct	Christmas Lights
250.00	N Graham	Christmas Lights
75.00	Jason the juggling Jester	Christmas Lights
1459.19	A Riddell	Staff & Xmas lights
152.04	J Ratcliffe	Staff
196.80	P Reynolds	Staff
54.00	A Riddell	Office - mileage
50.00	Dornock & Creca Citty Cncl	Christmas Lights
44.79	Dalton ID - tags	Gelt Woods
8.73	C Ridley	Christmas Lights
5.00	Hethersgill PC	Memebers - training
£7,725.70		

Income

£	Detail	Cost centre
355.00	Market Tolls	Market
15.00	Scaleby PCC	Moot Hall
15.00	Talkin Tarn ARC	Moot Hall
45.00	Cumbria Wildlife Trust	Moot Hall
55.00	Sustainable Brampton	Moot Hall
15.00	Old People's Ass'n	Moot Hall
70.00	J Watson	Cemetery
70.00	Pip Hall	Cemetery
70.00	I Robinson	Cemetery
374.15	Cartmell Shepherd	Open Spaces
£1,084.15		

Expenditure Approved

£	Supplier	Detail
41.40	Cannon	Moot Hall
31.03	Lyreco	Office
833.73	Andidrain	Parks
84.89	ABW	Moot Hall/Xmas lights
103.25	Canon	Office
530.73	Blachere	Xmas lights
85.00	Carlisle City Council	Moot Hall
194.32	J Ratcliffe	Staff
316.67	Orchard Grounds Mnce	Open Spaces
35.00	Tarn Road Nursery	Xmas lights
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<u>£2256.02</u>		

PRESENT

Councillor Mrs. J. L. Pattinson (Chairman) (in the Chair)	Councillor K. Read-Bone
Councillor J. L. Tweddle	Councillor K. Siddle
Councillor Mrs. M. Smith	Councillor J. J. Harding
Councillor I. A. Pennington	Councillor Mrs. C. Ridley
Councillor Mrs. V. A. Tarbitt	Councillor Mrs. J. Prest
Councillor Mrs. P. J. Thompson	Councillor Mrs. S. Lewsley

IN ATTENDANCE – Clerk

ALSO ATTENDING – Councillor L. Fisher, Cumbria County Council
Councillor S. Layden, Carlisle City Council

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Councillors G. Prest and Skimming
Councillor M. Mitchelson, Carlisle City Council

185. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

186. MINUTES

186.1 MINUTE

Minute of the Meeting held on 15th December 2009 was submitted.

APPROVED after amending the last sentence of the first paragraph to “some members of the group”
Min. 178.4

186.2 MATTERS ARISING

186.2.1 NEW HEALTH CENTRE (Min. 173.2.2)

186.2.1.1 NOTED that Councillor Pattinson had spoken to David Maclean’s office who had received correspondence from other groups concerned at the progress of the health centre. Mr. Maclean was working closely with the cottage hospital.

186.2.1.2 NOTED that Councillor Fisher reported that Fiona Huntington had given a presentation on the health centre at the last Neighbourhood Forum meeting but little information was given as a site has not even been chosen yet. Cockermouth would now be leading and it appeared that Brampton would be going on a “back burner” however various officers were looking into the matter and trying to drive things along.

186.2.2 APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE – BRAMPTON SILVER BAND (Min 177.5)

NOTED that the Clerk had spoken to Mr. Harrison from the group and had informed them that they were welcome to reapply for further funding.

186.2.3 SKATEPARK/BMX TRACK WORKING GROUP (Min 178.1)

NOTED that Councillor Tarbitt had been referring to a group lobbying against a proposed bmx track/skatepark in Penrith and not a group in Brampton.

186.2.4 PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE (Min. 180)

NOTED that the matter would be discussed at the next meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee.

187. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 – FILLING OF VACANCY

There were previously submitted letters expressing an interest in membership of the Parish Council from Mrs.S. Ritchie and Mr. J. D. Hendry. Mrs. S. Ritchie attended the meeting and spoke in support of her application.

Councillor Read-Bone seconded by Councillor Ridley proposed a signed ballot.

AGREED, following a signed ballot, (7 votes to 5) to co-opt Mr. J. D. Hendry to membership of the Parish Council.

188. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

NOTED that members of the public present did not wish to participate at this point.

189. POLICE MATTERS

189.1 POLICE REPORT

NOTED a report submitted by email from PC Liz Turner detailing the following:

I am sorry - I am on a day shift today and I would normally have changed my shift to come along tonight but I've got something going on at home tonight so its not possible. Insp Thomson is on leave and Carly is rest day.

In relation to the minutes from the last meeting: (@ 174.1)

The issues of syringes in waste bins was brought to the attention of the environmental health at the City Council-they were previously unaware of the problem. Local Community Police Officers and Community Support Officers are aware and regular checks are being conducted of local youths congregating in the area. On occasions where officers observe youths in Front St. the CCTV operator is being asked to monitor their behaviour.

Regards ASB at the church. Carly is keeping regular contact with their church Warden, Leonard James. The church has now decided to keep the doors closed in between planned services. To date no new ASB incidents have been reported to Police.

On thing of note is that as a result of a recent "Safer Stronger" meeting where local priorities are set, it was agreed between the Police and those members of the public present that "Parking" was a problem in Brampton, in particular in the town centre. Local officers are therefore being asked to focus their attention towards inappropriate parking, particularly during the day. Although parking in restricted areas has now been decriminalised and as such is the remit of Carlisle City Council Parking Wardens, police can nevertheless issue non endorsable fixed penalty tickets for unnecessary obstruction.

Finally, on Wednesday 17th Feb. between 930pm and 12pm local police will be upstairs in the Moot Hall. Week commencing 15th Feb. is our Neighbourhood Policing week, renamed our "Confidence Campaign" on this occasion. Local DIY stores ABW and Homebase (Carlisle) have very kindly donated a number of high quality home security products ranging from padlocks, security chains and external security lights. PC Turner and PCSO Watson have organised a crime prevention quiz and eight winners will be chosen. It would be great if you could come along.

NOTED there were no matters of concern to be passed to the police.

190. SUSTAINABLE BRAMPTON

NOTED a report from Bob Allan and Ann Oswin of Sustainable Brampton on proposed renewable energy projects on land at Capon Tree Hill.

Carlisle City Council has been asked if it would release the land at Capon Tree Hill for energy regeneration but to date no decision has been made as there is a problem with boundary ownership. In the meantime, Sustainable Brampton has set up with a government agency who support this type of project in order to look at the proposal.

Sustainable Brampton are looking into developing an energy plan, getting feedback as to what the community needs as the local areas characteristics make it suitable for various types of energy such as hydro, biomass, wind and solar. The group are pursuing the idea in order to make Brampton more self sufficient, lower carbon emissions and earn money for the community. In looking into an energy plan the group are also investigating how much energy the community consumes and what can be done to minimise this e.g. insulation.

The low carbon community challenge is looking for projects in reducing carbon emissions, Sustainable Brampton have a bid with this challenge and are on the verge of an initiative around that issue.

Sustainable Brampton are one of six groups in Cumbria who are part of the Green Communities who in turn are supported by the Energy Saving Trust. A questionnaire is being drafted with possible delivery in March to gain information from people in the community and to give back possibilities for energy saving such as harnessing water to provide electricity for small communities which is more efficient than energy from the national grid. The Parish Council were asked if they would like to be involved with the questionnaire and that representatives of Sustainable Brampton would be happy to come to further meetings to discuss progress.

Councillors raised the following concerns:-

Councillor Lewsley was concerned at the amount of non elected groups going round with some plan or issue and that she had not been consulted individually on any of the aforementioned proposals and asked where would consultations be?

Response - *Anyone can join the group*

Councillor Pattinson explained that the group had been invited to discuss their proposals after the Cumberland News had contacted Councillor Pattinson asking for comments on the proposed wind turbines detailed on the Sustainable Brampton website. The matter had not been previously discussed at a Parish Council meeting.

Response – *There is no proposal as such just ideas that need explored, the project will only happen if Carlisle City Council agree.*

Councillor Siddle stated that wind generation was an emotive subject in the press and that there could be difficulty with Sustainable Brampton doing such a project without wider consultation, perhaps the group hadn't thought about the environmental impact. Photovoltaic systems had less of an environmental impact and we always have daylight but not wind.

Response – *Yes, photovoltaic systems are something the group are looking at and the group are looking for an installer to do a discount deal. The group are not just looking at one form of energy.*

Councillor Tarbitt enquired whether the group would be involved in the energy fair to be held in May.

Response – *Yes.*

190.1 NOTED the report from Sustainable Brampton

190.2 AGREED to invite representatives to future meetings

190.3 NOTED that Councillors could attend meetings of Sustainable Brampton and that minutes were available from the website.

191. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING - APPLICATIONS

Applications for planning consent were submitted.

