

Kirkby Ireleth Parish Council

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

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 19th December 2019 at Grizebeck Community Centre

1. Apologies for Absence:

Cllrs. B. Copley, M. McPherson

Present:

Cllrs. M. Jackson (Chair), M. Irving, W. Todd, R. Saunders, G. Scott, J. Byrne, R. Morrish, I. Winstanley, G. Grieve

2. Requests for Dispensations

There were no requests for dispensations.

3. Declaration of Interests

Cllr. Grieve – 16(a)

Cllr. Irving – 16(a)

4. Chairman's Remarks

There were no chairman's remarks.

5. Open Forum

No members of the public were present.

6. Matters for Any Other Business

- Pavements/Roadsides
- Sweeping of Road – Beckside to High Ghyll
- Litterbin
- Sheep worrying
- Councillor Surgeries
- Tippins Lane

7. Minutes of the previous meeting

The Minutes of the previous Meeting were approved and signed with a slight amendment.

8. Matters Arising from the previous meeting

- a) Cllr. Byrne had reported the problem with the potholes at Dove Ford Farm to Highways. Karen Dockery had replied that she had attended the site and could not see anything wrong with the repairs and did not believe they needed levelling.
- b) Cllr. McPherson is in the process of arranging the meeting of the sub-committee to revise the Parish Emergency Plan.
Action: Cllr. McPherson to arrange a meeting of the sub-committee to revise the Parish Emergency Plan
- c) Cllr. Grieve had contacted Dan Penellum regarding installation of the storage units.
- d) Cllr. Todd reported that he had spoken to some residents of Marsh Side who did not oppose the removal of the BT telephone. However, they did suggest that the box could be retained and a defibrillator placed inside. It was agreed for the Clerk to contact the relevant authority and ask what happens to the power source when the phone is removed.

Action: Clerk to contact SLDC about removal of telephone box at Marshside

- e) Cllr. Brereton was to update the Council regarding the blocked drains on the A5092 (by the Quarry). As he was not in attendance at the meeting this will be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

Action: Cllr. Brereton to update the Council with regard to the blocked drains on the A5092 (by the Quarry)

- f) Cllr. Brereton was to raise the issue of the exposed stones on Tippins Lane with Highways. This also will be carried forward to the next Meeting.

Action Cllr. Brereton to raise the issue of exposed stones on Tippins Lane with Highways

- g) The Clerk had reported to PCSO Ross the issue with HGV's using Bank End Lane and Buckhorn Lane. PCSO Ross replied, advising that she has passed this on to the officer who deals with traffic management and that hopefully he will bring the matter up at the next meeting with Highways and other agencies.
- h) Cllr. Jackson has monitored the drain near the Bridge and Soutergate and reported there does not appear to be a problem with it.
- i) Cllr. Byrne checked the manhole cover near Railway Cottage and reported the issue with it to the relevant authority. She advised this has now been repaired.
- j) See (i) above.
- k) Cllr. Todd had arranged the purchase and delivery of chippings to Soutergate car park.
- l) The Clerk had forwarded an electronic copy of the Parish Plan to Cllr. McPherson.
- m) The Clerk had contacted Karen Dockery regarding installation of the grit bins. These have now been put in place. A request had been received by a member of the public for a grit bin to be placed at Broom Lea, Beckside. The Clerk to email Karen Dockery to see if this would be possible.

Action: Clerk to email Karen Dockeray to request a storage bin at Broom Lea.

- n) Cllr. Byrne had contacted Warren Birch, Community Rail Partnership Officer regarding the possible leasing of the land adjacent to the station for a car park. He had replied advising the land belongs to Network Rail. A letter is to be sent to network rail regarding this.

Action: Clerk to forward letter to Network Rail regarding the possibility of leasing the land adjacent to the railway station to develop as a car park

- o) Cllr. Irving had carried out a quarterly review of the accounts and confirmed the reports balanced.
- p) Cllr. McPherson had spoken with the owners of Headgate Barn, Soutergate and had arranged for an electrician to fix the light.
- q) The Clerk had written to the Grizebeck resident regarding speed reduction on the A5092/A595 and advised them to contact Cllr. Brereton for updates on this.
- r) Cllr. Todd had advised some of the Residents of Marsh Garth to report flooding of gardens to Kirkby Hall Farm.

