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**Minutes of the Council meeting held on Monday 30th
January 2023 at 7pm in the Council Rooms**

Present

Minute No 170

Cllrs Sir JFS Graham (chair) G Routledge (vice chair) E Robinson, L Mason, C Johannsen, R Graham, City Cllr J Mallinson
Cllr M Gunson joined the meeting at 8pm.

Apologies

Minute No 171

Apologies and reason for absence were received from Cllr. C Adams and County Cllr T Pickstone.

**Declaration of
Interest**

Minute No 172

There were no declarations of interest made.

**Members of the
public**

Minute No 173

There were no members of the public present.

Police matters

Minute No 174

Noted there were issues with anti-social behaviour.

**County and City
Cllrs update**

Minute No 175

Through the clerk, by e-mail Cllr T Pickstone reported

- Any police issues to address get in touch as he has a meeting coming up with police .
- Submitted an objection to the planning application, Gleeson Homes, Brampton Road in support of residents of Briar Lea Court. This land is not designated for Housing.
- Raised concerns about potholes, clerk confirmed these were reported and some now had temporary repairs.
- Community Centre would welcome being part of any community events the parish council are planning for the Kings Coronation.

Mindful that the March meeting will be the last for Cllr J Mallinson due to the Unitary Authority effective from 1st April, and the possibility he may not be able to attend the March meeting, the chairman expressed thanks and appreciation for all the support and work Cllr Mallinson has contributed over the years.

**Representatives on
other bodies**
Minute No 176

Longtown Community Centre

Cllr C Johannsen updated there were a number of events and ideas planned to increase footfall.

Reference the clerk's discussion with the Manager regarding the Community Centre taking over the Foodbank/Pop up Pantry, Cllr Johannsen's intention to help noted.

CAP Initiative

Cllr C Johannsen the next meeting was due to be held , clerk, at the request of Cllr G Routledge to check the Community Centre has had the full allocation of funds held by the Parish Council for this initiative.

Incredible Edible

Quiet, progressing with plans for the Spring.

**Minutes of meeting
5th December**
Minute No 177

The minutes of the meeting held on the 5th December were agreed and signed by the chairman as a true record.

**Minutes of Finance
meeting 23rd
January 2023**
Minute No 178

The minutes of the Finance meeting held on the 23rd January was agreed and signed by the chairman as a true record.

**To confirm Precept
Minute No 179**

The precept, as recommended at the Finance meeting with the breakdown of the Financial Draft was agreed at £71,388 , a 15% increase. As explained at the Finance meeting this was to cover possible Election costs in 2023 (previously paid by Carlisle City Council) and the necessity to build up the reserves that were currently not at an acceptable level.

Cllr C Johannsen asked it is minuted she was not in agreement of this increase.

**Coronation
celebrations**
Minute No 180

Following discussion, the following was confirmed and agreed.

- Community Centre booked for Parish Council to host an afternoon tea with entertainment for the senior citizens of the parish. The Community Centre has confirmed their contribution will be no charge for room hire for the event and to fund the entertainment on the day for children. It had been suggested all ages come together for the afternoon tea. It was agreed further thought needed on the practicalities of this.
- The clerk asked councillors to consider there were sufficient volunteers for the event.
- Councillors considered what to purchase as a memento to

give to the children in the parish. To be discussed further at the next meeting.

Clerks update
Minute No 181

- Clerk to request an update from CCC Highways on progress to repair the handrail at The Scaur steps.
- Potholes in a number of locations reported.
- Problems with the pelican crossing on High Street on a number of occasions recently reported and being addressed.
- It was agreed that in the near future a meeting needs to be arranged with the Parish Council and Arthuret Parochial Church Council to consider the future use and management of The Moot Hall.

Christmas party
Minute No 182

Positive feedback was received from those who attended the senior citizens Christmas Party, there was a good turnout, and many residents who had meals delivered had sent their appreciation.

