

Draft Minutes March 2017

DUDDON PARISH COUNCIL

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

- Present** Cllr G Albion, Cllr J Curwen, Cllr C Edmondson, Cllr Glessal, Cllr Johnson, Cllr E Knowles and Cllr G Pitts.
- 40/17 Apologies**
Resolved to accept apologies from Cllr A Downe and Cllr I Longworth
- 41/17 Requests for Dispensations**
There were no requests for dispensations.
- 42/17 Declaration of Interests**
Cllr Knowles declared an interest in item 7d - Obelisk.
Cllr Curwen declared an interest in item 17 planning application 7/20170162.
- 43/17 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.
- 44/17 Minutes**
Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 23 February 2017 be signed by the chair as a true record.
- 45/17 Public Participation.**
- a) Police were not in attendance but had sent an e-mail to the clerk with the following information:-
On 22 Feb a security guard at Foxfield saw 3 men with torches and due to the information he had received from a local farmer arrived at the conclusion that it was gypsies looking to steal a horse.
On 19 March a male was reported as seen walking towards a Defender on the A595 AT Duddon Bridge with a rifle over his shoulder at around 8.00pm. No one seen by the patrol that attended.
Slightly off area a number of tyres have been fly-tipped on Subberthwaite Common, looked to have been tossed by a moving vehicle with a similar MO on Birkrigg. There is a suspect but proving things is another matter.
SID will be redeployed on Church Street.
 - b) Cllr David Fletcher was in attendance and reported that Council tax bills had gone up. Business can appeal against business rates if they think they are too high. Apologized for the Parish Council not been contacted regarding the Community Grant funding. County Cllr Fletcher advised that following the walk around in Broughton with Highways, some of the suggestions (mainly Foxfield) will have to wait until funding is available. He suggested that the Community Led Plan Steering Group should look at becoming a constituted group and become a sub group of the Parish Council. They will be in a position to apply for funding which may not be available to the Parish Council.
 - c) Public – No members of the public were in attendance.

- 46/17 Progress Reports**
- a) Community Led Plan – The Community Led Plan Steering Group have applied to the Community Grants Application Aid for the new main door on the Victory Hall. If the application is successful the funds will be donated to the Parish Council as the Victory Hall building is the responsibility of the Parish Council.
 - b) Sale of land at Foxfield – The registration documents still have not been received.
 - c) Street Lighting – There are two quotes for replacing the street light on Keppleway Hill but funding needs to be sought. County Cllr D Fletcher suggested applying to the Community Grants Application Aid for some of the funding and will e-mail the clerk with contact details. The
 - d) Obelisk – The work on the Obelisk is now complete.
- 47/17 Wilson Park**
 Consideration was given to quotes to put a new roundabout in the children’s playground. **Resolved** to have Wicksteed put in the new roundabout and to apply to CGP for the funding which is £4005. Cllr D Fletcher suggested contacting SLDC to apply for some of the funding and will e-mail the clerk with contact details.
- 48/17 Victory Hall**
 Consideration was given to 3 quotes to replace the main door on the Victory Hall. **Resolved** to have the Elegant Products Ltd plastic door with electric keypad.
- 49/17 Ulverston Post**
 The Parish Council had been asked to write a letter to the Post Office Ltd regarding the changes to the Ulverston Post Office. **Resolved** that the Parish Council will not write such a letter as it has nothing to do with our Parish.
- 50/17 Public Toilets**
- a) There is one quote for the honesty boxes of £200 per box. The second quote has still not been submitted to the Parish Council.
 - b) There was further discussion about the revamping of the toilets. The quote of £7618.25 is a 50/50 split between the ladies and the Gents. £600 can be deducted as no baby units are required. The disabled toilet will cost a further £1250.
- 51/17 Newsletter**
Resolved that the Parish Council will produce their open newsletter which will be available from the Information Centre and the Parish Council Website. In addition to this there will be a mailing list for those interested who do not have a computer. The newsletter will be published quarterly.
- 52/17 District Cllr Locality Budget**
 Cllr Curwen 2016/17 locality budget was to be used towards footpath improvements at Donkey Rocks. The cost of this is approximately £115. Cllr Curwen requested that the remainder of the District Cllrs 2016/17 locality budget will also be put towards the street light replacement at Keppleway (£385).
- 53/17 To nominate Trustees and Signatories on the Bank Mandate for the following Charities:-**
- a) Brown Cow institute (Proceeds) **Resolved** that Cllr J Johnson will be a signatory and Cllr C Edmondson will be a trustee.
 - b) The Garner Grave Fund – **Resolved** that both Cllr Albion and Cllr Glessal will become trustees and signatories.