AGREED to advise the appropriate Planning Authority of the Council's comments as follows:-

191.1 LYNDALE, TREE ROAD, BRAMPTON – Erection of front and side ground floor extensions to provide enlarged living room, garage and kitchen; provision of first floor accommodation with two bedrooms and shower room including four velux windows and two solar panels

No comment

192. FINANCIAL MATTERS -

192.1 BANK RECONCILIATIONS TO 31ST DECEMBER 2009

There was submitted a report by the Clerk on the reconciliation of the Council's financial records with its bank and Building Society accounts statements.

NOTED the report.

192.2 IMPREST

There was submitted a report by the Clerk advising of the income received and the expenditure incurred since the last meeting through the imprest system.

NOTED

192.3 FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS

There was submitted a report by the Clerk detailing the expenditure incurred and the income received since the last report to this Committee.

192.3.1 APPROVED the expenditure of £8,646.45 detailed in the Appendix hereto

192.3.2 NOTED the income of £245.00 detailed in the Appendix hereto.

192.4 EXPENDITURE TO APPROVE

There was submitted a report by the Clerk detailing expenditure to approve.

APPROVED the expenditure of £5,426.68 detailed in the Appendix hereto.

193. REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS

193.1 MOBILITY AND CYCLE NETWORK WORKING PARTY

A report was submitted from Councillor Siddle regarding a recent meeting of the mobility and cycle network working party (detailed in appendix hereto) together with a proposed survey from representatives of Sustainable Brampton and additional notes for information.

193.1.1 NOTED the notes, survey and additional information

193.1.2 AGREED to support a survey and look for funding once costs and further information have been received from Sustainable Brampton representatives.

193.2 CPCA EXECUTIVE MEETING

Notes from a recent meeting of the CPCA Executive Committee were submitted from Councillor Tarbitt as follows:-

CARLISLE PARISH COUNCILS ASSOCIATION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
19 / 1 / 10

GLOSSARY: BPC – BRAMPTON PARISH COUNCIL
CPCA – CARLISLE PARISH COUNCILS ASSOCIATION
CCC – CUMBRIA COUNTY COUNCIL
BEP – BRAMPTON ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP

Brampton Parish Council representative is now Val Tarbitt.

OBSERVATIONS

- Under Matters Arising [Item 16] from 3 / 11 / 09 I raised the point re the involvement of Brampton Economic Partnership in CPCA. [I had discussed this with BPC Chair on 19/1/10]. The belief of CPCA is that BPC decided not to join / be represented on BEP. Do we need to review this in view of BEP's forceful presence in the community [the Retail Survey for example]?

- Our involvement in CPCA is important in view of our role as a large PC. There are initiatives relating to Affordable Housing; Planning Regulations under discussion and a Conference on Community Owned Energy Schemes [22 / 5 / 10]. Contact with other parishes and CCC through the CPCA is a vital source of information for us.
- County Council Capital Scheme [£12,000pa per Councillor for next 3 years]. The meeting was notified that Brampton's allocation has now been spent.
- CPCA / Cumbria CC joint meeting on 23 / 3 / 10 will include discussion on Gritting.
- Next meeting of CPCA Executive Committee: 20 / 4 / 10.

Councillor Pattinson felt that Brampton Parish Council should still attend meetings of the Brampton Economic Partnership despite previous problems, for example the group say there is no problem with parking in Brampton yet an earlier report from the police (agenda item 189.1) state that parking is a problem.

Councillors felt that officers from Carlisle City Council were capable of doing a conservation survey rather than spending money on consultants.

193.2.1 NOTED the meeting report

193.2.2 AGREED that Councillors Tarbitt and Harding would represent Brampton Parish Council at meetings of the Brampton Economic Partnership

194. DEVELOPMENT TRUST

NOTED progress report 6 submitted by Bob Allan, Brampton Community Centre. Councillors felt that a Development Trust would give the community centre more scope for funding to provide a better service for community facilities.

195. JOHN MUIR AWARD GELT WOODS

An email was submitted, together with a Statement of Intent and Purpose, from Lee Harley-Marshall regarding Gelt Woods as a location to undertake a John Muir Award in conjunction with William Howard School.

195.1 NOTED the email and Statement.

195.2 AGREED to permit the use of Gelt Woods for the award scheme.

196. GRITTING OF PAVEMENTS AND ROADS IN BRAMPTON

The Clerk reported on the gritting of pavements, roads and car parks by Cumbria County Council, Carlisle City Council and Brampton Parish Council during the recent bad weather.

Councillor Pattinson stated that people in Brampton were not happy with the service that had been provided.

Councillor Fisher said that the County Council would fill grit bins if provided by the Parish Council.

196.1 NOTED the report

196.2 AGREED that Councillors would inform the Clerk of areas in Brampton that would benefit from a grit bin.

197. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

NOTED that the following correspondence had been received:-

197.1 VERGE PARKING IN BRAMPTON – Letter from T. R. Hayward, Area Engineer

NOTED that Councillor Layden would look into the matter further

197.2 CARLISLE LOCAL COMMITTEE CAPITAL GRANT SCHEME AWARD – Letter from David M. Sheard, Area Support Manager

197.3 REVOCATION OF ORDER 20 ON KERSHOPEFOOT BRIDGE AND MILTON RAILWAY BRIDGE – Letter from Sarah Steel, Highways Technician

197.4 TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE AT LOW ROW LEVEL CROSSING – Letter from James Cross, Traffic Technical Assistant

197.5 CUMBRIA MINERALS AND WASTE DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK – Letter from Richard Evans, Principal Planning Officer

198. LITERATURE AVAILABLE FROM CLERK

NOTED that the following literature is available from the office for any interested Councillors:-

198.1 CARLISLE & DISTRICT LOCAL PLAN 2001-2016

198.2 ACT GAZETTE – Issue 12 Winter 2009

199. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960 - To consider resolving, in terms of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and Standing Order No. 66, that, in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, (i.e. contract terms), it is advisable in the public interest that the public be temporarily excluded and that they be instructed to withdraw.

200. GRASS CUTTING 2010 - TENDERS

There was submitted a report by the Clerk on the tenders invited and received for the grass cutting contract 2010.

180.1 AGREED to accept the tender submitted by Colville's Grounds Maintenance in the sum of £4,251.30.

Expenditure

£	Supplier	Detail
234.00	British Gas	Heat & Light
205.00	Carlisle City Council	Rates
82.00	Carlisle City Council	Rates
3327.99	Cut n' Edge	Grounds Maintenance
50.00	E-on	Heat & Light
27.60	Vodafone	Telephone
67.71	United Utilities	Rates
15.62	United Utilities	Rates
427.10	BRHS	Office
11.04	Barclays Bank	Charges
41.40	Cannon	Moot Hall
31.03	Lyreco	Office
833.75	Andidrain	Parks
84.89	ABW	Moot Hall & Xmas lights
103.25	Canon UK Ltd	Photocopier
530.73	Blachere	Xmas lights
85.00	Carlisle City Council	Moot Hall
316.67	Orchard Grounds Mnce	Open Spaces
35.00	Tarn Road Nurseries	Xmas lights
194.32	J Ratcliffe	Staff
333.16	P Reynolds	Staff
1409.19	A Riddell	Staff
200.00	Brampton Silver Band	Grant

£8,646.45

Income

£	Detail	Cost centre
245.00	Market Tolls	Market

£245.00

Expenditure To Approve

£	Supplier	Detail
2087.63	HMR&C	PAYE
96.14	J Ratcliffe	Staff
208.74	P Reynolds	Staff
1409.19	A Riddell	Staff
57.70	G Thompson	Xmas lights - mileage
26.19	Lyreco	Office
20.63	United Utilities	Water - allotments
316.67	Orchard Grounds Mnce	Grass cutting
24.00	ABW	Xmas lights
680.33	Cumbria Software Systems	Office
109.66	BRHS	Office
36.00	British Legion	Poppy wreaths
100.00	Petty Cash	Office
253.80	Shift It	Car Park
<u>£5426.68</u>		

PRESENT

Councillor G. R. Prest (in the Chair)
Councillor J. J. Harding
Councillor Mrs. C. Ridley
Councillor Mrs. J. Prest

Councillor Mrs. S Lewsley
Councillor Mrs. J. Thompson
Councillor Mrs. M. Smith
Councillor Mrs. J. Pattinson

IN ATTENDANCE - Clerk

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Councillor Hendry

201. MINUTE

201.1 Minute of the Meeting held on 10th November 2009 was submitted.

APPROVED.

201.2 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

201.2.1 CAST IRON FINGER POST AT GELT ROAD/PAVING BROW (Min. 143)

201.2.1.1 NOTED that the repair to the fingerpost was in hand.

201.2.1.2 NOTED that surveys of some footpaths for repairs were still to be submitted.

201.2.2 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS (Min. 144)

201.2.2.1 NOTED the vandalism to the tree sited at Hadrian's statue over the Christmas Period and that the Moot Hall looked spectacular.

