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A Meeting of the above Council took place on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Newton Reigny.

PRESENT. Councillors. E. S. Graham (Vice chairman) K. Monaghan. J. Elliott. A. Blackburn. D. Bell. D. Savage. E.D.C Mrs E. Martin. parishioner W. Leech and the clerk F. P. Barbour.

APOLOGIES. Were received from Chairman C. J. Davies and E.D.C Councillor. Mrs. L. Grisedale.

MINUTES. The Minutes of the last Meeting were read approved and signed by Vice Chairman. E. S. Graham.

MATTERS ARISING. The clerk reported that to date no response had been forthcoming from C.C.C. Highways department with regard to allowing Parish Council to take over the repair of the recently broken signpost finger.

CORRESPONDENCE. A letter regarding an invitation to the Buckingham Palace Garden Party on 31<sup>st</sup> May. was received, it was agreed to enquire if Chairman C .J. Davies. wished to attend. An Email from Police Commissioner Peter McCall. regarding his proposal to increase police numbers. This would be funded by, for example, an increase of £12 per annum on a Band .D. property. The Parish Council was not in agreement with this proposal. An invoice in respect of grass cutting on the area next to bridge, and play area was received, a cheque was completed for payment in the sum of £270.

CHURCHYARD. With regard to the amended agreement between Parish council and Newton Reigny P C C. To date no reply has been received. An estimate from June's Garden Services, quoted £180 per cut with grass mulching. It was agreed the clerk seek estimates from other. Grounds Maintenance Contractors.

BUS SHELTER. The clerk presented an up to date quote from B & C Shelter Solutions Ltd. In the sum of £3784. + Vat. It was agreed to proceed with this project, subject to planning approvals. Removal and disposal of the existing bus shelter to be carried out by Parish Council. As soon as practicable.

PRECEPT. The clerk presented a forecast of expected budget requirements for the coming financial year beginning 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018. Following an in depth discussion of expected expenditure it was agreed by all Members present to set the Precept at £7000.

The clerk also reported on forthcoming changes to the Annual Governance and Accountability Return for 2017/18

STREET LIGHTING. Cllr I J. Elliott reported on a recent Workshop Meeting he attended with E.D.C regarding devolution of responsibility for provision and maintenance of Parish Street Lighting. Further to that Meeting the EDC has stated that it will now continue to provide the " maintenance and electricity supply service" until 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022.

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PLANNING MATTERS. Notice has been received, showing approval of the following applications: -

1. New Dwelling, at Reigny Cottage for Mr. A. Manning.
2. Single Storey Side Extension at 11. The Drive. Newton Rigg for Mr. and Mrs. Keefe.
3. Reserved Matters. on Land between Garth View and Old Park. Catterlen, for Mr. I Dalton.

An application No. 17/1095 re, Four Market Dwellings, on land at Bank Foot. Newton Reigny. For Mr. A. Robson. was considered Two letters of strong objection to this application being received from nearby property owners. In consideration of these valid objections, and with regard to local knowledge, and experience of the proposed site. It was agreed that the application to construct housing on this site is not appropriate. For the following reasons:-

1. The application form part 5. "Assessment of Flood Risk". Is incorrect in that there is a known danger of ground, and surface water run off, which will effect existing lower level properties, and dwellings, including the Sun Inn.
2. This green field site with underground springs and high water table, is not appropriate for residential development.
3. The application Is an attempt to extend the boundary of the built environment of Newton Reigny Village.
4. Due to lack of any Footway, and poor Highway Sight lines, The Parish Council is not satisfied that Pedestrian, and Vehicular safety issues have properly been addressed.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS. It was again brought to the notice of the Parish Council, of the continued, poor state of the Highway between Newton Rigg and Sewborwens Farm entrance. The clerk agreed to contact C.C.C Highways. with regard to this matter. There being no other business to transact the Vice Chairman closed the Meeting at 9.00 p.m.

Signed.....

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