

Draft Minutes August 2015

DUDDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the AGM meeting held on Thursday 27 August 2015 in the Rankin Room Victory Hall, Broughton-in-Furness

Present Cllr G Albion, Cllr J Curwen, Cllr C Edmondson, Cllr V Glessal, Cllr J Johnson, Cllr E Knowles, Cllr I Longworth, Cllr G Pitts.

161/15 Apologies

To receive apologies from Cllr L Burch and Cllr Downe.

162/15 Requests for Dispensations

There were none.

163/15 Declaration of Interests

Cllr Knowles declared an interest in item no: 9 – Parish Lengths man.

164/15 Minutes

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 23 July 2015 be signed by the chair as a true record.

165/15 Public Participation.

- a) Police were in attendance and advised that there had been 12 calls for service including Highway disruption, road related offences and 1 attempted burglary. Operations Car Park will be operating until the end of September. Ulverston Police station will be closing but the community team will still operate from Ulverston. Concern was raised about about the amount of Cycle events in Ulpha and concern was also raised about the amount of motor bikes on the road.
- b) County Cllr David Fletcher was in attendance and advised that funding is no better and that Cumbria County Council have an ongoing big black hole. 55 million needs to be found through efficiencies. There will be another consultation process and recommended that Duddon Parish Council respond to it. Services will be delivered. Digital hubs are being looked at a possible way to help rural areas. County Cllr Fletcher advised that he has tried his best with the grass cutting issue but unfortunately grass cutting is all about classification and schedules and that's just the way it is. He advised the Parish Council to use the lengths man. He also suggested that this be put on the LAPs agenda. County Cllr Fletcher advised that funding is available for various signs. He suggested that speed date tubes be used in Broughton.
- c) Public were in attendance and concern was raised about cars overtaking at Keppleway and concern was also raised about the Fire Engine being blocked in. Mr Wilkinson advised that he was happy for a sign to be put on his property to try and stop this happening again.
There was a request for the Kirby Moor Wind Farm to be put on the agenda for September meeting. The Parish Council agreed to this and the clerk will contact the planning officer.

166/15 Allotment Field

The Clerk advised that the work for the small car parking area had begun. It was agreed to allocate a further £2000 to the allotment field.

167/15 Derelict and Unsightly Buildings

The clerk advised that the authorities have no powers to ensure that when planning permission the work is then completed. Once work has started the permission granted will stay valid. The clerk read out a letter from Ulverston Town Council expressing their concern about derelict sites and intention to mount a campaign challenging the government to correct this. It was agreed to contact John Woodcock MP and Calc to join the campaign.

168/15 Bins and Recycling

Correspondence from SLDC advised that SLDC consider that there are sufficient litter bins at strategic locations throughout SLDC but are encouraging parish councils to advise of any under used bins which could be relocated. The clerk was tasked with asking the relocation of a bin. SLDC also advised that they had looked at the recycling site but did not think there was enough room for a skip for plastic as the surfaces are uneven. The clerk was tasked with asking if one of the cardboard skips could be changed to plastic.

169/15 Parish Lengths Man

Cllr Knowles advised that concern had been raised about one of the concrete posts in the square. As this was potentially dangerous and the Parish Lengths man had been asked to repair to avoid any accidents. No further jobs were allocated to the Parish lengths man at this time.

170/15 Planning Applications

T/2015/0095 – Glebelands, Broughton-in-Furness Cumbria LA20 6HS

Fell 1 variegated holly (T2), 1 Thuja Pilcata (T3) and crown clean 1 Lime (T1) – No objections.

7/2015/5398 – Hobkin Ground, Broughton Mills, LA20 6AU

Installation of a small micro hydro scheme on Appletreeworth beck, comprising of an intake Structure, buried penstock (pipe) and associate turbine house and return flow point downstream – no objections.