201.2.2.2 AGREED that Front Street needed further enhancement and that the Clerk will contact a representative from Blachere to draw up some proposals.

202. FINANCIAL MATTERS -

202.1 BANK RECONCILIATIONS TO 31ST JANUARY 2010

There was submitted a report by the Clerk on the reconciliation of the Council's financial records with its bank and Building Society accounts statements.

NOTED the report.

202.2 IMPREST

There was submitted a report by the Clerk advising of the income received and the expenditure incurred since the last meeting through the imprest system.

NOTED

202.3 FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS

There was submitted a report by the Clerk detailing the expenditure incurred and the income received since the last report to this Committee.

202.3.1 APPROVED the expenditure of £9,272.41 detailed in the Appendix hereto

202.3.2 NOTED the income of £1,612.00 detailed in the Appendix hereto.

202.4 EXPENDITURE TO APPROVE

There was submitted a report by the Clerk detailing expenditure to approve.

APPROVED the expenditure of £1,525.42 detailed in the Appendix hereto.

203. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

203.1 BRAMPTON WOODWORKERS CLUB

There was submitted an application for financial assistance from Alex Faulds of The Brampton Woodworkers Club requesting £350.00 to educate the public in the subject of woodworking skills and crafts

AGREED to donate £350.00

203.2 RICHARD BEATTIE

There was submitted an application for financial assistance from Richard Beattie requesting a donation towards Operation Wallacea conservation expedition in Peru.

AGREED to donate £50.00 when funding from other sources has been verified.

203.3 BPS ENTERTAINMENTS

There was submitted an application for financial assistance from Mr. G. Walker of Brampton Primary School requesting £1500.00 towards production costs of the school's annual Shakespearian comedy.

AGREED to donate £1000.00 and that the press should be involved with the cheque presentation.

204. BRAMPTON PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE

The Clerk submitted details of parishcouncil.net and their various levels of website packages which had been recommended by Wetheral Parish Council.

AGREED, after further discussion, to purchase the "Gold" package at a cost of £500.00 for development and £300.00 for annual hosting.

Expenditure

£	Supplier	Detail
154.00	British Gas	Heat & Light
205.00	Carlisle City Council	Rates
82.00	Carlisle City Council	Rates
3327.99	Cut n' Edge	Grounds Maintenance
50.00	E-on	Heat & Light
26.74	Vodafone	Telephone
2087.63	HMR&C	PAYE
96.14	J Ratcliffe	Staff
208.74	P Reynolds	Staff
1409.19	A Riddell	Staff
57.70	G Thompson	Xmas lights
26.19	Lyreco	office
20.63	United Utilities	Open Spaces
316.67	Orchard Grounds Mnce	Open Spaces
24.00	ABW	Moot Hall & Xmas lights
680.33	Cumbria Software Systems	Office
109.66	BRHS	office
36.00	British Legion	Sec 137
100.00	Petty Cash	Office
253.80	Shift It	Car Parks
£9272.41		

Income

£	Detail	Cost centre
105.00	Market Tolls	Market
15.00	B. Laird	Moot Hall
15.00	Peter Pym	Moot Hall
430.00	Co-operative Funeralcare	Cemetery
70.00	I. Robinson	Cemetery
430.00	G. Hudson	Cemetery
462.00	Anderson	Cemetery
15.00	Lib Dem Party	Moot Hall
70.00	Pip Hall (reissued)	Cemetery
£1,612.00		

Expenditure To Approve

£	Supplier	Detail
138.92	Lyreco	Office
316.67	Orchard Grounds Mnce	Grass cutting
48.87	ABW	Moot Hall, Cemetery
35.00	CALC	Training
248.88	Business Finance Solutions	Office
143.55	J Ratcliffe	Staff
190.00	BIG	Misc services
11.78	United Utilities	Parks
11.75	Brampton Skip Hire	Open Spaces
380.00	J Riddell	Allotments
£1525.42		

PRESENT

Councillor K. Siddle (in the chair)
Councillor I. A. Pennington
Councillor J. L. Tweddle
Councillor K. Read-Bone

Councillor G. Prest
Councillor Mrs. J. Pattinson
Councillor Mrs. J. Prest
Councillor Mrs. V. Tarbitt

IN ATTENDANCE – Clerk

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Councillor Skimming

205. MINUTES

205.1 MINUTE

Minute of the meeting held on 10th November 2009 was submitted.

APPROVED

205.2. MATTERS ARISING

205.2.1 BMX TRACK/SKATEPARK

AGREED that members of the working party would hold a short meeting to discuss progress immediately after this committee meeting

206. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors J & G Prest declared a personal interest in item 210.1.

207. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING - APPLICATIONS

207.1 WCF LTD, CRAWHALL, BRAMPTON – Installation of galvanised steel extraction pipe with fan on external wall (retrospective application)

No comment

207.2 THE BEECHES, STATION ROAD, BRAMPTON – Two storey rear extension to provide new utility/shower room on ground floor with one en-suite bedroom above

No comment

207.3 BRAMPTON GOLF CLUB, TARN ROAD, BRAMPTON – Erection of open fronted weather protection enclosure to existing 6 bay driving range platform and golf ball dispenser

No comment

207.4 HIGHFIELD, SURGERY LANE, BRAMPTON – Fell ash tree indicated on the plan accompanying the application

That the Parish Council would welcome the Tree Officers opinion in the absence of information on the application as to why the tree needs to be felled.

208. NOTIFICATION OF DECISIONS -

A note of the decisions of the appropriate planning authority on applications on which the Committee or Parish Council had previously been consulted was submitted.

208.1 NOTED.

208.2 NOTED that the applicant concerning demolition of the Brampton Playhouse was disappointed that the building couldn't be saved.

209. "BLOCK THE GARDEN GRABBERS"

NOTED a report from Councillor Read-Bone on a recent newspaper article stating that after a six month review government ministers are to order councils to use their powers to ban or limit the practice of permitting developers who build homes in back gardens known as "garden grabbing". Councillor Read-Bone felt very strongly about the practice (recently permitted for two applications on Tree Road) and that we should be protecting the needs of our conservation area and future young families.

Councillor Read-Bone wanted to know what Carlisle City Council would be doing about the practice in their local plan.

Councillor G. Prest wondered whether local authorities had received these orders yet.

Councillor Pattinson stated that it would be preferable for the Parish Council to decide each planning application on its own merits and that Carlisle City Council should take more notice of our comments and talk to us more.

210. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

210.1 NEW HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AT GELT RISE, BRAMPTON

A letter was submitted from Lisa Hogarth, Property Services Project Manager, Two Castles Housing Association detailing the proposals for building affordable housing at Gelt Rise, Brampton with an invitation to attend a Community Consultation Event at Brampton Community Centre on 11th February.

210.1.1 NOTED the letter

210.1.2 NOTED concerns raised from nearby residents at possible access to the site through Gelt Rise but until a planning application was submitted the Parish Council was unable to comment.

210.1.3 AGREED to inform Two Castles that if further consultation was required, the Moot Hall would be available for use as it was more central and accessible.

PRESENT

Councillor G. R. Prest (Vice-Chairman) (in the Chair)	Councillor J. L. Tweddle
Councillor J. D. Hendry	Councillor K. Siddle
Councillor Mrs. P. Skimming	Councillor J. J. Harding
Councillor I. A. Pennington	Councillor Mrs. C. Ridley
Councillor Mrs. V. A. Tarbitt	Councillor Mrs. J. Prest
Councillor Mrs. S. Lewsley	Councillor Mrs. M. Smith
Councillor Read-Bone	

IN ATTENDANCE – Clerk

ALSO ATTENDING – Councillor M. Mitchelson, Carlisle City Council and Councillor L. Fisher, Cumbria County Council.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Councillors Pattinson and Thompson

211. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors G. Prest and Mrs. J. Prest declared an interest in item 217.1

212. FAIRTADE PRESENTATION

Reverend Sue Wilkins, Chairman of Brampton Fairtrade Group, presented Brampton Parish Council with a certificate thanking Councillors for their support and promotion of Fairtrade.

Reverend Wilkins also left copies of “Local Authorities and Fairtrade” in which Brampton Parish Council is highlighted for its good practice.

NOTED.

213. MINUTES

213.1 MINUTE

Minute of the Meeting held on 26th January 2010 was submitted.

APPROVED after the following amendments:-

- To read Claire Poulter not Fiona Huntington Min. 186.2.2
- To add that Councillor Pattinson would write to the PCT Min. 186.2.1.1
- To add that the notes would be referred to the County Council Min. 193.1.1b

213.2 MATTERS ARISING

213.2.1 NEW HEALTH CENTRE (Min. 186.2)

NOTED that no further progress had been made other than one or two meetings with senior officers putting various points across. Dr. Burns wanted a meeting to push things forward. Councillor G. Prest would remind Councillor Pattinson to write to the PCT.

