

Draft Minutes October 2015

DUDDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the AGM meeting held on Thursday 22 October 2015 in the Rankin Room Victory Hall, Broughton-in-Furness

Present Cllr G Albion, Cllr Burch (A little late as she had been to work), Cllr J Curwen, Cllr V Glessal, Cllr J Johnson, Cllr E Knowles, Cllr I Longworth and Cllr G Pitts.

196/15 Apologies

To receive apologies from Cllr A Downe and Cllr Edmondson.

197/15 Requests for Dispensations

There were none.

198/15 Declaration of Interests

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

199/15 Minutes

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 27 August 2015 be signed by the chair.

200/15 Public Participation.

a) Police were not in attendance but had sent an e-mail to the clerk with the following update:-

There had been a 2 vehicle head on crash at Duddon Bridge. There had also been an abandoned vehicle at Wreaks level, passed to SLDC for 7 day order. A 4x4 had been reported in the area late at night and thought to be suspicious. CID have arrested the suspects involved in the Black Cock burglary.

b) County Cllr David Fletcher was not in attendance and had not sent in a report.

c) Public- Concern was raised about safety at a Bridge, the Parish Council were asked if there was a possibility of asking for do not follow sat nav signs in order that lorries will avoid travelling on the road where the bridge is. The Parish Council have requested these before but will look into the matter again.

201/15 Community Led Plan

Consideration was given to the draft Community Led Plan. Resolved to ask that wording can be changed from "Re-instate the request for speed bumps" to continue the request for the speed table. The reason being that the Parish Council have never stopped requesting the speed table to be put in place.

202/15 Christmas tree

Consideration was given to the arrangements regarding the tree for the Square. The clerk was tasked with making some telephone calls regarding the tree.

203/15 Allotment Field

Consideration was given to signage for the allotment field as per the planning permission granted. The clerk was tasked with writing to LDNPA to advise that the Parish Council propose 1 sign with an arrow and the wording "All Alloment traffic" pointing in a southerly direction away from Broughton Park.

204/15 Parish Lengths Man

No further jobs for the Parish Lengths man were discussed this time.

205/15 Street lighting

Cllr Curwen advised that he had been talking to K Bullock regarding the street lights in the parish which are on wooden poles. Cllr Curwen advised that the lights would not need to be removed due to their voltage.

206/15 Planning Applications

7/2015/5459 – Broughton Tower, Broughton-in-Furness LA20 6AA

Rebuild a stone wall within the curtilage of Broughton Tower. To dismantle and rebuild the walls along Rookery Lane. – no objections.

7/2015/5589 – High Cross Inn, Broughton-in-Furness, Cumbria LA20 6ES

Conversion Of part of High Cross to form 2 local occupancy dwellings – The Parish Council object to this application as it could pave the way to the closure of the pub and further development and a small community with no footpath into Broughton.

207/15 Financial Matters

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

C Adams	225.00
HMRC	51.80
E-on	65.23
J D Hillier	106.00
Hawthwaite Garden Services	<u>420.00</u>
	<u>£868.03</u>

Receipts

Allotment Rent	<u>£30.00</u>
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208/15 Correspondence

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

Cumbria County Council had sent an e-mail to the Clerk asking for the Parish Council's views on Seathwaite Bridge. The Parish Council take the view that the wall should be built further out as this might perhaps save the bridge from being damaged so often and need repairing less often.

209/15 Cllr Reports

Cllr Pitts advised he had replied to the Duddon Estuary Consultation.

Cllr Longworth raised concern about the lines at Duddon Bridge not being in the right place and traffic coming in and out of the valley do not have enough room to maneuver in and out of the junction leading up to Ulpha.

Cllr Glessal raised concern about parking in Broughton becoming increasing difficult.

Cllr Albion advised that the steps at Wilson Park have now been removed and the area is a lot safer but a little more stone is required.

Cllr Johnson raised concern about signs are still there which should have been removed.

Cllr Knowles raised concern about overhanging vegetation and who is responsible for it.

210/15 District Cllr Curwen

Cllr Curwen raised concern about the state of a road, particularly, when traffic is diverted this way due to accidents etc. Cllr Curwen raised concern about the level crossing gates being left open and has requested an inspector come out. Cllr Curwen is concerned about sheep getting onto the railway line. Cllr Curwen is concerned about the speed of traffic from Broughton to Torver.

211/15 Date of next Meeting

To note that the next council meeting is 26 November 2015.

212/15 Exclusion of Press and Public

Resolved – that the press and public be excluded from the meeting under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be discussed.