Date of next meeting
Minute No 183

Date of next meeting 6th March.

Planning
Minute No 184

PROPOSAL

Appn Ref 22/0980

Erection of detached building to provide restaurant, gymnasium, swimming pool, treatment rooms and changing facilities.

Hidden River Cabins, Brackenhill, Longtown

Supported.

Appn Ref 22/0958

Erection of single storey rear extension to provide additional living accommodation. 53 Lovers Lane

Supported, neighbouring properties consulted.

Appn Ref 22/0948

Siting of new biomass boiler and associated flue, Hidden River Café, Brackenhill, Longtown

Supported.

DECISION

Appn Ref 22/0164

Erection of 1no. holiday treehouse, associated external works, and drainage, including change of use from amenity woodland.
Cistern Wood, Netherby Estate, Longtown
Granted permission.

ACCOUNTS
Minute No 185

		DECEMBER	
704170	63	Reissued see Ch.no.705188	
704171	64	Longtown Primary School PTA grant Community Pot	380.00
704172	65	Gardner's Guns grant Community Pot	100.00
704173	66	M Gunson petty cash Allotments	50.00
704174	67	M Gunson -keys for Council Rooms	7.45
704175		R Highmore - cleaner Council Rooms	83.07
704176	68	D Beattie - Riverside, changing rooms Cleaner	414.00
704177		Clerk salary -inc. backdated pay increase to April 22	2,767.03
704178		HMRC-Tax, NI, pension	1,282.09
704179	69	Duplication	
704180	70	M Gunson - reimbursed Christmas party	155.62
704181	71	K Johnson - reimburse Christmas Party	109.08
704182		HMRC	866.96
704183	72	Murrays Printers - raffle tickets	42.39
704184	73	Entertainment for Senior citizens party	200.00
704185	74	N Mossop - new nativity crib	625.00
704186	75	C Adams - reimburse festive lights	86.20
704187	76	G Routledge - reimburse festive Competition prize money	140.00
704188	77	Longtown Brownies/ Guides Community Pot Gant (REPLACE CH.705170)	400.00
704189	78	K Dixon -Community Pot grant for Santa Trail	350.00
704190	79	Cochranes, flowers for Mayor	25.00
704191		Cancelled - Gretna Bakery requested cash Paid out of petty cash	50.00
704192		Retained	
704193	80	D Beattie - Riverside, changing rooms Cleaning	414.00
704194		Clerk salary	2,150.39
704195		HMRC - Tax, NI and pension	784.97
704196	81	Foodbank	100.00
704197	82	Sycamore Tree Café - senior citizens Christmas meal	960.00
704198		R Highmore - cleaner Council Rooms	83.07

		JANUARY 2023	
704199	83	Ian Pearson - to clean gutters Council Rooms, reinstate fixings for solar Powered Christmas trees	399.54
704200	84	G Routledge -reimbursement Christmas celebrations	17.60
704201		Retained	
704202		D Beattie - changing rooms cleaning	132.00
704203	85	G Routledge - reimburse Christmas Party	112.00
70204		Retained	
		JANUARY	
704205	86	G Routledge - reimburse Christmas lights	52.96
704206	87	K Johnson mileage claimed	8.80
704207		Retained	
704208		Retained	
704209	88	K Johnson - foodbank mileage	17.20
704210		Retained	
704211	89	John Smith Electrical - to supply, erect and manage Christmas Lights	6,998.07
704212	90	K Murchison Trees- trees TENDER	2,1000.00
704213	91	Sycamore Tree Christmas lunch	960.00

Correspondence
Minute No 186

1. NALC Newsletter.
2. ACT Update.
3. LGR Cumberland Town and Parish Councils update.
4. CALC Updates.
5. NALC Chief Executives bulletin.
6. LGR Newsletter
7. CALC- supporting people in rural areas in current crisis.
8. Carlisle Focus