213.2.2 SKATEPARK/BMX TRACK WORKING GROUP (Min. 186.2.3)

NOTED that the proposed skatepark for Penrith had been turned down although future applications would depend on location.

214. COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were submitted Minutes of Meetings of

Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 9th February 2010

Property and Environment Committee held on 9th February 2010

214.1 NOTED the Minutes.

214.2 APPROVED the recommendations for implementation

215. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

216. POLICE MATTERS

PC Turner attended the meeting and explained that priorities at the moment were parking in the town centre. PC Turner would contact the relevant department at Carlisle City Council to ask for more regular patrols by traffic wardens. PC Turner also explained that there may be funding available to help towards the proposed skatepark/bmx track and that PC Owen would get the Speedwatch Group back up and running.

216.1 NOTED the report

216.2 NOTED concerns at nuisance parking at Moatside passed to PC Turner

217. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING - APPLICATIONS

Applications for planning consent were submitted.

AGREED to advise the appropriate Planning Authority of the Council's comments as follows:-

217.1 HEATHERLEA, STATION ROAD, BRAMPTON – T1 conifer – reduce in height by 10%, T2 & 4 – 8 conifers – reduce all over by 25%, T3 dead tree – reduce in height by 25%, T9 umbrella tree – reduce all over by 20%

No comment

217.2 LYNDALE, TREE ROAD, BRAMPTON – Fell cherry tree adjacent drive

No comment

217.3 THE KNOWE, STATION ROAD, BRAMPTON – Reduce in height by 30% three birch trees

No comment

218. REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS

218.1 CARLISLE PARISH COUNCILS ASSOCIATION

NOTED a report from Councillor Tarbitt on a meeting of the CPCA. Councillor Tarbitt had not received a copy of the minutes from the meeting and would therefore submit a full report in due course. The meeting had mainly centred on discussion of a website with projected costs of £50,000 for set up and £5,000 annual running costs. A sub-group, of which Councillor Tarbitt is a member, would meet on March 4th.

218.2 LEAGUE OF FRIENDS

NOTED a report from Councillor G. Prest on a recent meeting of the League of Friends which had also been attended by Rory Stewart, prospective Conservative MP for Penrith and The Borders, who wanted to introduce himself and help push things forward with regard to the new Health Centre. The group favoured the Greenhill site for the centre and Mr. Stewart had promised to contact the LIFT Company to speak to the people of Brampton as they haven't been in contact with local doctors, Moot Lodge or Brampton Cottage Hospital.

219. BRAMPTON AREA JOINT PARISH PLAN

219.1 FAILURE OF BRAMPTON AREA PARISH PLAN GROUP

NOTED a report by Councillor G. Prest that the Brampton Area Parish Plan Group which had started with 7-8 members was now down to 3, therefore Brampton will have to produce and update its own Plan.

219.2 COMMUNITY PLAN STEERING COMMITTEE

NOTED that the following Councillors agreed to form a steering group in order to devise a plan for Brampton Parish Council:-

Councillors Pattinson, G. Prest, Siddle, Ridley and Lewsley.

220. CALC

220.1 CALC CIRCULAR

The February 2010 edition of the CALC circular was submitted.

NOTED.

220.2 TREE SURVEYS ON PARISH OWNED LAND

An email was submitted (via CALC) from James England, Capita Symonds with regard to advising best practice on maintaining trees on land owned by Parish Councils and offering development and services at a cost.

220.2.1 NOTED the email

220.2.2 NOTED Councillor G. Prests concerns at possible costs through Capita.

220.2.3 NOTED that the Clerk could contact Phil Gray from the Green Spaces Team at Carlisle City Council for possible help.

220.2.4 AGREED to put problems at The Mote on the agenda for the next Property and Environment Committee meeting.

220.3 SPRING TRAINING PROGRAMME

Information on training and development for Town and Parish Councils February – June 2010 was submitted.

NOTED that Councillor Lewsley would like to attend “Open Spaces” and “How to Influence People”

221. BRAMPTON DEVELOPMENT TRUST

PROGRESS REPORT 7

A progress report on the Brampton Development Trust from Mr. B. Allan was submitted.

221.1 NOTED the report

221.2 NOTED the date of the Inaugural Meeting – 25th March 2010

221.3 AGREED that it was important that as many Parish Councillors as possible attended the meeting.

222. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

NOTED that the following correspondence had been received:-

222.1 BRAMPTON ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP – Email from Mike Fox, Parish Councils’ Representative on the Brampton Economic Partnership

NOTED that Councillor Tarbitt now represented the Parish Council at these meetings.

222.2 CPCA & EALC – Notification from Gwen Dumpleton of a conference on Community Owned Renewable Energy Schemes to be held on Saturday 22nd May at Penrith Methodist Church

NOTED that Councillor Tarbitt would attend.

222.3 ILLUMINATING HADRIAN’S WALL – Letter from Linda Tuttiett, Chief Executive, Hadrian’s Wall Heritage Ltd.

222.4 JOINING GREEN COMMUNITIES – Letter from Sarah Cohen, Energy Saving Trust

AGREED to join the group

222.5 BRAMPTON & DISTRICT SILVER BAND – Letter from Richard Hunt, Treasurer.

223. LITERATURE AVAILABLE FROM CLERK

NOTED that the following literature is available from the office for any interested Councillors:-

223.1 FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE – 1 MARCH to 30 JUNE 2010

PRESENT

Councillor G. R. Prest (in the Chair)
Councillor J. J. Harding
Councillor Mrs. C. Ridley
Councillor J. Hendry

Councillor Mrs. S Lewsley
Councillor Mrs. J. Pattinson
Councillor Mrs. M. Smith

IN ATTENDANCE - Clerk

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – None

224. MINUTE

224.1 Minute of the Meeting held on 9th February 2010 was submitted.

APPROVED.

224.2 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

224.2.1 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS (Min. 201.2.2)

NOTED that a meeting had been arranged to take place in April with Aaron Andrews from Blachere to discuss enhancement of the Christmas Lights

224.2.2 BRAMPTON PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE (Min. 204)

NOTED that parishcouncil.net had been informed of the Council's requirements.

225. FINANCIAL MATTERS -

225.1 BANK RECONCILIATIONS TO 28TH FEBRUARY 2010

There was submitted a report by the Clerk on the reconciliation of the Council's financial records with its bank and Building Society accounts statements.

NOTED the report.

225.2 MONITORING REPORT

There was submitted a report by the Clerk detailing the current position with regard to income received and expenditure incurred to 28th February 2010 compared to the budget together with an indication of the anticipated income and expenditure at the end of the current financial year.

NOTED the report.

225.3 IMPREST

There was submitted a report by the Clerk advising of the income received and the expenditure incurred since the last meeting through the imprest system.

NOTED

225.4 FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS

There was submitted a report by the Clerk detailing the expenditure incurred and the income received since the last report to this Committee.

225.3.1 APPROVED the expenditure of £7,519.63 detailed in the Appendix hereto

225.3.2 NOTED the income of £305.00 detailed in the Appendix hereto.

225.5 EXPENDITURE TO APPROVE

There was submitted a report by the Clerk detailing expenditure to approve.

APPROVED the expenditure of £1,228.51 detailed in the Appendix hereto.

226. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

None received

227. MOOT HALL TOWER CLOCK

A report and quotations for repairs to the Moot Hall Tower Clock were submitted from the Cumbria Clock Company.

227.1 NOTED the report and quotations

227.2 AGREED to have the various repairs done concurrently at a cost of:-

- £3,460.00 for repairs to clock movement
- £420.00 for repairs to the internal dial
- £1,720.00 for repairs to the external dial

227.3 AGREED that the Clerk would look into available grants

227.4 AGREED to place an article in the BIG magazine detailing the history of the clock and required repairs.

227.5 AGREED to look into a bigger contingency for such repairs in future Council budgets.

Expenditure

£	Supplier	Detail
154.00	British Gas	Heat & Light
50.00	E-on	Heat & Light
28.10	Vodafone	Telephone
3327.99	Cut n' Edge	Grounds Maintenance
217.23	BT	Office phone
138.92	Lyreco	office
316.67	Orchard Grounds Mnce	Open Spaces
48.87	ABW	Moot Hall
35.00	CALC	Training
248.88	Business Finance Soln's	Office photocopier
143.55	J Ratcliffe	Staff
190.00	BIG	Misc publishing
244.70	P Reynolds	Staff
1409.19	A Riddell	Staff
11.78	Utd Utilities	Parks
11.75	Brampton Skip Hire	Open Spaces
380.00	J Riddell	Allotments
563.00	Cut n' Edge	Parks
<u>£7519.63</u>		

Income

£	Detail	Cost centre
220.00	Market Tolls	Market
75.00	Market Tolls	Market
10.00	Market Tolls	Market
<u>£305.00</u>		
<u><u>£305.00</u></u>		

Expenditure To Approve

£	Supplier	Detail
106.40	J Ratcliffe	Staff
202.30	P Reynolds	Staff
135.12	Brampton Skip Hire	Cemetery/open spaces
65.28	E-on	Christmas Lights
48.36	United Utilities	Market Place
97.53	Carruthers Timber	Open spaces/Xmas lights
102.36	John Bell & Sons	Moot Hall
112.19	Canon	Office
42.30	Cannon	Moot Hall
316.67	Orchard Grounds Mnce	Parks/open spaces
£1228.51		

PRESENT

Councillor K. Siddle (in the chair)
Councillor I. A. Pennington
Councillor J. L. Tweddle
Councillor K. Read-Bone

Councillor G. Prest
Councillor Mrs. J. Pattinson
Councillor Mrs. P. Skimming
Councillor Mrs. V. Tarbitt

IN ATTENDANCE – Clerk

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Councillor J. Prest

228. MINUTES

228.1 MINUTE

Minute of the meeting held on 9th February 2010 was submitted.

