

Councillors Garrigill Ward Meeting 11th May at the Village Hall

Apologies: — —- LH , PA, BH, SH.

Housekeeping.

Unfortunately EG was the only Councillor in attendance so was elected as Chair and Note Taker (Residents in attendance were BG and PG with MH from Westmorland and Furness Council.)

Q&A with MH :— —- Sustrans sign for CtoC missing from Hartside(this is sitting in a barn) . Discussion took place with decision made as to put on side not owned by present owner of Hartside Cafe and EG to raise matter with Highways at next Traffic Management meeting. Also see whether possibility for one's in Alston , Garrigill and Nenthead. Although money would need to be raised for these .

Explanation of Council development as to where Eden sits within Westmorland and Furness Council. — — — Full Council will meet 4 times a year. Eden has a locality board which will meet regularly in Penrith. Also there will be locality planning boards. The main Party is Lib Dem with Lab next in Councillor numbers. Local plans will not change with refuse collections and recycling staying the same. There will be a harmonising of services to be discussed in the new W&F council. For the time being anyway there will be no change to our blue refuse bags , bins may not be an option. Contract remains in place until 2027.

The area may be too small for a Mayor.

Labour Councillors have supported the Lib/ Dems in their decision making.

Rise in Council tax in Eden disproportionate to Barrow and South Lakes. — —- discussed. One of the “ harmonising of services. “ More likely for Alston to see monies and improvement in infrastructure than Garrigill or Nenthead. Let's see how things pan out over next few years.

Transport — — monies needed for rural areas to achieve this. Talked about Community transport.

Football / Gym: — — — Unfortunately PB was not present at the meeting (he'd been called out to a local hotel re a fallen tree (apologies received 12/05) so EG talked about the Gym improvements

Recreational Ground :— —- Unfortunately AG was not present so Q&A session could not take place. However EG talked of residents requests for access to the grounds.

Meeting Ended 19.45. Next meeting will be held in November.