9. Police, Traffic, A595 & Highways

a) Police Report

A police report had been received and was read out.

b) A595/A5092 matters

Temporary Road Closure A595 – Broughton to Grizebeck – Notification had been received from Highways that a section of this road will be close from 8th January 2020 for one week between the hours of 20:00 to 05:00 hours.

Email from CCC – Engineering Safety Study A5092/A595 Grizebeck. The Parish Council had been copied into an email advising that CCC hope to arrange a meeting in the latter half of January with the Grizebeck Road Safety Group, the Parish Council and Cllr. Brereton regarding the Engineering Safety Study which is being carried out.

Hotline Reports

- The following faults were reported to the Council;
 - A595 Merebeck – Chevron boards need cutting out
 - Road needs resurfacing between Buckkhorn House and Beckstones
 - Rose Cottages, Soutergate – road is sinking

Action: The Clerk to report the above on the portal

- Friars Grounds and High Ghyll - Roads need sweeping and drains clearing. The Clerk to report this to Karen Dockery

Action: Clerk to ask Karen Dockery for roads and High Ghyll and Friars Ground to be sweeping and drains clearing

- School Road – verges need cutting back.

Action: Cllr. Grieve to report the verges on School Road to Karen Dockery

- Lane Head Farm – road needs resurfacing, no parking signs need making clearer.

Action: Cllr. Byrne to report this to Highways

c) Hotline Progress

The Clerk provided the following update:-

- The drains on school road have been inspected and Highways have advised further work is required to fix them.

10. Parish Plan/Community Led Plan

a) Reports

Burlington School – Cllr. Scott reported the following:-

- The school lights are operated remotely. The Southbound light does not come on at all and the Northbound light is on continuously. The Clerk to report them on the portal.

Action: Clerk to report school lights on the portal

- The Christmas Fair raised in excess of £750
- Irini Tzortogolou, a Chef from Cartmel, had bid for a piece of the giant marshmallow of Pudsey Bear which had been auctioned to raise money for Children in Need, she then donated some to the School who sold it to raise money for the School.

NG Pylon - No updates, however, It was noted that Trudy Harrison, Minister for Copeland, is pushing for smaller nuclear plants to be built instead of big ones.

b) Actions

None

c) Emergency Plan

d) This was covered under Item 8(b) on the agenda.

e) Community LED Plan

This is to be put on the agenda for the next meeting.

11. Current Matters

a) Flooding

Cllr. Grieve advised that the cutting back of the verges around the caravan site, by CCC, is still awaited.

b) Footpath 53907 - Soutergate to Beckside

Cllr. Grieve reported that he had met with Holker and they are going to explore fencing the area that has been washed away. They will get back to the Council with regard to this in the New Year.

c) Bridge at Marsh Garth

- Cllr. Grieve reported that the next step is to complete the community grant application.
- d) **Grit Bins**
This was reported on at Item 8 (m) on the agenda.
 - e) **Duddon Estuary Safety signs**
Cllr. Grieve is in the process of installing the signs.
 - f) **Lake District National Park Southern Boundary Extension**
Nothing to report at the moment.
 - g) **BT Payphone Removal Consultation – Kirkby Hall Corner, Marshside**
This was discussed under Item 8 (d) on the agenda.
 - h) **Land Adjacent to the Railway Station**
This had been discussed under Item 8(n) on the agenda.
 - i) **Cutting back of hedges/verges by Probation Service**
Some work has been carried out by CCC. See Item 9(b) above with regard to verges.
 - j) **Storage Units**
Cllr. Grieve reported that he will contact Dan Penellum with regard to installing the units in the New Year.
 - k) **Appointment of a Trustee to Kirkby-in-Furness Community Centre**
It was agreed for Cllr. Scott to become a Trustee of the Kirkby-in-Furness Community Centre.
 - l) **Lights on Residents properties**
This will be discussed by the Finance Sub-committee at their next meeting.

12. Statutory Requirements

Code of Conduct – The Council agreed to retain the Code of Conduct which is currently in place.