- c) Edward Postlethwaite and Mabel Barker – Cllr Knowles advised that the current trustees need to be removed and two new trustees added. **Resolved** that Cllr Curwen and Cllr Knowles will be trustees and signatories.

53/17 Cllr Vacancy

Resolved to note the letter from SLDC advising that no requests have been received within the statutory 14 day period for the vacancy to be filled by an election and that the Parish Council should fill the vacancy by co-option.

54/17 Next Stage of NG Consultation

- a) Cllr Pitts proposes that the Parish Council give consideration to continue being an interested party in the next stage of the consultation and it was **Resolved** that Cllr Pitts will register Duddon Parish Council in order that they can make further submissions.
- b) Cllr Pitts also proposed that the Parish Council club together with other parishes under the PCCG umbrella for submissions and appearances at examination events. **Resolved** that the Parish Council will be included under the PCCG umbrella and that Cllr Pitts will continue to attend any meetings on behalf of the Parish Council.

55/17 Bespoke Training

Resolved to include the roles of the Chair, the Clerk and Parish Cllrs, budgeting, agendas, minutes, running meetings, code of conduct, general power of competence, risk assessment, declaration of interest and assets..

56/17 Planning Applications

7/2017/5109 – Syke End, Church Street, Broughton-in-Furness LA20 6ER
Conversion Of redundant cottage into ancillary accommodation for Syke End – no objections.

7/2017/5056 – The Griffin, Griffin Street, Broughton-in-Furness LA20 6HH
Amend Condition no 2 on approval ref. 7/2015/5762 – omit proposed bedroom to reduce the size of the extension above the roofline – no objections.

7/2017/5090 – The Barn, Brade Street, Broughton-in-Furness LA20 6HG
Use of dwelling as a local needs dwelling- cannot comment as unsure what the difference is between local occupancy and local needs, need clarification

7/2017/0162 – Strawberry Bank, Eccle Riggs Lane, Broughton in Furness.
Installation of new window and French door with roof peaks along with decking to the north Elevation and 3 new roof lights to the south elevation – no objections.

57/17 Financial Matters

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

E-on	59.20
HMRC	51.60
C Adams	225.00
C Adams	283.18 (expenses full year)
Healthmatic	385.99
Victory Hall	94.90
Optech Fibres	204.90
J Burch Ltd	1900.00
G Albion	11.00
Travis Perkins	115.20
	<u>£3330.97</u>

Receipts	
Allotment Rent	90.00
Wilson Park Donation	<u>50.00</u>
	<u>£140.00</u>

58/17 Correspondence

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

59/17 Cllr Reports

Cllr Pitts reported that the better Highways page on Cumbria County Council's website has been revamped.

Cllr Albion raised concern about the state of the pavements on Princes Street.

Cllr Johnson raised concern about tyres being fly tipped.

Cllr Glessal raised concern about the state of the road at Broomhill Corner and also raised concern that Highway stewards are not noting any issues in our area.

Cllr Edmondson raised concern about flooding on Foxfield Road.

Cllr Knowles reported that there will be further filming of the A word on 31 March 2017.

60/17 District Cllr Curwen

Cllr Curwen advised that P Hosking has been for a visit around the area and looked at various issues including the footpath at Bush Green, flooding, signage at the top of Griffin Street . The Environment officer had been and has a look at the beck at the back of Nigel Birketts. Cllr Curwen raised concern that he could not get in the field behind the Victory Hall because it is locked.

Raised concern about traffic crossing the mosses and causing damage to the roads.

Raised concern that Duddon Bridge has not yet been repaired.

61/17 Date of next Meeting

To note that the next ordinary meeting is 23 April 2017 at 7.00pm