

DUDDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 27 May 2010 in the Rankin Room, Victory Hall, Broughton-in-Furness

Present Cllr Albion, Cllr Barker, Cllr Burch, (chair) Cllr Curwen, Cllr Johnson, Cllr Longworth, Cllr Glessal.

77/10 Election of Chairman

Resolved that Cllr L Burch be elected chair for council for the year 2010/11.

78/10 Declaration of Acceptance

Cllr L Burch signed a declaration of acceptance of the office of chair of the council year 2010/11.

79/10 Appointment of Vice Chair

Cllr E Knowles was nominated and seconded.
There were no other nominations.

080/10 Apologies

Cllr E Knowles

081/10 Minutes

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 22th April 2010 be signed by the chairman as a true record.

082/10 Appointment of sub committees

Resolved that the following Councillors be appointed to serve on the following committees during the year 2010/11:

Financial Committee: Cllr Glessal;
Cllr Knowles;
Cllr Longworth.

Parish Plan: Cllr Burch
Cllr Knowles
Cllr Glessal
Cllr Longworth.

083/10 Declaration of Interests

Cllr Glessal declared an interest in item 18 Victory Hall.

084/10 Local Police Report

The police were not in attendance. However an update can be found on their website.
www.cumbria.police.uk

085/10 County Cllr Salisbury

County Cllr Salisbury was not in attendance, an e-mail had been sent to the clerk advising that she is aware of the concerns regarding the new speedbumps and that the bumps are due to be inspected this week and will be in contact as soon as she receives the report.

Cllr Albion and Cllr Burch gave a brief update on the traffic calming meetings on County Cllr Salisbury’s behalf.

086/10 Public Participation

Electors present were given an opportunity to make comments and the following concerns were raised:-

The Newly elected MP John Woodcock was presented and introduced himself. He advised that his first public surgery was to be in Broughton on 29 May 2010..

Concern was raised about the sign at the top of Griffin Street which is in the middle of the pavement and wheelchairs and pushchairs cannot get past.

Concern was raised regarding the new speedbumps.

There was a request from Broughton in Bloom to hang to hanging baskets on the bus stop. The council had no objections to this.

Concern was raised regarding the LDNPA allocations of land – issues and options document which a member of the public had a copy. The clerk had not received a copy and will conact LDNPA regarding this matter

087/10 The Tower

There has been a request for some work to be done at the top of Wilson Park. This will be to level the ground and put some grey gravel mix down which will green up very quickly. The council had no objections to the work been done.

088/10 Panel for Co-option of new Councillors

Resolved that Cllr Curwen, Cllr Burch, Cllr Knowles and Cllr Barker would do the interviews for the new Councilillors, date to be confirmed.

089/10 Clerk and Correspondence

To note items of correspondence received since the last meeting.

090/10 Planning Applications

LDNPA - 7/2010/5216 – The Broughton Craft Shop, Griffin Street – change of use from Craft Shop to Residential. – No objections but disappointed to be losing a business from the village.

LDNPA - 7/2010/5243 - High Kiln Bank, Broughton – Telecommunications- VSAT dish.

Notice of Grant of planning permission

7/2010/5110 4 Broom Close

091/10 Financial Matters

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

E-on	54.18
Clerks wages	233.64
Clerks Expenses	90.23

HMRC	58.40
Sundog	6002.59
Street Light Maintenance	570.16
Playground Ins	105.75
Playground Ins (credit)	-272.60
Room Hire	61.50
Internal Audit	205.62
Website Hosting	10.58
W L Jones	11.75
	<u>£7131.80</u>

092/10 Brown Cow Charity

There was a discussion regarding the charities funds going into the Wilson Park account. The Council agreed that the Wilson Park accounts only holds charity funds and that this account should not be included in our Annual Return.

Resolved that the monies in Wilson Park account would not be included in the annual return and the clerk will write a letter of explanation as to explain the difference in the figures between the 2009 annual return and the 2010 return

093/10 Annual Return

Section 2 of the annual return was completed and signed by Cllr Burch (Chair).

094/10 Victory Hall

The council have not nominated one councillor to attend the Victory Hall Committee Meetings.

The council were advised that were had begun on the solar panels.

095/10 Children's Playground

Cllr Albion gave an update on the recent playground inspection.

Cllr Albion and the Clerk were tasked with getting quotes for the necessary work which needs to be done.

Cllr Albion advised that it would cost about £40.50 to have a sign made and the council agreed for the sign to be made.

Resolved that a new bin be fitted in the playground area.

096/10 Brackenfield, Foxfield

There was discussion regarding a letter the clerk had received regarding the land rented out at Brackenfield.

Resolved that the agreement continue in the short term but the council will be reviewing land they own in the near future and will consider reviewing the situation.

097/10 Benches

The clerk advised that SLDC had given quotes for the repair of the benches but she had also been advised that the rivots were rotten and there was no guarantee the benches would last even after repair work.

The council were in agreement that a second opinion should be sought.

098/10 Councillors Reports

Cllr Longworth advised that she would be attending a meeting with the police and the LDNPA Warden on Anti Social behavior and parking and asked if there were any issues the council would like brought up.

There were a number of suggestions including, rubbish, Poaching and diesel theft.

Cllr Longworth also raised concern about the parish councils posters being set on fire. Cllr Barker requested that Allotment rent on the income and expenditure statement be changed to Land rent.

Cllr Barker also requested that street lights be put on the next agenda and that the clerk write to United Utilities to find out where the electric supply is.

Cllr Curwen advised that the trees at Orchard Head need to be cut back. He also advised that he would be attending a meeting regarding the Duddon Estuary.

Cllr Curwen he had attended a Community Liaison meeting where problems in rural areas will be highlighted.

Cllr Curwen also advised that some drains in the area had been flushed out.

099/10 Date of next Meeting

The next meeting of the council will be held on 24 June 2010 19.30 pm