APPROVED

228.2 MATTERS ARISING

None

229. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

230. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING - APPLICATIONS

230.1 BRAMPTON PRIMARY SCHOOL, SAWMILL LANE, BRAMPTON – display of two non- illuminated fascia signs

Could a larger version of the circular logo not be used in a more centralised position rather than the two separate signs?

230.2 LAND ADJACENT TO PINFOLD, 85-87 MAIN STREET, BRAMPTON – Fell birch tree and replace with cherry

That the Parish Council would welcome the Tree Officers opinion on a replacement tree as it is in a public place.

230.3 15 CAPON HILL, BRAMPTON – Erection of one dwelling

OBJECT – The proposed development will be unacceptably detrimental to the amenities of neighbouring residents by reason of loss of privacy, overlooking and general disturbance contrary to criteria 2 and 3 of policy H2 and criteria 1 and 2 of policy H9 of the Carlisle District Local Plan, furthermore it is overdevelopment of the site.

230.3.1 15 CAPON HILL, BRAMPTON – Letters of objection

Letters of objection to the planning application at 15 Capon Hill, Brampton were submitted from Steve Barker and David Moorat.

NOTED.

232. NOTIFICATION OF DECISIONS -

A note of the decisions of the appropriate planning authority on applications on which the Committee or Parish Council had previously been consulted was submitted.

NOTED.

233. THE MOTE

A report was submitted from Councillor Read-Bone on matters raised regarding possible works to The Mote and a backlog maintenance plan.

The Clerk clarified various misunderstandings:-

- the fountain is not vandalised it has always ran constantly as it is fed by a stream
- the map has not been stolen but removed for safe-keeping as it was falling off.
- a full tree survey had been done in July 2008 with the work carried out in June 2009

The Clerk had visited The Mote, Murray Park and The Sands with Edie Harbord who works with the local gardening network, the Allotment Association and was a Park Ranger for 30 years. Edie is willing to do a survey of the paths at The Mote and would like to plant up the beds at Murray Park, The Sands and Industrial Estate with vegetables as a community project for Brampton In Bloom.

233.1 NOTED the report.

233.2 AGREED to the planting of beds in Murray Park, Sands and Industrial Estate by Edie Harbord.

233.3 AGREED to ask Edie Harbord for a costing to do a full survey of the paths at The Mote.

234. WAITING RESTRICTIONS, GREENFIELD AND GREENCROFT, BRAMPTON

A letter was submitted from Cumbria County Council requesting a response to waiting restrictions at Greenfield Lane and Greencroft Brampton.

AGREED to submit the following comments:-

- the restrictions should be made permanent and increased for the full length of Greenfield Lane to the junction with Dacre Road (Garth House side) as the current restrictions are not sufficient and are causing problems for nearby residents at RossLyn trying to pull out of their drive.

235. TWO CASTLES HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AT THE REAR OF GELT RISE

A letter was submitted from Miss D. A. Harman raising concerns at the proposed development by Two Castles Housing at the rear of Gelt Rise.

235.1 NOTED the letter and that the Council were supportive.

235.2 NOTED that a representative from Two Castles Housing would attend the next Council meeting to be held on March 30th.

236. PARISH PATHS INITIATIVE 2010/11

A letter was submitted from Andrea Bonacker, Cumbria County Council regarding the Parish Paths Initiative for 2010/11.

236.1 NOTED the letter

236.2 NOTED that a survey of the footpaths in the area was still ongoing and that the Clerk would give a full report when all details had been received.

PRESENT

Councillor Mrs. J. L. Pattinson (Chairman) (in the Chair)	Councillor Mrs. J. Thompson
Councillor G. R. Prest	Councillor Read-Bone
Councillor Mrs. S. Lewsley	Councillor K. Siddle
Councillor Mrs. P. Skimming	Councillor J. J. Harding
Councillor Mrs. C. Ridley	Councillor Mrs. V. A. Tarbitt
Councillor J. Hendry	

IN ATTENDANCE – Clerk

ALSO ATTENDING – Councillors M. Mitchelson and S. Layden Carlisle City Council
Councillor L. Fisher, Cumbria County Council.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Councillors J. Prest, Smith and Pennington

237. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor C. Ridley declared an interest in item 243.3
Councillor G. Prest declared an interest in item 240

238. MINUTES

238.1 MINUTE

Minute of the Meeting held on 23rd February 2010 was submitted.

APPROVED

238.2 MATTERS ARISING

None

239. COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were submitted Minutes of Meetings of

Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 16th March 2010
Property and Environment Committee held on 16th March 2010

239.1 NOTED the Minutes.

239.2 APPROVED the recommendations for implementation

240. TWO CASTLES HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AT THE REAR OF GELT RISE

A presentation was given by Greg Denwood and Andrew Watson, architects for Two Castle's Housing, on the proposed development at the rear of Gelt Rise.

Background details of the company and the site itself were given and development drawings were shown. Matters covered included the following:-

- Sensitivity of site and location
- Number of homes being provided (4 – 2 bed/11 – 3bed/2 – 4 bed)
- Recent community consultation event on the proposed development
- Building phases

- Adoption of road by Cumbria County Council
- Property amenities
- Sustainability code rating – level 3
- Tree and ecological surveys of the site
- Commencement and completion of work

Parish Council members raised the following concerns with the architects:-

- Allocation of properties
- Vetting of applicants
- Resident's parking & numbering of bays
- Sole residency
- Recycling – adequate space for recycling equipment/agreement with Carlisle City Council

NOTED the presentation.

241. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Edie Harbord thanked the Parish Council for the opportunity for the Gardening Network Group to plant up the bed in Murray Park similar to a project already in place in Todmorden where public flower beds are being transformed into community herb gardens and vegetable patches.

NOTED.

242. POLICE MATTERS

242.1 NOTED that no report was received from Brampton Police Station nor was an officer in attendance at the meeting.

242.2 AGREED to inform Brampton Police Station that no report had been received.

242.3 NOTED concerns from Councillors to be passed on to the police included the Speedwatch Group and youths on Front Street.

243. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING - APPLICATIONS

Applications for planning consent were submitted.

AGREED to advise the appropriate Planning Authority of the Council's comments as follows:-

243.1 HIRTA, TREE ROAD, BRAMPTON – Demolition of dwelling including boundary wall; erection of 3 bedroom dwelling, understorey garage, access parking and drive. (CAC)

AGREED to make the following comments:-

- Is it appropriate to be knocking down a 1920's building in a conservation area?
- Is it sufficient justification to remove a property because of its age?
- New access arrangements are inadequate per current day standards
- Will the width of the footpath be increased if the wall is demolished?

243.2 47 BERRYMOOR ROAD, BRAMPTON – 2 storey side extension to provide kitchen, dining room and lounge on

ground floor with 2 bedrooms (1 en-suite) above together with 1 bedroom and shower room in existing roof space (revised proposal)

No comment

243.3 FORMER HIGHWAYS DEPOT, STATION ROAD, BRAMPTON – Demolition of all existing buildings (CAC)

No comment

244. REPLACEMENT TREE ADJACENT 85-87 MAIN STREET, BRAMPTON

A letter was submitted from Charles Bennett regarding various possibilities for a replacement tree on land adjacent to 85-87 Main Street, Brampton.

AGREED to plant a paperbark maple as a replacement tree.

245. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

245.1 BURTHOLME PARISH COUNCIL

There was submitted an application for financial assistance from Burtholme Parish Council requesting £300.00 towards 2 cast iron “Lanercost” place name signs.

