

Bilsdale Midcable Parish Council
Minutes of the meeting held on 5th September 2012

Present: Councillors M Bowes, D Hollingworth, S Barker, C Devlin
Also present C Seymour

12.86 Apologies were received from Cllr C Mcgee, P Smith, Clerk and D Hugill.

12.87 There were no declarations of any personal or prejudicial interest.

12.88 The minutes of the meeting held on 27th June 2012 were agreed and signed.

12.89 Matters Arising - further discussions are needed with Miriam Stanton about the problems of the bridleway onto the moor. MLB to contact MS. It was noted that the Post Office had indicated that the recent changes of local postmen had been carried out in accordance with the procedures agreed with the union. It was agreed to thank Bob McDowall for the excellent service he had provided over the years.

Action MLB

12.90 Police Report - noted. There had recently been some thefts in the dale and further publicity should be given in the Bilsdale Beacon to seek a volunteer to review the neighbourhood watch scheme. Action CMcG

12.91 Finance - it was agreed to issue cheques for £60 to Mazars, (external auditors) and for £273.76 to R&R Garbutt (verge cutting). It was noted that the external auditors had signed off the accounts for 2011/12 with no comments

12.92 Low Cost Housing - major concern was expressed about the failure of Home Housing to follow the correct procedures when allocating the vacant house in Chop Gate. While the company has apologised, the stated excuse, new untrained staff, reflected poor management. Recent correspondence with the company was noted and the actions of the National Park authority were supported.

12.93 Forestry wagons - it was noted that following incidents in Chop Gate and along Raisdale, smaller wagons were now being used to transport timber.

12.93 Roads - following a discussion about the poor state of many roads in the area it was agreed to request the County Council to remove silt from Urra Road and Raisdale Road near the cattle grid, Action PS. Further information will be requested about the proposed no waiting signs near the school. Action PS. Detailed information about

the deteriorating state of Raisdale Road will be collated and sent to CC. action PS, MLB.

12.94 Verges in village. - the verges in the village had not been cut by NYCC. It was agreed to request that this work be completed. Action PS

12.95 Correspondence - recent progress on updating the community web site was noted. Appropriate agreements will need to be in place to clarify responsibilities.

12.96 Next meeting - 7.30pm Wednesday 21st November, 2012.

Signed

Date