

Kirkby Ireleth Parish Council

Chairman: Cllr. M. McPherson, 1 Combe Crescent, Kirkby-in-Furness, Cumbria

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 16th August 2018 at Grizebeck Community Hall, Grizebeck

1. Apologies for Absence:

Cllrs. R. Morrish, F. Wayles, M. Jackson, District Cllr. A. Hall,

Present:

M. McPherson, (Chairman) H.R. Saunders, G. Grieve, W. Todd, B. Copley, M. Irving, J. Byrne, I. Winstanley

District Cllrs. M. Brereton, T. Coward

Mr. I. Standing, Duddon Inshore Rescue, Member of the public

2. Requests for Dispensations

There were no requests for dispensation.

3. Declaration of Interests

Cllr. Saunders declared an interest in Item 15(b) on the agenda.

4. Chairman's Remarks

It was agreed that Item 8(b), warning signs around the Estuary, would be discussed next on the agenda.

8. Matters Arising from the previous meeting

8 (b) and 8 (c)

Cllr. Copley gave a report on the numbers of warning signs around the estuary and their condition. Mr. Standing gave a presentation on the sign that Duddon Inshore Rescue (DIR) had designed and informed that the cost of each sign will be £52.00 + VAT. He confirmed that the signs could be ordered through DIR. Purchase of four signs was proposed and seconded and agreed by all Councillors. Two signs will be to replace the ones in existence and two new signs will be placed at Soutergate and Kirkby Railway Station. The signs need to state the map co-ordinates to assist with reporting any incidents. It was agreed that Cllr. Copley and the Clerk will get the co-ordinates of where each sign is to go and forward them to Mr. Singleton.

Action: Cllr. Copley and Clerk to obtain co-ordinates for signs and place order with DIR

5. Open Forum

No comments made.

6. Matters for Any Other Business

- Drains – Springfield
- Natural England Boards
- Dog Fouling
- Clearing of pavements
- Sewers – Marshside
- Caravan at Chapels
- Housing Development
- Signs

7. Minutes of the previous meeting

The Minutes of the previous meeting were slightly amended approved and signed.

8. Matters Arising from the previous meeting

- a) The Clerk had written to CCC regarding the cutting back of vegetation at Muirlands as it was felt by the Counsel that the vegetation had not been cut back sufficiently and the milestone had not been exposed. A reply had been received from David Kirkby of Highways, he advised that now the tractor has undertaken the verge cut of our area operations teams will be out to clear up around the milestone.
- b) Already discussed.
- c) Already discussed.
- d) Cllr. Byrne had asked the Royal British Legion to provide a location map of where it is proposed the memorial seats will be placed. Cllr. Byrne to chase a reply.

Cllr. Byrne to seek reply from RBL on location of seats

- e) The Clerk had reported all the Highways faults on the portal.
- f) Cllr. Byrne had contacted Victoria Upton regarding the placing of speed measurement apparatus on the A595 who had advised that the matter is in hand and that the Parish Council will be informed when they are in position.
- g) Clerk had booked the venues for the next 12 months Parish Meetings and provided each Councillor with a list.
- h) Clerk had written to BT to ask that the glass be replaced in the phone box at Marshside, no response had yet been received.
- i) The Clerk had written to Mr. C. Moss, Bus Infrastructure Officer, CCC regarding the installation of a bus shelter on School Road. A reply had been received from Mark Hodgkiss advising Mr. Moss no longer works in the Department and the process of appointing his successor is underway. He informed that the request from the Parish will be passed to whoever is appointed. He had advised that in the event that the position is not filled, Mr. Hodgkiss himself would start the process of consultation to assess the suitability of a shelter.
- j) The Clerk had written to the member of the parish advising that a letter had been forwarded to the Bus Infrastructure Officer regarding the installation of the bus shelter.
- k) Clerk had written to the National Park Authority objecting to their move to paperless planning in January 2019.
- l) Clerk had reported the signage on Buckhorn Lane/A5092.

9. Police, Traffic, A595 & Highways

a) Police Report

There was no police report.

b) A595 and Highways

Victoria Upton had informed Cllr. Byrne that the issue of speeding vehicles through the village had been raised at the last CRASH meeting and is of some concern. She advised that the police mobile speed van has visited 7 times in recent months and had issued 163 fixed penalty notices. The mobile unit will carry on attending the village. The Clerk is to write to BAE, Sellafield, Burlington Aggregates and Harry Barker Ltd, asking them to remind their workers to adhere to the speed limit through the village.

Action: Clerk to write to the local firms

c) Hotline Reports

It was noted that some of the solar power speed signs in the village no longer work. Cllr. Byrne to contact Victoria Upton, Highways to report these.

The following were reported:-

- A pipe had burst at Springfield and the water had washed the road surface away. This therefore needs replacing. Clerk to email Karen Dockeray about this.

