

Draft Minutes of 26 September 2013

DUDDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 26 September 2013 in the Rankin Room Victory Hall, Broughton-in-Furness

Present Cllr Albion, Cllr Burch, Cllr Curwen, Cllr Glessal, Cllr Hannah, Cllr Knowles, Cllr Longworth Cllr Procter.

147/13 Apologies

Resolved to accept apologies from Cllr Cooper and Cllr Johnson

148/13 Requests for Dispensations

There were none.

149/13 Declaration of Interests

Cllr Knowles and Cllr Burch declared an interest in item 9. The Parish Lengthsman scheme.

150/13 Minutes

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 22 August 2013 be signed by the chair as a true record.

151/13 Public Participation.

- a) Police – The police were in attendance and advised that 13 incidents had been reported a few road traffic accidents, urinating in the Square and criminal damage to a windscreen.
- b) County Cllr David Fletcher was not in attendance.
- c) Public – There were no public in attendance.

152/13 Wilson Park

Concern was raised amount of dog poop not only in Wilson Park but all over Broughton. The PSCO in attendance advised that she would be happy to issue fines to help resolve this matter. She will put a notice in the Parish Pump. If we can advise her of times and where abouts this is happening it would be helpful.

153/13 Donkey Rocks

Cllr Knowles raised concern about overgrown vegetation at Donkey Rocks and proposed to get a working group together to tidy it up. **Resolved** that Cllr Albion will take a look and see if he can tidy it up. If not, the clerk will advertise to get a working group together.

154/13 Footpath at Foxfield

Cllr Albion raised concern about the footpath at Foxfield becoming very narrow due to overgrown vegetation making it difficult for pedestrians and cyclists particularly when crossing the road. Cllr Albion also raised concern about the footpath cracking. Cllr Albion proposed that the 30ph speed limit be extended to the entrance of Broughton Supply to make it safer. **Resolved** that the clerk write a letter to Highways regarding this matter.

155/13 Parish Lengthsman

The clerk advised the Parish Lengthsman has completed his training but to date no quotations for jobs have been submitted.

156/13 Flooding

Cllr Curwen proposed that flooding issue in Broughton should be taken up with John Woodcock MP. **Resolved** that the clerk write a letter to the MP with guide notes from Cllr Knowles.

157/13 Planning Applications

7/2013/5463 – Barclays Bank, Griffin Street, Broughton-in-Furness LA20 6HH- Existing floor stone threshold at entrance level to be chamfered and half angled to suit slope of Pavement for safer access – No objections.

7/2013/5462 – Barclays Bank, Griffin Street, Broughton-in-Furness LA20 6HH - Removal of existing fascia signage and projecting sign and replace with new projecting signs externally illuminated – No objections.

7/2013/5541 Low Moss House, Seathwaite - Replace roof with new shape plus minor alteration to dwelling – No Objections.

7/2013/5489 The Old Smithy, Occupation Lane - First floor extension, ground floor single storey extension and alterations of existing dwelling- No objections.

T /2013/0120 Crown and reduce a tree by up to 20% - No Objections.

Notice of Grant of Planning Permission

7/2013/5369 – 1-12 Broughton Tower, Broughton in Furness, LA20 6AA. - Internal Alterations.

7/2012/5448 - Troutal, Seathwaite, Broughton in Furness, LA20 6EF – Construction of new covered midden.

7/2013/5368 – Walk Mill House, Broughton Mills LA20 6AX – Rebuild existing conservatory and enlarge.

158/13 National Salary Awards

There was a discussion regarding the salary increase for clerks recommended by Nalc. **Resolved** to increase the clerks hourly rate in accordance with the recommendations.

159/13 Financial Matters

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

E-on (street lighting)	41.48
Clerks wages	202.58
Clerks expenses	17.87
HMRC	46.00
Gary Albion	21.99
Pitcaine	558.00
PHS	83.94
T Glessal & Son	360.00
Thomas Butler & Son	<u>252.00</u>
	<u>£1583.86</u>

Receipts

Rent	<u>£97.50</u>
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160/13 Shop Frontage Scheme

There is one further application for consideration and it was also noted that an application from earlier in the year had been completed.

Resolved that the clerk can release cheques to these applicants on receipt of the final invoice.

161/13 Public Toilets

An advertisement had been placed in the Parish Pump and on the Council's website and notice board. Resolved to ask James Hillier if he will take on the cleaning of the toilets. Cllr Knowles will talk to the present cleaner.

162/13 Correspondence

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

163/13 Clerk and Chairs report and progress report since last meeting.

- a) Allotments – The clerk advised that all the allotment plots had now been taken.
- b) Obelisk and Fish Slabs – The clerk reported that Cllr Cooper is awaiting specifications on materials that will be used to repoint the obelisk, the clerk will then write a letter to LDNPA.

Cllr Curwen entered.

- c) Disabled picnic table – Biggreenspace have stopped furniture production and will be recommencing in March.
- d) Traffic Calming- The traffic calming meeting had been cancelled so there was no update.

164/13 Cllr Reports

Cllr Albion reported that some one had very kindly donated a petrol lawn mower for use in Wildon Park. Cllr Albion raised concern about the gutters from the ponds on the old railway track were blocked. Cllr Albion also raised concern about the state of the Coniston road not being safe for a school bus. The clerk was tasked with writing a thank you letter for the Lawn Mower, contacting LDNPA about the old railway line and contacting J Woodcock MP regarding the Coniston Road. Cllr Burch raised concern about the light opposite the Post Office being out. Cllr Knowles advised that the light was under the snooker table next to the information centre awaiting repair. The clerk was tasked with contacting M Knowles to see if he can put new hinges on.

Cllr Glessal raised concern about overgrown vegetation near some railings.

Cllr Curwen will sort this out.

Cllr Longworth raised concern about overhanging vegetation and also about a low branch hanging at Foxfield. Cllr Curwen will sort this out.

Cllr Procter raised concern about the amount of blackboards on the pavement in Princes Street outside the Black Cock Inn.

Cllr Curwen advised that SLDC will be doing inspections on street furniture.

165/13 District Cllr Curwen

Cllr Curwen requested that a letter be sent to CEO of SLDC expressing disappointment that SLDC were not represented on Charter day. It was also noted that the County Cllr was not at Charter day.

Cllr Curwen raised concern regarding SLDC having meetings on the third and fourth Thursday in the month which clashes with Parish meetings.

Cllr Curwen raised concern about wagons on the mosses.

166/13 Date of next Meeting

The next meeting of the council will be held on 24 October 2013.