

## Draft Minutes September 2015

### DUDDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the AGM meeting held on Thursday 24 September 2015 in the Rankin Room Victory Hall, Broughton-in-Furness

**Present** Cllr G Albion, Cllr Burch, Cllr J Curwen (late as he had been to an SLDC meeting), Cllr C Downe, Cllr V Glessal, Cllr E Knowles and Cllr G Pitts.

**178/15 Apologies**

To receive apologies from Cllr J Johnson, Cllr I Longworth and Cllr Edmondson.

**179/15 Requests for Dispensations**

There were none.

**180/15 Declaration of Interests**

Cllr Knowles and Cllr Burch declared an interest in item no: 10– Parish Lengths man.

**181/15 Minutes**

**Resolved** that the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 27 August 2015 be signed by the chair as a true record with the following amendments:-

170/15 Planning applications T/2015/0095, 7/2015/5426 and 7/2015/5398 should not read no objections but should read are past the date for commenting.

177/15 should read date of next meeting to be 24 September 2015.

**182/15 Public Participation.**

- a) Police were in attendance and gave an update which included theft from a caravan, a break inn at the Black Cock Inn, poaching and an alarm going off which was a false alarm.
- b) County Cllr David Fletcher was not in attendance and had not sent in a report.
- c) Several members of the public were in attendance and Mr Hudson read out a statement on behalf of the public. The public were asking the Parish Council to reconsider the Kirkby Moor Wind Farm planning application. The public had many concerns including the lack of benefits to this community, no lasting jobs. The larger turbines will put tourists off coming to this area. The turbines will degrade the landscape. RWE consider that Barrow and Kendal are the local community not Duddon. Concern was raised that the real local views are not being listened to. The turbines will be noisy and intrusive and will affect people's health and quality of life. Whilst green power is wanted, it should not be at the expense of quality of life. Mr Benson added to the concerns that there will be an effect on the local businesses. Mrs Carmichael added that in the recent survey for the Community Led Plan one of the questions was how important is the local landscape and 95% felt it is very/fairly important. Other concerns from the survey show concern about possible development, The closure of the bank, speeding and the volume of traffic in the village.

Cllr Curwen entered and declared an interest in planning application SL/2014/1220 and would not be making any comments on it.

- 183/15 Kirkby Moor Wind Farm – Planning Application SL/2014/1220**  
 There was a discussion regarding the Windfarm planning application. **Resolved** to write to SLDC to object to the application as the turbines will out of scale, will have a visual impact on the area. The possibility of more power lines. The application is on SSSI land.
- 184/15 Wilson Park**  
 Consideration was given to Cllr Albion’s proposal to remove some dangerous steps in Wilson Park. **Resolved** that the steps will be removed and Cllr Albion will do the work free of charge.
- 185/15 LAP Meeting**  
 Consideration was given to items for the next LAP meeting. **Resolved** to request that Grasscutting and Street lighting me put on the LAP agenda.
- 186/15 Bins and Recycling**  
 As there is only a small number of bins in the Parish. It is not appropriate to relocate any SLDC bins. The clerk will contact SLDC again about this matter.
- 187/15 Parish Lengths Man**  
 Further work for the Parish Lengths man includes clearing around the grit bin at Meanfield. cutting back around the sign just before Meanfield and as a 1 off to cut back the other side of Bush Green.
- 188/15 Community Led Plan and Infrastructure in the Parish**  
 Cllr Knowles advised that the plan is at the draft stage and needs to be proof read, Hopefully the plan will be available early next year. Suggestions for the infrastructure are:  
 a) Footpath at Foxfield to be extended to Bush Green.  
 b) Footpath up to High Cross;  
 c) More playground equipment;  
 d) Parking facilities.
- 189/15 Planning Applications**  
 7/2015/5523 – Brookside, Woodland, Broughton-in-Furness LA20 6DJ  
 Erections of prefabricated wooden stable block on a concrete pad – No objections.
- 190/15 Police Commissioner**  
 Cllr Curwen raised concern about the lack of support from the authorities. He proposed that a letter be sent to the police commissioner seeking support on various matters including the speed table in Church Street, the speed limit through Broughton, raising concern about the safety of the Highway from Greenodd to Duddon Bridge and also the lack of a lollipop lady at Broughton School, Stop signs at the top of Griffin Street and Princes Street. Concern about the new Island at Kirkby-in-Furness outside Burlington School. Cllr Curwen raised concern about Cumbria County Council raising funds from selling off assets from our parish but not putting any funding back into the parish. If we have the support of the police perhaps Cumbria County Council might reconsider.

**191/15 Financial Matters**

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

C Adams	192.00
C Adams	143.53
T Glessal & Son Ltd	36.00
HMRC	43.40
E-on	65.23
J D Hillier	120.00
Hawthwaite Garden Services	420.00
Royal British Legion	25.00
Victory Hall	89.50
J R Burch Ltd	180.00
Wicksteed	9597.76
PHS	86.34
	<u>£10998.76</u>

Receipts

There are no receipts this month

**192/15 Correspondence**

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

**193/15 Cllr Reports**

Cllr Knowles asked if there was planning permission for the land on Foxfield Road.

Cllr Burch raised concern about the grit bins being refilled and raised concern that last year they had not all been refilled. Raised concern about the lights not working at the school and also raised concern about the lack of a lollipop lady.

Cllr Downe raised concern about drains which need cleaning out and advised that she had sought advice regarding 1 of the trees in the square which will just die off. The new tree just needs the bottom branches removing from the bottom.

Cllr Albion raised concern about pot holes in Ulpha Valley.

Cllr Pitts advised that the Openreach problems seen to be sorted and that Superfadt Broadband can now be ordered. Cllr Pitts reminded everyone of the meeting about pylons To be held at Victory Hall on 25 September 2015.

**194/15 District Cllr Curwen**

If the lights at the school are still not working then Cllr Curwen be contacted. Suggested that funding may be available for the footpath at Foxfield Cllr Curwen has had a meeting with SLDC at Grizebeck and has requested a 40 mph from Burlington Stone to Wreaks End quarry. Cllr Curwen has also has a meeting with A Little regarding highway matters and A roads not been up to standards.

**195/15 Date of next Meeting**

To note that the next council meeting is 22 October 2015.