PRESENT: Gordon Edwards (Chairman), Will Childs, Gary Britton, Peter Anstee, Filomena Palmer (Clerk)

1. To Receive and approve apologies for absence:

   Stuart Lewis and Ian Booth

RESOLVED: All the above was approved by the Chairman

2. To Receive and approve for signature the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 12th December 2017

RESOLVED: That the minutes be signed by the chairman as a correct record of the meeting

3. To Note any matters arising from the 12th December 2017 Minutes

RESOLVED: No Matters arose from the December Minutes

4. Public Participation Session.

5. There was no public present.
6. To receive declarations of interest under the Council’s Code of Conduct related to business on the agenda.

7. To discuss email from Pathfinder II (Dannielle Kopecky) as requested by Gary

RESOLVED: Gordon introduced Jo and Dannielle from Pathfinder II. Jo explained the process and work of Pathfinder II. They will do a survey of our catchment area and identify and report back of our weaknesses and things that will need to be addressed, with their support, with regard to possible flood areas.

8. To receive any financial or management requirements i.e. insurance etc: re Lowick Pocket Park also the possibility of Land Registry.

RESOLVED: The Clerk reported that she had telephoned the Insurance Company requesting that they confirm in writing that the Parish Council’s policy covers the Pocket Park. The Insurance Company said they would look into it and email back with details as soon as possible. The Clerk also agreed to pick up some Bank Mandate forms to be completed by Karen (a Pocket Park committee member) so that she can maintain the Pocket Park Accounts. It was also agreed that we try and economise on the Pocket Park expenditure by cutting back on the mowing of the grass (which is the largest expenditure). Karen agreed that we try it out for this following year by only paying for the football field to be mowed by the present contractor and arrange for volunteers to mow the playground area as that was more difficult to mow.

9. To discuss immanent price increase as advised by E-on and the possible change of supplier to our electricity supply, also the possibility of changing our existing lights and the costing of it whether paying in full or on our quarterly bill and maintenance contract.

RESOLVED: It was agreed that Gary would contact Cardinal and clarify their proposal and costing on the possibility of the Parish Council changing our electricity supplier. He would then email his findings and the Councillors would make a final decision and confirm whether to go ahead before the next meeting, so that no more time would be wasted.
ADDITION TO ITEM 9 (DATED 19TH APRIL 2018 @ 12.07 pm) After emails between Gary Britton (Lowick and Slinton Councillor) and Ricky Gosling of Cardinal Energy (and copies distributed to all other PC Councillors) it has been proposed by Gary that we agree to proceed with the proposal of changing our Energy supplier and that Gary can apply for an interest free loan to cover the cost of replacing all the Street lights at once.

Can all the PC Councillors sent a email to Gary confirming their approval of this proposition

10. To Discuss any planning issue that may arise

RESOLVED: No planning issues were raised

11. To receive financial accounts to date

RESOLVED: The Clerk reported that our accounts were quite healthy and if the councillors decided to go ahead with the change of the existing lights to LED and pay for them over a period of time with the quarterly bill then we could easily afford the installations of two defibrillators and cabinets.

12. Date of next meeting was agreed to be on Tuesday, 19th June 2018 at 7.30pm in the Germain Rooms

13. There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.00pm

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