AGREED to donate £300.00

245.2 SUSTAINABLE BRAMPTON TRAVEL ACTION GROUP

There was submitted an application for financial assistance from Sustainable Brampton Travel Action Group requesting a donation of £34.50 towards printing costs for a “Walking and Cycling in Brampton” survey leaflet

AGREED to donate £34.50

246. CLAY DUBBS – BRAMPTON ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION

246.1 AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION

Proposed amendments to the Brampton Allotment Association constitution were submitted as follows:-

1. Change of name to avoid a clash with the 'private' allotments.
2. Inclusion of a 'Termination' policy - in line with Carlisle policy and setting out a clear procedure to follow should problems arise.
3. Reduction of payment period from two months to one month. This would allow us to take action more quickly if the annual fees are unpaid - rather than waiting for an excessive period and seeing the plot unused for much of the growing season. We don't anticipate this being a problem. Tenants were told early in the New Year than fees become due on 31st March and can be paid from AGM onwards - cut off date now 30th April.
4. Change in duties between Secretary and Lettings Administrator to better reflect what actually happens

AGREED to the proposed amendments as above

246.2 RESPONSES TO TENANTS SURVEY

Responses from allotment tenants from a recent survey were submitted.

NOTED.

247. REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS

247.1 WEBSITE SUBCOMMITTEE FOR BRAMPTON ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP

NOTED a report from Councillor Tarbitt on a meeting of the website subcommittee of the B.E.P. The group were going ahead with a website and were looking for other groups in Brampton to link through their website. The group hoped to advertise through the B.I.G. magazine although funding for the website was uncertain at the present time.

247.2 HOW TO INFLUENCE PEOPLE – CALC TRAINING COURSE

NOTED a report from Councillor Lewsley on her recent attendance at the Calc training course “How to influence people”. The course had been interesting, explaining how a Parish Council should get to know local groups, find commonality and frameworks, then get together to move forward.

247.3 CARLISLE PARISH COUNCIL ASSOCIATION

NOTED a report from Councillor Tarbitt on a joint meeting of the CPCA with Cumbria County Council as follows:-

JOINT MEETING BETWEEN CARLISLE LOCAL COMMITTEE AND CARLISLE PARISH COUNCIL ASSOCIATION

TUESDAY 23 MARCH 2010 HOUGHTON VILLAGE HALL

Some useful information including a Presentation by Phil Davies [Cumbria Climate Control Officer].

Minutes will be sent to Allison. Will contain information re grants / free loans for insulation and wood husbandry for example.

Info regarding Planning Regulation from 2016 [possibly 2012] will impact on us as a Council.

John Mallinson spoke about winter road conditions and the preparations for next winter. These will include local grit storage where that is possible and need to request grit boxes as soon as possible so that they can be put in place and filled before winter conditions set in.

Asked about funding for our clock: We can apply to Neighbourhood Forum; CPCA [grants for 2010 / 11 have now been approved

247.4 BRAMPTON TOWN TWINNING ASSOCIATION

NOTED a report by Councillor Skimming on a recent meeting of the Brampton Town Twinning Association. The group were celebrating their 10th anniversary this year over thirty visitors from France would be arriving on the 4th April. A buffet supper would be taking place at the Irthing Centre on 7th April where a book would be presented to a member of the Parish Council to be displayed in the Moot Hall. Any Councillors wanting to attend should contact Councillor Skimming.

248. CALC

248.1 CALC CIRCULAR

The March 2010 edition of the CALC circular was submitted.

NOTED.

248.2 CALC ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION 2010/11

There was submitted a letter from CALC detailing their annual subscription fee of £301.00 for the year 2010/11.

NOTED and **APPROVED** expenditure

248.3 LOCAL COUNCIL REVIEW SUBSCRIPTION

There was submitted a letter from CALC detailing the annual subscription fee for the LCR of £13.50 for the year 2010/11.

NOTED and **APPROVED** expenditure

249. CUMBERLAND CYCLE CHALLENGE

A request had been submitted to the Parish Council asking for the Annual Cumberland Cycle Challenge to use the Howard

Memorial Shelter at The Sands rather than the Moot Hall.

AGREED the use of the Howard Memorial Shelter.

250. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

NOTED that the following correspondence had been received:-

250.1 GARSTANG MAYOR – Email from Gordon Harter, Mayor of Garstang

NOTED that Councillor Pattinson would meet the Mayor of Garstang on 17th April, if available, and that Councillor Harding would speak to members of the Fairtrade Group.

250.2 TARN END HOTEL GRASS VERGES – Copy of letter from Hayton Parish Council to Carlisle City Council

250.3 BRAMPTON NEW HEALTH CAMPUS – Letter from Dr. Peter Weaving

250.3.1 NOTED that a meeting was taking place tonight between the League of Friends and the PCT. The LIFT Company now has no involvement with Brampton. Dr. Burn wants a meeting with the County Council regarding the future of Moot Lodge.

250.3.2 AGREED that as nothing has changed regarding our health needs we still need to drive this project forward therefore we should arrange a meeting with the PCT.

251. LITERATURE AVAILABLE FROM CLERK

NOTED that the following literature is available from the office for any interested Councillors:-

251.1 FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE – 1 APRIL to 31 JULY 2010

251.2 NFU ANNUAL REVIEW 2009

251.3 SCOPE FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY IN CUMBRIA

252. SUSTAINABLE ENERGY FAIR

NOTED that a Sustainable Energy Fair is taking place at the Community Centre on 24th April 2010 from 11.00am.

PRESENT

Councillor G. R. Prest (in the Chair)
Councillor J. J. Harding
Councillor Mrs. C. Ridley
Councillor Mrs. J. Thompson

Councillor Mrs. S Lewsley
Councillor Mrs. J. Pattinson
Councillor Mrs. M. Smith
Councillor Mrs. J. Prest

IN ATTENDANCE - Clerk

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Councillor Hendry

253. MINUTE

253.1 Minute of the Meeting held on 16th March 2010 was submitted.

APPROVED.

253.2 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

253.2.1 MOOT HALL TOWER CLOCK (Min. 227)

NOTED that the Clerk was looking into available grants for the restoration of the Moot Hall clock and that an article would be placed in the next issue of the B.I.G. magazine.

254. FINANCIAL MATTERS -

254.1 BANK RECONCILIATIONS TO 31ST MARCH 2010

There was submitted a report by the Clerk on the reconciliation of the Council's financial records with its bank and Building Society accounts statements.

NOTED the report.

254.2 IMPREST

There was submitted a report by the Clerk advising of the income received and the expenditure incurred since the last meeting through the imprest system.

NOTED

254.3 FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS

There was submitted a report by the Clerk detailing the expenditure incurred and the income received since the last report to this Committee.

254.3.1 APPROVED the expenditure of £8,043.53 detailed in the Appendix hereto

254.3.2 NOTED the income of £5,407.65 detailed in the Appendix hereto.

254.4 BALANCES AT 31ST MARCH 2010

There was submitted a report by the Clerk regarding the cash balances at 31st March 2010 and recommending their allocation to various funds.

AGREED to the allocation of the balances as follows:-

Allison Bequest	£126,658.32
Development Fund	£15,000.00
Property Fund	£15,000.00
Cemetery Development Fund	£30,000.00
Surplus Account	£5,605.46
Total	£192,263.78

254.5 EXPENDITURE TO APPROVE

There was submitted a report by the Clerk detailing expenditure to approve.

APPROVED the expenditure of £10,376.14 detailed in the Appendix hereto.

255. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

None received

256. CEMETERY CHARGES

A report was heard from the Clerk on the proposed cemetery charges for the current financial year 2010/11.

AGREED, after discussion, that there would be no change to the charges at present.

Expenditure

£	Supplier	Detail
154.00	British Gas	Heat & Light
50.00	E-on	Heat & Light
35.70	Vodafone	Telephone
3327.99	Cut n' Edge	Grounds Maintenance
427.10	BRHS	Office
11.04	Barclays Bank	Charges
350.00	Brampton Woodworkers	Grant
1000.00	BPS Entertainments	Grant
316.67	Orchard Grounds Mnce	Open Spaces
135.12	Brampton Skip Hire	Cemetery
65.28	E-on	Xmas lights
48.36	United Utilities	Market
106.40	J Ratcliffe	Staff
97.53	Carruthers Timber	Open Spaces
202.30	P Reynolds	Staff
1409.19	A Riddell	Staff
102.36	J Bell & Sons	Moot Hall
112.19	Canon	Office
42.30	Cannon	Moot Hall
50.00	R Beattie	Grant
£8043.53		

Income

£	Detail	Cost centre
245.00	Market Tolls	Market
60.00	Market Tolls	Market
40.00	Market Tolls	Market
50.00	Market Tolls	Market
15.00	B'ton Country Markets	Moot Hall
15.00	Lanercost Festival	Moot Hall
30.00	Sustainable Brampton	Moot Hall
15.00	Conservative Club	Moot Hall
15.00	Flower Club	Moot Hall
15.00	Independent Age	Moot Hall
45.00	Hadrians Sugarcraft	Moot Hall
395.93	BRHS	Photocopier costs
30.00	Methodist Church	Moot Hall
3868.00	Cumbria County Council	Grant
76.34	United Utilities	Wayleave – open spaces
462.38	Irthington PC	Photocopier costs
15.00	Brampton Travel Team	Moot Hall
15.00	Talkin Tarn ARC	Moot Hall
£5407.65		

