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Draft Minutes of the Policy and Resources committee of Workington Town Council, 5pm Wednesday 13 August 2014 in the Trades Hall, Brow Top, Workington.

C Armstrong (Chair)	Present
M Bainbridge	Present
M Jones	Present
J Osborn	Present
D Rollo	Present
N Schofield	Apologies
J Wright	Present

PR14.30 Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr N Schofield.

PR14.31 Declarations of Interest

There were none.

PR14.32 Exclusion of Press and Public (Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960)

There were no issues.

PR14.33 Minutes of the Last Meeting

The minutes of the meeting on 22 July 2014 were affirmed as a true record.

PR14.34 North Lakes Foodbank

The committee considered the funding proposal received from the North Lakes Foodbank to spend the allocated and agreed grant of £10,000. There was some discussion about the suitability of a number of items, but the committee agreed to the proposal in its entirety.

Resolved: To accept the proposal and release the funding, subject to the usual conditions.

PR14.35 Parks and Play Areas Partnership

The committee consider the establishment of a Workington Parks and Play Areas Partnership with partners including Your Derwent and Solway, Impact, Westfield Housing,

Allerdale Borough Council and others to coordinate the development and maintenance of play areas and parks in the town. It was affirmed that this was a good idea, as long as it did not become too bureaucratic. No new entity would be created by the partnership but it would be a forum for the sharing of resources and ideas. Such a partnership would be similar in style to the Workington Nature Partnership, and would report to the Environment Committee. The clerk and the chairs of Culture and Environment would represent the town council's interests.

Resolved: To commend the creation of such a partnership.

PR14.36 Moorclose Play Areas

The committee considered whether resources could be made available for the development of a Newlands Lane style play area on the former play area site on the green in Moorclose, by Furness Road. It was noted that the Town Council had already allocated £10,000 towards such a project at the committee's meeting in July. This sum was from budgeted development funds, including underspend from 2013. It was now proposed to allocate a further £15,000 from reserves to ensure the creation of a basic facility as soon as possible.

Resolved: To recommend the allocation of £15,000 from reserves.

The meeting closed at 5.35pm