

Draft Minutes February 2017

DUDDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 23 February 2017 in the Rankin Room Victory Hall, Broughton-in-Furness

Present Cllr G Albion, Cllr J Curwen, Cllr C Edmondson, Cllr E Knowles, Cllr I Longworth and Cllr G Pitts.

There was 1 minutes silence in remembrance of Cllr Lynne Burch.

24/17 Apologies

Resolved to accept apologies from Cllr V Glessal, Cllr A Downe and Cllr J Johnson

25/17 Requests for Dispensations

There were no requests for dispensations.

26/17 Declaration of Interests

There were none.

27/17 To consider if there are any items on the agenda from which the press and public should be excluded.

Resolved that no items are to be discussed in private.

28/17 Minutes

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 26 January 2017 be signed by the chair as a true record.

29/17 Public Participation.

- a) Police were not in attendance but had sent a report in to the clerk reporting that there had been attempted theft and then the theft of a car wing mirror (same car). The owner provided a suspect and possible location of the part and enquiries are ongoing.
- b) Cllr David Fletcher was not in attendance but had contacted the clerk advising that County Council budget is going up by 3.9% - 1.9% that they are allowed to increase by and 2% for adult care. He has sorted two cattle grids in the Duddon Valley and will help to resolve further concerns regarding the cattle grids. County Cllr Fletcher will follow up with Victoria Upton (Highways) following her recent visit to Broughton. County Cllr Fletcher was very sorry to hear about Cllr Burch and passes on his condolences to everyone.
- c) Public – Annette Carmichael was in attendance advised that she a Broughton Community Plan Review had been sent to the clerk. Requested that a letter be sent to Post Office Ltd regarding the proposal to put Ulverston Post Office into another business. Ulverston have collected over 5000 signatures on a petition and Annette has collected 73 signatures. Broughton Post Office is also under review. J Woodcock MP is involved with this. Annette advised that some of the highway lines in Broughton have been repainted.

30//17 Progress Reports

a) Community Led Plan

The clerk will forward on the review which Annette has sent.

b) Victory Hall

Cllr Knowles advised that the main door on the Victory Hall need to be replaced. Quotations will be sought and the door will be put on the next agenda. There will still be a keypad lock and the doorway will still be user friendly for wheelchairs.

c) Street Lighting

The light on peel house needs attention as it is intermittently going off. The light on Kepplwray Hill had blown down and been taken away. The clerk will get quotes for it to be replaced.

d) Public Toilets

The clerk advised that it may not possible to revamp the ladies, gents and disabled in the same year and has requested the quotes to revamp the toilets to be broken down into 3 quotations. Quotes are been sought for the honesty boxes and the toilets will be on the next agenda.

31/17 Wilson Park

Adjourned until the next meeting when the quotes for a new roundabout should have been obtained.

32/17 Cattle Grids

Resolved that Cllr Longworth will send details of her concerns regarding the cattle grids to forward on to County Councillor Fletcher.

33/17 Planning Applications

There were no planning applications for consideration. The Appeal Decision regarding planning application number 7/2016/5200 (Bryan Redhead & Co Ltd) was noted.

34/17 Financial Matters

Resolved that the following Direct Debits, Standing Orders be paid:

E-on	65.54
HMRC	51.80
C Adams	225.00
Healthmatic	385.99
NPower	88.53
United Utilities	<u>51.89</u>
	<u>£868.75</u>

Receipts(Wayleave)	9.78
E-on	<u>310.36</u>
	<u>£320.14</u>

35/17 Bank Mandate

- a) **Resolved** to add Cllr I Longworth and Cllr G Pitts on the Bank Mandate
b) **Resolved** that the council will leave arrangements as they are and not have online banking.

36/ 17 Correspondence

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

37/17 Cllr Reports

Cllr Longworth raised concern about trees at the bottom of the valley needing cutting back. Also raised concern about damage to Duddon Bridge. Asked if anything was happening with Seathwaite Bridge.

Cllr Albion raised concern about litter on the roadside.

Cllr Pitts raised concern about a company called Fisher German going on to peoples land without permission and upsetting land owners.

Requested that the next stage of the National Grid be on the next agenda.

At present Ofgem are running a consultation on how the project can be run and the PCCG think parishes should do their own response in addition to the response from the PCCG. As the Parish Council have already agreed at a previous meeting that Cllr Pitts can action any requirements needing to be actioned from the PCCG before the next parish council meeting it was agreed that Cllr Pitts can do the response.

Cllr Edmondson raised concern about flooding on Foxfield Road and the road not been swept properly. Raised concern about the field on Foxfield Road which has recently been sold becoming a car park. Also wondered why there are blue barriers at the recycling area.

38/17 District Cllr Curwen

Cllr Curwen advised that there is a litter pick taking place from Merebeck to Duddon Bridge. Raised concern about traffic going over the mosses and leaving gates open allowing sheep to get out. Cllr Curwen is also concerned about deer hunting. Cllr Curwen requested that a letter be sent to local government and the leader of the commons about the lack of funding for the Environment Agency to clean rivers and becks out in our parish. Cllr Curwen raised concern about trees and shrubs been planted on Occupation Lane and was also concerned that the field behind the Victory Hall had been locked.

39/17 Date of next Meeting

To note that the next ordinary meeting is 23 March 2017.