Expenditure To Approve

£	Supplier	Detail
106.40	J Ratcliffe	Staff
236.73	P Reynolds	Staff
1973.63	HMR&C	PAYE - Staff
23.50	Brampton Skip Hire	Parks
3024.64	Blachere	Christmas Lights
4.65	ABW	Open Spaces
8.77	United Utilities	Parks
16.96	United Utilities	Allotments
15.86	Carruthers Timber	Open Spaces
4935.00	Carlisle City Council	Christmas Lights
30.00	Cumbria In Bloom	Brampton In Bloom
£10,376.14		

PRESENT

Councillor K. Siddle (in the chair)
Councillor I. A. Pennington
Councillor J. L. Tweddle
Councillor K. Read-Bone
Councillor J. Prest

Councillor G. Prest
Councillor Mrs. J. Pattinson
Councillor Mrs. P. Skimming
Councillor Mrs. V. Tarbitt

IN ATTENDANCE – Clerk

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – None

257. MINUTES

257.1 MINUTE

Minute of the meeting held on 16th March 2010 was submitted.

APPROVED

257.2. MATTERS ARISING

257.2.1 WAITING RESTRICTIONS, GREENFIELD AND GREENCROFT, BRAMPTON (Min. 234)

NOTED that no reply had been received to date regarding comments submitted to Cumbria County Council on waiting restrictions at Greenfield and Greencroft, Brampton.

258. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

259. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING - APPLICATIONS

259.1 BRAMPTON PLAYHOUSE, MOAT SIDE, BRAMPTON – Demolition of redundant Brampton Playhouse. Erection of 5 dwellings with on site parking (CAC) (Revised application)

After discussion, **AGREED** to **OBJECT** with the following comments:-

- the proposal is not in keeping with the conservation area
- inappropriate house design
- overdevelopment of the site
- lack of adequate residents' parking provision
- concern on road safety grounds at the proposed access/exit to the public highway

259.2 14 MORPETH CLOSE, BRAMPTON – Erection of 3 bedroom dwelling with garage and access drive shared with existing dwelling

After discussion, **AGREED** to **OBJECT** with the following comments:-

- has access over privately maintained land been agreed?
- concern at access and parking due to reduced number of available spaces
- overdevelopment of the site

260. NOTIFICATION OF DECISIONS -

A note of the decisions of the appropriate planning authority on applications on which the Committee or Parish Council had previously been consulted was submitted.

NOTED.

261. THE MOTE

A report was submitted from Edie Harbord on work required to footpaths and walls at The Mote. Councillor Read-Bone also submitted a supplementary report with work he felt was required at The Mote.

261.1 NOTED the reports.

261.2 AGREED to defer consideration on required work at The Mote until a site meeting with Stephen Hillary and committee members has taken place.

261.3 NOTED, sadly, that Edie Harbord has recently passed away.

PRESENT

Councillor Mrs. J. L. Pattinson (Chairman) (in the Chair)	Councillor Mrs. J. Thompson
Councillor G. R. Prest	Councillor Read-Bone
Councillor Mrs. S. Lewsley	Councillor K. Siddle
Councillor I. Pennington.	Councillor J. J. Harding
Councillor Mrs. C. Ridley	Councillor Mrs. V. A. Tarbitt
Councillor L. Tweddle	Councillor Mrs. J. Prest
Councillor Mrs. M Smith	

IN ATTENDANCE – Clerk

ALSO ATTENDING – Councillor S. Layden Carlisle City Council
Councillor L. Fisher, Cumbria County Council.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Councillors Skimming and Hendry
Councillor Mitchelson, Carlisle City Council

262. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor C. Ridley declared an interest in item 265.2

263. MINUTES

263.1 MINUTE

Minute of the Meeting held on 30th March 2010 was submitted.

APPROVED

263.2 MATTERS ARISING

REPLACEMENT TREE ADJACENT 85-87 MAIN STREET, BRAMPTON (Min. 244)

NOTED that a cherry tree had been planted by the contractors after consultation with Charles Bennett, Tree Officer, Carlisle City Council

264. COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were submitted Minutes of Meetings of

Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 13th April 2010
Property and Environment Committee held on 13th April 2010

264.1 NOTED the Minutes.

264.2 APPROVED the recommendations for implementation

265. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING - APPLICATIONS

Applications for planning consent were submitted.

AGREED to advise the appropriate Planning Authority of the Council's comments as follows:-

265.1 17/19 HIGH STREET, BRAMPTON – Variation of condition 4 relating to planning ref: 96/0018 to allow the premises to trade between 08:00 and 23:00 hours seven days a week to include bank holidays.

No comment

265.2 FORMER HIGHWAYS DEPOT AND DANDYCROFT, STATION ROAD, BRAMPTON – Demolition of former bungalow (Dandycroft) and associated outbuildings (CAC).

No comment

266. BRAMPTON IN BLOOM

266.1 BRAMPTON IN BLOOM 2010

NOTED a report by Councillor Ridley on her decision to organise this years Brampton In Bloom competition. Councillor Ridley would liaise with the Clerk on the available budget and would be meeting with members of the Gardeners Network Group. Councillor Ridley asked could as many Council members as possible please help.

266.2 FLOWER BED DISPLAYS

A letter from Valerie Dash was submitted regarding the possibility of turning one of the flower beds at St. Martins Church into one with permanent planting. Ms. Dash also mentioned the signs entering Brampton had not had the lettering rectified and still said “Please Die Carefully”.

266.2.1 NOTED the letter

266.2.2 AGREED that permanent planting had previously encouraged litter to be thrown into the bed. Councillor Ridley would speak to the grounds maintenance contractor.

266.2.3 NOTED that concerns regarding the signs entering Brampton were passed to Councillors Layden and Fisher.

267. PROBLEM PARKING AROUND BRAMPTON

267.1 STREET PARKING ON STANLEY ROAD

A letter was submitted from Paul Mitchell regarding problems with street parking on Stanley Road.

267.1 NOTED the letter.

267.2 NOTED a report from Councillor Layden that he and Councillor Mitchelson were aware of the issues and have had a site visit and agreed to use some of their small scale project budget to create more spaces. The paperwork was in the process of going through.

267.2 PARKING AT WILLIAM HOWARD SCHOOL AND THE CO-OP

A letter was submitted from Ronald Lake regarding problem parking at William Howard School and the Co-op.

267.2 NOTED the letter.

267.3 AGREED, after discussion, that the Clerk would write to Lorraine Hughes at the school to highlight the problem.

267.4 NOTED that Councillor Fisher would look into the problem parking.

268. REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS

268.1 BRAMPTON ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP

NOTED a report from Councillor Tarbitt on a meeting of the Brampton Economic Partnership. Useful information regarding a grant to support faster broadband in the area was submitted and a new representative for Hadrians Wall had been appointed. The group did not want to be part of the Parish Council website. It was still difficult to understand everyone’s responsibilities.

268.2 SUSTAINABLE ENERGY FAIR

NOTED a report from Councillor Lewsley on her recent attendance at the Energy Fair held at Brampton Community Centre. There had been various projects on display explaining slurry/wood burning/solar/biofuel/wind power etc and was very informative.

Councillor Lewsley had spoken to Tim Coombs from the Brampton Community Trust regarding a recent article in the Cumberland News on alternative energy for Brampton and where was the consultation with members of the public. Mr. Coombs had stated that if there was no protest it would be assumed that people were for the project. Councillor Lewsley felt that this was a dangerous premise but that Mr. Coombs would take this on board.

268.3 PROPOSED SKATEPARK/BMX TRACK

NOTED a report from Councillor G. Prest on a recent meeting with Councillor Siddle, the Clerk and Councillor Mitchelson, Carlisle City Council at King George V field to discuss the siting of the proposed skatepark/bmx track and M.U.G.A. It was agreed that King George V field would be the best place to site the skatepark/bmx track as it had already been used for football and as a playground area for a long time however the City Council were hoping to site the M.U.G.A. at the Community Centre. Councillor Mitchelson was asked about funding for the skatepark/bmx track and would look into this.

268.4 CARLISLE ENVIRONMENT FORUM

NOTED a report by Councillor Siddle on a recent meeting of the Carlisle Environment Forum. Two representatives had given presentations on community energy empowerment. Cumbria Vision had completed a survey with 270 responses but these had been targeted at individuals with a specific interest in such a project and the speaker did acknowledge that this was not representative of the wider public. The group appeared to be only interested in those who would put money into such a project to further the objective.

Tim Coombs from the Brampton Community Trust had stated at the meeting that they were hoping to get the scheme in Brampton off the ground within 12 months.