Action: Clerk to write to Karen Dockeray

- As a result of the above, the drains at Springfield have blocked and need to be cleared. Clerk to write to United Utilities requesting they do this.

Action: Clerk to write to United Utilities

- There is a sunken drain at the end of Herschel Terrace.
- There is a pothole on the A595 carriageway between the village and Soutergate. The Clerk to report this.

- The kerb in place on the East side of the A595 between Dove Ford and Dove Bank is inadequate. A taller kerb needs to be installed.

Action: Clerk to report all hotline faults

d) **Hotline Progress**

The Clerk informed that she had received notification from Highways that they could not find the sunken drain outside the School on School Road. Cllr. Todd advised that this had been fixed this about two days after the last Parish Meeting.

Action: Clerk to let CCC know fault has been fixed

10. **Parish Plan/Community Led Plan**

a) **Reports**

Community Facility

Damage had been caused to the roof of Grizebeck Community Hall by a HGV.

b) **Actions**

No actions reported.

11. **Current Matters**

a) **National Grid's Proposals**

Cllr. Todd reported that no decision on this had yet been made by the Government/South Korean company on Moorside. It was noted that if there was to be an extension of the National Park Boundary this may affect any plans for the pylons.

b) **Speed Measurement Apparatus on A595**

This item had already been discussed under Item 9(b).

c) **Flooding**

Cllr. Grieve has met with Geoff Fewkes and the Marsh Garth Bridge had been discussed. Mr. Fewkes agreed the bridge was not fit for purpose, however, he noted that the public footpath does not go across the bridge. He explained that the replacement of the bridge was a very low priority for CCC, who are still dealing with the effects of Storm Desmond in parts of the County. Mr. Fewkes had advised Cllr. Grieve that if the Parish Council undertook to replace the bridge, they would have the support of the CCC. He had suggested that a suitable alternative to the bridge now in place would be a flat bridge and had provided Cllr. Grieve with information of contractors who CCC use. The possibility of applying for community funding grant to assist with the cost of replacing the bridge was discussed. The Clerk to look into this.

Action: Clerk to look at Community Funding Grant

The Clerk informed that the community funding grant for the storage units had still not been received. The Clerk to contact Carol Last, CCC to enquire about this.

Action: Clerk to contact Carol Last, CCC

d) **Footpath – Soutergate to Beckside**

Cllr. Grieve had also discussed with Geoff Fewkes the issue of the footpath from Soutergate to Beckside. He had advised that the proposal now is to leave the footpath where it and reinstate the banking. However, there is no timeframe for this work to be done. In the meantime the footpath is going to be temporarily diverted.

e) **Counsel website and email address**

It was agreed that Cllr. Grieve will email members of the sub group to arrange a meeting to consider a new parish website.

Action: Cllr. Grieve to arrange meeting of the sub group regarding the website

f) **Shrubbery on land adjacent to the station**

Cllr. Brereton advised this is still in hand and will hopefully have an update at the next meeting.

g) **Trees – opposite the Vicarage**

Cllr. Breton informed that he has chased progress on this today. Cllr. Byrne agreed also to contact CCC about this.

Action: Cllr. Byrne to contact CCC about cutting back of trees opposite the Vicarage

12. **Statutory Requirements**

Nothing to report.

13. CGP Kirkby Ireleth Parish Council Trust Fund

Nothing to report as no meeting had been held.

14. Accounts

- a) A financial statement for the month of July 2018 was presented and approved by the Council for distribution.
- b) The Clerks salary of £150 and expenses of £16.88 for the month of August 2018 were approved.
- c) The payment of £37.40 to HMRC, being PAYE to 5th September 2018 was approved.
- d) The payment of £37.40 to HMRC, being PAYE to 5th October 2018 was approved.
- e) The payment of £25.00 being the payment to Mr. D. Cooper for carrying out weed control on Soutergate car park was approved.
- f) The payment of £45.00 being the payment to Mr. R. Cooper for carrying out work to the land between Kirkby Hall and Chapels was approved.
- g) The payment of £19.00 being the cost of the hire of Grizebeck Hall for the meeting was approved.
- h) **NALC Funding**
Councillors were reminded that NALC had awarded and paid to the Council a grant of £45.00, being the annual fee for the web site for 2016/2017, under their transparency funding. As the parish council had already paid this sum to Cllr. McPherson prior to the award of the grant, the £45.00 was placed in the reserve. A grant had also been received to purchase a printer and is held in the reserve. The Clerk is to purchase the printer.
- i) **Meeting Date of the Finance Sub Committee**
The Finance Sub Committee were reminded that a meeting is to be held on Saturday 6th October 2018 at 9.30 at 1 Coombe Crescent, to consider employing a lengthsman for the parish.
- j) **Projects for funding**
 - i. Bus Stop – This had been dealt with at Item 8(i).