7/2015/5426 – Tongue House, Seathwaite, Broughton-in-Furness LA20 6EE

Provision of roundhouse livestock building adjacent to existing farmstead, including bagged bale storage, fencing, hard standings and planting/landscaping – no objections.

T/2015/0112 – 7 Sawrey Court, Broughton-in-Furness LA20 6JQ

Elm Tree – fell, holly tree bough – prune – no objections.

Planning Applications Granted

7/2015/5293 – Troutal, Seathwaite, Broughton-in-Furness.

Variation of condition no 2 on planning application approval ref 7/2015/5448 to allow for a change in materials.

7/2015 – Knott House, Knott Lane, Broughton-in-Furness
Sun lounge extension.

171/15 Charities

a) Garner Grave

The clerk advised that the Vicar would like to step down as trustee and for another Councillor to be nominated to act as trustee.

Cllr G Pitts was nominated as a Trustee.

b) Edward Postlethwaite and Mabel Barker Grave Fund.

Cllr Graham Pitts was nominated as trustee. The clerk had spoken with Mrs Barker who would like to see the charity merged with the Garner Grave fund.

172/15 Progress Reports

- a) **Street Lighting** – The Street light at the corner of Brade Street/Princes Street has now been replaced. Cllr Knowles advised that repairs on the street light on the corner of Market Street had been done.
- b) **Highway Matters** – The clerk had received an e-mail From Cumbria County Council advising that the scheduled cuts had been done in the Parish.
- c) **20mph speed limit** – The 20mph speed limit petition has been handed in to John Woodcock MP as requested in his e-mail to Cllr Knowles.
- d) **Bus Shelters** – The Parish Lengths man had done some repairs to bus shelters but was concerned that the shelter at Foxfield may need more substantial repairs.

173/15 Financial Matters

Resolved that the following Direct Debits, Standing Order and Cheques be paid:-

C Adams	192.00
T Glessal & Son Ltd	2654.08
HMRC	86.80
E-on	65.23
J D Hillier	120.00
Hawthwaite Garden Services	500.00
N Power	77.11
M Kavanagh	50.00
United Utilities	96.28
Sam Eccles	1070.00
Henry Armer	51.22
E Knowles	15.00
Freedom Agrilek	594.00
	<u>£5571.72</u>

Receipts

Allotment Rent	30.00
E-on	1239.19
	<u>£1269.19</u>

174/15 Correspondence

Resolved to note items of correspondence received since the last meeting.

175/15 Cllr Reports

Cllr Albion reported that work had started on the playground. He also advised that he was in the process of getting quotes for the repairs needed to the obelisk.
Cllr Pitts raised concern about the lack of hedge cutting and also raised concern about Highspeed Broadband still not been available. Cllr Pitts advised that Cumbria County Council will be receiving funds from National Grid, he advised that the Community Led Plan needs to be in place to ensure that the Parish Council do not miss out.
Cllr Edmondson would like to see a plastic recycling skip at the Foxfield Road site.
Cllr Glessal raised concern about Highways not removing signs when they have finished working.
Cllr Longworth raised concern about rotten gate that she had reported to highways.

Cllr Knowles reported that Charter Day had gone very well and a thank you note has been received. Raised concern about the grass at Bush Green not been cut on one side. Cllr Knowles advised that G Batton had boxes of old papers and suggested that a couple of Cllrs get together to go through them.

176/15 District Cllr Curwen

Cllr Curwen advised he is getting nearer with the cracks on the Prince of Wales and is waiting for a response from United Utilities. Cllr Curwen has had been in touch with the Environment Agency regarding putting the banking back at Foxfield Station. Cllr Curwen has visited various areas with the flood manager from NFU and it had been a good day. Cllr Curwen raised concern about the state of Kirby Pool and water getting under the highways. The Environment Agency are coming for another visit. Broughton Beck is to be done. The Environment Agency are working with Cumbria County Council to sort out a house at the bottom of Market Street.

177/15 Date of next Meeting

To note that the next council meeting is 22 October 2015.