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A Meeting of the above Council took place on Wednesday 20th January 2016 at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall, Newton Reigny

PRESENT Councillors C. J. Davies. (chairman). E. S. Graham. K. Monaghan. J. Elliott. D. Savage. D. Bell. and the clerk F. P. Barbour. Also present, C. C. C. Councillor Tom. Wentworth. Waites . E.D.C Councillors. Elaine Martin : and Lesley Grisedale. also present parishioner. Mr. W. Leech.

APOLOGIES. Were received from Councillor A. Blackburn.

MINUTES. The minutes of the last Meeting, were read ,approved, and signed by the Chairman C. J. Davies.

MATTERS ARISING. It was reported that the new Lonsdale Net, broadband mast was now operational on the North Beacon Fell.

CORRESPONDENCE. An Email from CCC highways with regard to a suggestion by The Environment Agency, for removal of the footbridge at Newton Reigny, in order to minimise flooding to riverside property. . This idea was rejected by the Parish Council, with proposals of Restoring the original river approach width, cleaning out the river bed approaches to, and under the bridge abutments. Increasing the west river bank bund. . Cleaning out the old mill tail race. which exits the Sun Inn car park..

A letter from Miss Rebecca Ellwood requesting grant aid for a forthcoming educational trip to Tanzania was considered. In line with past similar applications, It was agreed to approve a grant of £50. and a cheque was completed in that sum. A note of an Eden District Council regarding an open Meeting in Millhouse Village Hall . on 9th February 6.30 p.m. was read

NOTICE BOARD. .An estimate to make a glazed, oak notice board for Newton Reigny was received from D. Booker Joinery, at cost of £350. Including painting. The Parish Council agreed to accept the estimate

DEFIBRILLATOR. According to information from. Lauren Watson of N H S North West Ambulance Service. The cost of providing an enclosure to protect a Defibrillator for use in Catterlen Village , would be £1000. A Defibrillator would be then provided , maintained, and serviced thereafter, free of charge. It was agreed to accept, and proceed with the proposal.

PRECEPT. The clerk presented a statement of calculated, Parish Council expenditure for current year ending 31st March 2016. A budget forecast for the ensuing financial year 2016--17 was also presented. In consideration of information provided, the Parish Council agreed to set the Precept at £6000. .

PLANNING MATTERS. Notice was received from E D C Department of Planning regarding a proposed Solar Farm at Moss Thorn, having been refused. Reason approval would create unacceptable, highly visible intrusion in the landscape. A Proposed One and a half storey Dwelling , for M. Graham at rear of Kiln Tofts, has been granted.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS. It was reported that EDC Chief Financial Director, Mr. P. Foote is due to retire. Also a general reorganisation of EDC admin staff is in progress. In line with cost savings. It was noted that Lazonby Fire Station is in danger of being closed. The Parish Council is not in favour of any closure of a vital and important strategic service It was also reported the first street light being out at the Catterlen approach to Newton Reigny . There being no other business to transact the Chairman closed the Meeting at 8.45p.m.

Signed.....

Col. J. Dawie

Dated.....

25/04/16.