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Minutes of the Kentmere Parish Meeting held on Mon. 9 Dec 1996 at 7.30

Present Mr. W. Otty in the Chair, Mr. P. Dawson, Vice Chairman, Mrs. S. Hayton, Mrs. C. Foster, Mrs. J. Raven, Mr. C. Black, Mr. J. Williams, Mr. H. Fry, Mrs. A. Cummings, Miss P. Cummings, Miss F. Cummings, Mr T. Sturgis, Mr P. Mitchell, Mrs. J. Otty, Mrs J. Bialy, Mrs S. Gregory, Mrs. R. Dawson, Mrs. J. Dawson, Mr. T. Harrison, Miss J., Colley, County Cllr E. Acland.

Apologies for absence Mr. C. Gregory, Mr. & Mrs. J. Barkway, Cllr S. Collins.

Minutes of the annual meeting held on 26th March 1996 These were read and Mrs. S. Hayton proposed, Mr H. Fry seconded the proposal to accept them as a true record. The meeting supported this without dissent.

Respects The meeting stood in silent tribute to parishioners deceased in the last year: Mrs Ann Lois Reynolds in February, Mrs. Winnie Leyland in April and Mrs. Barbara Mitchell in March.

Congratulations to Penny Hayton and Mark Raven on the birth of their daughter Rebecca in August.

Matters arising from the Minutes

Kentmere Water Company: The Chairman reported receipt of the Inspector's report which recommended that the appeal against the refusal of planning permission should be dismissed for a number of reasons. Mr Pennington, the owner, is not prepared to say what he may or may not do at the site.

Kentmere Reservoir: Repairs to the dam were completed in the Summer. It is now full and flowing over the slipway. Mr. Fry proposed that a letter be sent to Croppers expressing appreciation. Seconded by Mrs. Gregory and approved without dissent.

Kentmere Bus Service: This year passenger numbers had increased to about 1.5 per trip. Cumbria CC gave £850 towards the cost. It is not known whether funds will be available to support the bus next year.

Car Parking : Last Spring the area Cumbria CC Highway Engineer stated his intention to get approval of the County Highways Committee before proceeding with the car park & no -parking zone. He has not yet done so.

The LDNP say money is available but they have to wait for the agreement of the CCC. The Chairman promised to keep in close contact with both bodies.

Matters arising raised from the floor There were none.

Any Other Business

Council Tax: Annual Precept The Chairman had requested £120, the same amount as last year. The last bank statement shows a balance of £221.60 at 10 July '96

Three Yearly Audit This was completed in October. The Auditor's comments were:

- 1. All cheques must be signed by the Chairman and Vice-Chairman.*
- 2. To avoid the expense of recovering paid cheques from the bank, in future both Officers should also sign the cheque stubs.*
- 3. In future all spending must be approved by resolution of the next Parish Meeting. Hence, since the last Annual Accounts*

Approval of Expenditure Cheque no. 307095 £13.75 2 Apr '96 Cumbria Assocn of Local Councils Membership fee. This was approved by a motion proposed by Mr. Fry, seconded by Mrs. Foster and carried unanimously.

Electoral Roll The draft Electoral Roll for 16 Feb '97 – 15 Feb '98 was available.

Hepworth Air Filtration On 16 October we were all invited to see the newly installed plant which is making hi-tech filtration material. A good number of people enjoyed a most interesting visit. The Chairman later wrote to the manager Mr Collingwood to thank him for the invitation and the well-organised tour.

Several parishioners have asked if the bright orange light at the works could be shaded so that it would be less prominent. The Chairman undertook to write to Hepworths.

Any other business raised from the floor

- 1. Mr. Fry asked whether the formerly existing white line across the foot of Lowfield Lane at Cross Howe could be repainted to improve road safety.*
- 2. He also asked whether the old silage bags adjacent to the fishery gate could be removed to eliminate an eyesore. Believed to belong to Mr. L. Hayton*
- 3. He also asked whether anything can be done about the increasing number of 4x4 vehicles using both Garburn and Sadgill unmade roads.*

4. *He further asked in anything can be done about gravel washing down Hellwell Lane.*
5. *Mrs Cummings complained about gravel washing over the road from the start of the Garburn Road.*
6. *She also pointed out the fence built across the green road behind Rawe Cottage which might be blocking a right of way.*
7. *There were reports of pot holes in Hellwell Lane and Gravengate and that the corrugations in the road near the Works appear to be getting worse.*

The Chairman undertook to look into all these matters.

Kentmere Television Scheme

The Chairman reported good performance and reliability. There were no complaints from those present.

Address by Councillor E. Acland

Mr. Acland encouraged parishioners to attend the Neighbourhood Forum and to make use of the available grants. In reply to a question by Mrs. Bialy he stated that the funds come from the County Council.

When Mr. Acland referred to the proposed car park Mrs Cummings raised the matter of parking priority for local people and commented on the "no parking further on" sign at the Institute. Mr Acland was unable to help with these matters by promised to do what he could to expedite the parking scheme.

The meeting ended at 9 p.m.