15. Planning

- a) **Applications**
 - CU/2018/0011 – Ghyll End Farm – Conversion of a barn to a dwelling
No objections or comments
 - SL/2018/0657 – Brookside, Beanthwaite – General purpose agricultural building for storing machinery, straw and hay
No objections or comments.
 - SL/2018/0692 – Land Opposite Sunn Inn Cottage – Discharge of conditions attached to planning application SL/2016/0773
This application is in regard to the proposed property development for 3 houses by Holker Estates. Cllr. McPherson gave a brief explanation of the details of this application. There were no objections or comments.
- b) **Windfarm - Appeal**
Cllr. Winstanley gave a report on the appeal against SLDC's decision not to grant the application to extend the life of the wind farm. He explained that the group "Kirkby Moor Protectors" are also wishing to fight the appeal. However, to do so they will need to instruct a Barrister which will cost in the region of £7,000 and they are seeking donations to assist with this. He informed that Lowick and Urswick Parish Councils have already pledged a donation. Cllr. Winstanley proposed that the Kirkby Ireleth Parish Council pledge £500. This was seconded by Cllr. Todd and agreed by all. It was noted that the money will only be paid to the Group in the event they secure all the funding they require.
- c) **Paperless planning – SLDC and National Park Authority**
No response has yet been received from SLDC regarding sending a representative to the Parish Council Meeting to discuss this issue. Cllr. Brereton advised that Mr. Cooper of SLDC planning had attended the Lowick Parish Council Meeting in July, which was on

the same night as the Kirkby Parish Meeting. Lowick were not expecting him and therefore Cllr. Brerton suggested that it may have been that Mr. Cooper had attended the wrong meeting. It was agreed to invite Mr. Cooper to the next meeting.

Action: Clerk to write to SLDC Planning

16. Correspondence

The following correspondence had been received and was placed in the folder for distribution:

- a) PCCG – September Event – National Park Southern Boundary Review
The Clerk to inform Mr. Savage of PCCG of the Councillors who will be attending the meeting.

Action: Clerk to inform PCCG of Councillors attendance at meeting on 11th September

- b) DEP – Minutes of the DEP held on 22nd May 2018
- c) CALC – Developing your skills
- d) Letter from Stagecoach – Cllr. Brereton advised that he is still trying to progress the reinstatement of bus routes cancelled by Stagecoach. It was agreed for the Clerk to send a response to the letter received from Stagecoach.

Action: Clerk to write to Stagecoach

17. Any Other Business

- **Natural England Boards**

It was reported that the Natural England Boards around the village are in a bad state of repair and need some attention. Cllr. McPherson will deal with this issue.

Action: Cllr. McPherson to deal with issue of NE Boards

- **Dog Fouling**

There continues to be a problem with dog fouling around the village. This will be once again placed in the Newsletter.

Action: Cllr. McPherson to raise the issue of dog fouling in the Newsletter

- **Clearing of Pavement**

Cllr. Brereton has raised the issue of clearing the pavements of weeds etc. with David Kirkby of SLDC.

- **Sewers – Marshside**

It was reported that the sewers at Marshside are smelling. The Clerk to write to Unities Utilities about this.

Action: Clerk to write to United Utilities

- **Planning Application Issues**

The following two planning application issues were reported:-

- Ginyring Cottage, Grizebeck. It appears that work has already begun even though it is believed that planning permission was not granted.
- Fairview – A static caravan remains on site at Fairview, which should have been removed by January 2018 in accordance with the planning application granted by SLDC.

The Clerk to report these to SLDC.

Action: Clerk to report planning application issues to SLDC

- **Housing Development**

Registering for affordable housing was discussed. Cllr. McPherson to once again place a reminder about this in the Newsletter.

Action: Cllr. McPherson to place reminder to register for affordable housing in the Newsletter

- **Signs**

Cllr. Saunders raised the issue of the inadequate signage at Grizebeck. The problem being that there is no green road sign indicating the A595 to Barrow heading Eastwards. Cllr. Byrne to once again raise this with Victoria Upton

Action: Cllr. Byrne to contact Victoria Upton with regard to signage at Grizebeck

- Cllr. Saunders also reported that the road sign by the Quarry entrance is misleading and should be removed. The sign indicates a bend in the road but the direction of the bend on the sign is incorrect. The Clerk to report this on the portal.

Action: Clerk to report problem with road sign on A5092

It was noted that the other items noted for Any Other Business had already been discussed under the relevant items on the agenda.

18. Deferred Actions Review

Nothing to report.

19. Date of the next Meeting

**Thursday 18th October at 7.00 pm
At the Methodist Church, Marshside**

Alison Field

Clerk to the Parish Council