13. CGP Kirkby Ireleth Parish Council Trust Fund

The CGP Trust Fund awarded the following grants at their last meeting:

Kirkby Netball Club - £250.00 for the cost of netball equipment
 Kirkby Community Centre - £550 for the cost of display boards and laminator.
 St. Cuthbert's PCC - £245.00 for the cost of producing the yearly calendar.
 St Cuthbert's PCC - £600.00 for producing the monthly caller
 Grizebeck Village Hall - £290.00 towards the costs of a Christmas party.
 Kirkby Community Centre - £173.98 for the cost of step ladders

Cllr. Scott reported that the cost of the display boards was less than anticipated. It was also reported that the step ladders purchased are for use for anyone in the parish.

14. Lengthsman

The Lengthsman will repair the potholes at Soutergate now the stone has been delivered.

15. Accounts

- a) A financial statement for November 2019 was presented and approved by the Council for distribution.
- b) The Clerks salary of £150.00 and expenses of £16.88 for December 2019 were approved.
- c) The payment of £37.60 to HMRC, being PAYE to 5th January 2020 was approved.
- d) A meeting for the Finance Sub Committee was arranged for Saturday 11th January 2020. This is to discuss the budget and set the Precept for 2020/21.

16. Planning

a) **Applications received:**

- **SL/2018/0364 – Land adjacent to Burlington Primary School, Kirkby-in-Furness.**
The Parish Council had submitted a letter had been sent to SLDC Planning with regard to this application as the deadline for objections/comments was prior to this meeting.
- **SL/2019/0986 – Land adjacent to Estuary Lodge, Kirkby-in-Furness – No comments are to be reported on this application.**
- **SL/2019/0998 – Land of West of A595 – Dove Bank, Kirkby-in-Furness – Concerns were raised with regard to highway safety upon entering and exiting the proposed development.**
- **PN/2019/0054 - Low Hall Farm, Kirkby-in-Furness, LA17 7TR - A new forestry access road to be constructed off the farm access across fields and into the wood. There were no objections to this application.**

b) **Planning Notifications:**

None

c) **Planning Enforcement Issues**

- Ginyring Cottage, Grizebeck – No update.
- Gypsy Caravan, Grizebeck - A letter had been received from Julie Birkett, Area Planner at the Lake District National Park Authority. She advised that she had visited the site and whilst she did not actually inspect the location where it is believed the caravan is, she did have discussions with the owner who assured her that he did not have a caravan and that it was actually a small shelter that he stores some tools and wood in and that it has a green sheet stretched over the roof, which is curved and makes it look like a bow top caravan from the road. The Parish Council instructed the Clerk to reply to Ms. Birkett and ask her to visit the site and go and see the structure.

Action: Clerk to write to Julie Birkett at LDNPA

17. Correspondence

The following correspondence had been received and was placed in the pack:-

- a) CALC – Community Energy Champions in Parish Councils
- b) FLAG Newsletter
- c) CALC – Priorities for Parish Councils
- d) CALC Newsletter December 2019 to January 2020
- e) CALC – Buckingham Palace Garden Party 2020

18. Any Other Business

Sheep worrying – Reports had been received that an Alsation/Huskey type dog had been worrying sheep in the area. Cllr. Scott will place a notice about this in the Newsletter.

Action: Cllr. Scott to place an article about sheep worrying in the Newsletter.

Councillor Surgeries – Cllr. Scott proposed that Cllrs. Surgeries be held one morning a month. Cllr. Scott to make enquires to see if the local café owner would be agreeable for them to be held in the café.

Action: Cllr. Scott to make enquiries at local café to see if they would agree for Councillor surgeries to be held there

Tippins Lane – The issue of the speed of the vehicles along Tippins Lane, between Muirlands layby and Pear Tree Beck was raised. A 50 mile speed limit is in existence on this stretch of road but is ignored by a lot of drivers. This makes accessing and exiting from the group of 5 cottages by Pear Tree Beck very dangerous. It was agreed that Cllr. Byrne would ask Victoria Upton, Highways to carry out a site meeting with herself and Cllr. Scott.

Action: Cllr. Byrne to contact Victoria Upton, Highways regarding Tippns Lane by Pear Tree Beck
All other items reported under Matters for Any Other Business had already been discussed under relevant items on the agenda.

19. Deferred Actions Review

Affordable Housing – Nothing to report

Bus Shelter on School Road – Nothing to report.

Green sign on the A595 at Grizebeck – Nothing to report.

Grizebeck Hall signage – Nothing to report

20. Date of Next Meeting

**Thursday 16th January 2020 at
Beckside Rooms, Beckside**

**Alison Field
Clerk to the Parish Council**