269. CALC

269.1 CALC CIRCULAR

The April 2010 edition of the CALC circular was submitted.

NOTED.

270. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

NOTED that the following correspondence had been received:-

270.1 FUNDING OF LANERCOST ROAD SIGNS – Letter from Burtholme Parish Council.

270.2 CPCA MEETING – Letter from R. Auld detailing meeting of the CPCA on Thursday 13th May in Brampton Community Centre Café at 7.00pm.

Councillor Pattinson and Tarbitt to attend.

270.3 COMMUNITY OWNED RENEWABLE ENERGY CONFERENCE – Letter from CALC detailing conference to be held on 22nd of May from 9.30am at Penrith Methodist Church.

271. LITERATURE AVAILABLE FROM CLERK

NOTED that the following literature is available from the office for any interested Councillors:-

271.1 FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE – 1 May to 31 August 2010

PRESENT

Councillor Mrs. C. Ridley (in the Chair)
Councillor J. J. Harding
Councillor J. Hendry

Councillor Mrs. S Lewsley
Councillor Mrs. J. Pattinson

IN ATTENDANCE - Clerk

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Councillors G. Prest and Smith

272. MINUTE

272.1 Minute of the Meeting held on 13th April 2010 was submitted.

APPROVED.

272.2 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

272.2.1 MOOT HALL TOWER CLOCK (Min. 253.2.1)

NOTED that the Clerk had applied for a grant through the City Councils Historical Building Grant and would also apply through Neighbourhood Forum and CPCA.

273. FINANCIAL MATTERS -

273.1 BANK RECONCILIATIONS TO 30TH APRIL 2010

There was submitted a report by the Clerk on the reconciliation of the Council's financial records with its bank and Building Society accounts statements.

NOTED the report.

273.2 IMPREST

There was submitted a report by the Clerk advising of the income received and the expenditure incurred since the last meeting through the imprest system.

NOTED

273.3 FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS

There was submitted a report by the Clerk detailing the expenditure incurred and the income received since the last report to this Committee.

273.3.1 APPROVED the expenditure of £12,936.00 detailed in the Appendix hereto

273.3.2 NOTED the income of £90,465.00 detailed in the Appendix hereto.

273.3.3 AGREED to put Christmas Lights on the Agenda for the next Council meeting and ask City Councillors for help with funding the erection of the lights.

273.4 EXPENDITURE TO APPROVE

There was submitted a report by the Clerk detailing expenditure to approve.

APPROVED the expenditure of £1,464.96 detailed in the Appendix hereto.

274. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

None received

275. BRAMPTON IN BLOOM

Councillor Ridley reported on the need for volunteers to help with the Brampton In Bloom competition and a request to alter the end flower bed at St. Martins Church into a rockery to stop misuse from cyclists.

275.1 NOTED the report

275.2 AGREED to defer a request for volunteers to the next Council meeting.

275.3 AGREED to alter the flower bed at St. Martins Church into a rockery with any incurred expenditure being used from the Brampton In Bloom budget.

275.4 AGREED to a sign being placed at the Fairtrade flowerbed on behalf of Brampton Primary School

276. INSURANCE

A report was heard from the Clerk on the cost of insurance for the coming year from Allianz Cornhill/Aon Limited

AGREED to accept the quote from Allianz Cornhill/Aon Limited at a cost of £5611.76

277. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960 - To consider resolving, in terms of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and Standing Order No. 64, that, in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, (i.e. contract terms), it is advisable in the public interest that the public be temporarily excluded and that they be instructed to withdraw

278. REPAIRS TO WALL AT SHOWFIELD CAR PARK

Estimates from C. Bell and J. Riddell regarding repairs to the wall at Showfield Car Park were submitted.

AGREED to accept the tender submitted from J. Riddell in the sum of £2640.00 for the repair of the wall and that the Clerk would ask Mr. Riddell if he could do the railing work any cheaper than the £1530.00 quoted.

£	Supplier	Detail
204.64	Carlisle City Council	Rates
66.13	Carlisle City Council	Rates
154.00	British Gas	Heat & Light
50.00	E-on	Heat & Light
26.90	Vodafone	Telephone
301.00	CALC	Subscription
13.50	CALC	LCR - subscription
106.40	J Ratcliffe	Staff
236.73	P Reynolds	Staff
1973.63	HMR&C	Staff - PAYE
23.50	Brampton Skip Hire	Open Spaces
3024.64	Blachere	Xmas lights
4.65	ABW	Moot Hall
8.77	United Utilities	Parks
16.96	United Utilities	Allotments
15.86	Carruthers Timber	Open Spaces
30.00	Cumbria In Bloom	B'ton In Bloom – entry fee
300.00	Burtholme PC	Grant
4935.00	Carlisle City Council	Xmas lights
1409.19	A Riddell	Staff
34.50	Sustainable Brampton	Grant

£12,936.00

Income

£	Detail	Cost centre
265.00	Market Tolls	Market
40.00	Market Tolls	Market
80.00	Market Tolls	Market
70.00	Pip Hall	Cemetery
386.00	Kennedy & Ferguson	Cemetery
430.00	Co-operative Funeralcare	Cemetery
30.00	Macmillan Cancer Relief	Moot Hall
20.00	Castle Carrock Church Cncl	Moot Hall
15.00	B'ton Methodist Church	Moot Hall
70.00	Carlisle Stonecraft	Cemetery
45.00	Chris Barnfield	Moot Hall
41.00	Co-operative Funeralcare	Cemetery
15.00	Fairtrade Group	Moot Hall
15.00	Peter Pym	Moot Hall
15.00	Cumbria Cerebral Palsy	Moot Hall
50.00	Fletchers Fair	Xmas lights
88,878.00	Carlisle City Council	Precept 2010/11

£90,465.00

Appendix 2

Expenditure To Approve

£	Supplier	Detail
106.40	J Ratcliffe	Staff
282.00	R&M Lowther	Open Spaces – tree removal
355.77	BRHS	Office
81.36	Chandlers	Moot Hall/open spaces
254.30	Business Finance Solutions	Photocopier
124.98	Lyreco	Office
17.58	ABW	Parks/Open spaces
204.83	P Reynolds	Staff
37.74	S Lewsley	Members training
£1,464.96		

PRESENT

Councillor Mrs. C. Ridley (in the chair)
Councillor Mrs. J. Pattinson

Councillor Mrs. V. Tarbitt
Councillor J. L. Twedde

Councillor I. A. Pennington
Councillor Mrs. P. Skimming

IN ATTENDANCE – Clerk

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Councillors Siddle, Read-Bone, G. Prest and J. Prest

279. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

AGREED, in the absence of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Property and Environment Committee, to elect Councillor Ridley as Chairman of the meeting.

280. MINUTES

280.1 MINUTE

Minute of the meeting held on 13th April 2010 was submitted.

APPROVED

280.2 MATTERS ARISING

280.2.1 14 MORPETH CLOSE, BRAMPTON (Min. 259.2)

NOTED that the applicant does have access to the property over land which was previously thought to be private from a conveyance dated 10th October 1986.

281. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Ridley declared a non-prejudicial interest in item 282.4

282. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING – APPLICATIONS

282.1 THE BYRE, CROOKED HOLME, BRAMPTON – Construction of a greenhouse and tool shed on ground floor with garden room at first floor level (LBC)

No comment

282.2 GREEN LANE HOUSE, GREENHILL, BRAMPTON – Proposed extension to residential home to provide ten extra bedrooms and associated facilities to ground floor together with staff facilities and owners/managers flat to first floor (LBC)

No comment

282.3 BRAMPTON PLAYHOUSE, MOAT SIDE, BRAMPTON – Demolition of redundant Brampton Playhouse. Erection of 5 dwellings with on site parking (CAC) (Revised application)

After discussion, **AGREED** to **OBJECT** with the following comments:-

- the proposal is not in keeping with the conservation area
- inappropriate house design
- overdevelopment of the site
- lack of adequate residents' parking provision
- concern on road safety grounds at the proposed access/exit to the public highway

282.4 FORMER HIGHWAYS DEPOT AND DANDYCROFT, STATION ROAD, BRAMPTON – Erection of 42 dwellings and associated infrastructure

No comment

283. NOTIFICATION OF DECISIONS -

A note of the decisions of the appropriate planning authority on applications on which the Committee or Parish Council had previously been consulted was submitted.

NOTED.

284. THE MOTE

An agreed date for a site survey of The Mote to view proposed works discussed at the previous meeting is required by members of the Committee

AGREED to defer consideration of a date for a site visit at The Mote until the next Council meeting.

285. PARISH FOOTPATHS SURVEY

Councillors were reminded to submit their footpath surveys as soon as possible.

AGREED, that as most footpaths had been left to Councillor Pennington, that the remaining footpaths that have not been surveyed should be allotted to other Councillors at the next Council meeting.