

DUDDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the AGM meeting held on Thursday 25 June 2015 in the Rankin Room Victory Hall, Broughton-in-Furness

Present Cllr G Albion, Cllr L Burch, Cllr J Curwen, Cllr A Downe, Cllr C Edmondson, Cllr V Glessal, Cllr E Knowles, Cllr I Longworth, Cllr G Pitts.

121/15 Apologies

To receive apologies from Cllr J Johnson.

122/15 Requests for Dispensations

There were none.

123/15 Declaration of Interests

There were none.

124/15 Minutes

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 28 May 2015 be signed by the chair as a true record with the following amendments:

- a) Page numbers should be 293,294,295 and 296
- b) Minute numbers should be 103 to 120
- c) Date should be Thursday 28 May 2015

125/15 Public Participation.

- a) Police were not in attendance but had sent an e-mail to the clerk advising that a shed at High Keppleway had been broken into and a chainsaw was stolen, another report of a break in on Keppleway where a hedge cutter and a couple of chainsaws had been stolen. There has been a head on RTC on Duddon Bridge and some one had been arrested for drunk driving.
- b) County Cllr David Fletcher was in attendance and reported that he had received an e-mail from the clerk raising concern that he had to submit priorities for the 2016/17 to County Highways prior to the next Parish Council meeting and there was no time for a discussion at the Parish Council meeting, however County Cllr Fletcher did phone the clerk to ask the Parish Council views. The priorities are Station Road, Broughton to Coniston road, street lighting, drains issues. County Cllr Fletcher advised that the traffic lights at Duddon Bridge had been moved for Health and Safety reasons when the lights require maintenance. Concern was raised about the sequence of the lights as sometimes they are on green at both sides. The Highways steward is willing to come out and visit the area, but is only willing to discuss maintenance issues and not traffic calming issues, some smaller jobs may get done. Grass cutting has been chased up, it's been contracted out and may get done soon. Some of it is the land owner's responsibility. Concern was raised that there are no catches on the gates at the cattle grids above the Newfield Arms. Cllr Fletcher advised that the route for the pylons has been announced but there will be further consultation. Concern was raised that Winderemere and Kendal get lots of money for footpaths, why can we not have one at Foxfield Road, County Cllr Fletcher did advise that there is money available for cycle ways.
- c) Public – No public were in attendance.

126/15 Wilson Park

Consideration was given to the playground inspection and the quotes for the repairs required. **Resolved** to ask Wicksteed to do the work as their work has a 5 year guarantee. It was also **Resolved** to apply to CGP for funding to carry out the repairs.

127/15 Bus Service

A reply from Stage coach was has been receives following the Parish Council's letter of concern to them regarding the busses coming through Church Street and Griffin Street. **Resolved** to ask for a site meeting with Stage Coach to discuss the issues further.

128/15 Street Light

There was a discussion regarding the Street Light on the corner of Brade Street/Princes Street which needs replacing. Cllr Knowles had a meeting with a representative from Marwood Electricals and correspondence from them was discussed. **Resolved** to get further quotes before making a decision.

129/15 Public Toilets

Consideration was given applying to CGP for a grant to fund the painting of the Public Toilets. **Resolved** to apply to the CGP for funding.

130/15 Highway Matters

- a) Reporting of Highway matters – The clerk advised that whilst Cllr Albion submits a list of Highway matters to Highways. These issues should still be reported to better Highways in order that we get a reference number.
- b) Work for Parish Lengthsman – Resolved to ask the Parish Lengths man to cut the grass on Foxfield Road from Birketts to Bush Green (if he is unable to do it then D Cooper is to be asked to do it), to carry out repairs to the Bus stop at Broughton Mills amd also the bus stop at Foxfield.

131/15 Consultations

- a) Moorside Project Consultation – Whilst there is full support for power, the pylons should be located elsewhere and money should be injected into our community.
- b) SLDC Housing Strategy- Adjourned until next month.
- c) Grizedale Rally Route – The Parish Council have no objections to the proposed new route but is does need to be advertised, perhaps in the Parish Pump, local paper etc.

132/15 Charities

- a) The Brown Cow (Proceeds) – The clerk advised that there is £1300 in the bank account and that a new mandate needs to be completed. It was agreed that the trustees will have a meeting prior to the next Parish Council meeting.
- b) The Garner Garve Charity- A new mandate needs to be completed. Cllr Downe Presented a map showing where the Grave is and advised it is not in need of attention other than a bit of weed killing.
- c) Edward Postlethwaite and Mabel Barker – This charity is not registered with the Charity Commision and the trustees are Cllr Burch and Cllr Barker (deceased). Cllr Burch will go into the bank to find out how to change the signatures required.

133/15 Parish Council's Computer and Printer

Resolved to have the computer upgraded to Windows 7 from Vista and to purchase a printer that is compatible.

134/15 Planning Applications

A letter was read out from LDNPA re. planning application 7/2015/5280.

135/15 Financial Matters

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

HMRC	43.40
C Adams	192.00
C Adams	265.93
G Albion	20.00
Howard Procter	230.40
E-on	65.23
Fat Media	150.00
Hawthwaite Garden Services	440.00
	<u>£1406.96</u>

Receipts

Rent	<u>£30.00</u>
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136/15 Correspondence

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

137/15 Cllr Reports

Cllr Albion advised that the allotment field has been rotavated. Cllr Albion advised that he would be going to tidy up Donkey Rocks area and will need reimbursing with costs of the fuel for the strimmer.

Cllr Longworth raised concern about the advertising trailer being at Wreaks End again.

Cllr Longworth raised concern that a building maybe breaching the planning permission granted. Cllr Longworth also advised that she had attended the recent LAP meeting and that they are looking for a new chairman from Kirkby, Duddon or Coniston.

Cllr Edmondson raised concern about trees on Foxfield Road as the busses are catching them. Cllr Edmondson asked if there is any possibility of having a plastic recycling bin at Foxfield Road. Cllr Edmondson also warned that there is a black van driving very slowly round Broughton early hours in the morning appearing to have a good look round.

Cllr Pitts apologized to the Council following an article in the North West Evening Mail which referred to him as a Parish Councillor. On this occasion he was not speaking as a Parish Councillor but in his role with the Power without Pylons group. Cllr Pitts suggested that we should take a look at the Localism Act ahead of setting the precept for the next financial year. He also advised that there is to be an event on the 31 July 2015 regarding National Grid. Cllr Pitts referred to the team working on the verges at Kirkby and asked if we can have such a team at Broughton.

138/15 District Cllr Curwen

Cllr Curwen raised concern about vibration from vehicles on the Prince of Wales corner as it is causing damage to property. Cllr Curwen raised concern about drugs being in the area again. Raised concern about burglaries in the area and advised that should anyone wish to contact him with information it will be treated in the strictest confidence. Cllr Curwen raised concern about the notes from the recent Duddon area meeting. Cllr Curwen also raised concern about the lack of funding to clean out becks etc.

139/15 Date of next Meeting

To note that the next council meeting is 23 July 2015.