

# Kirkby Ireleth Parish Council

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

## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at Becksie Rooms, Becksie

### 1. Apologies for Absence:

Cllrs. B. Winstanley, J. Byrne

#### Present:

Cllrs. M. McPherson, (Chair) M. Jackson, M. Irving, W. Todd, R. Saunders, G. Scott, R. Morrish, G. Grieve, B. Copley

### 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

- Cllr. McPherson informed that he had attended the licencing of the new Curate to St. Cuthberts, Stephen Tudway, on behalf of the Parish Council.
- The Welcome to Kirkby booklets have now been printed by the Chairman as it had proved difficult to contact the printing company who usually does this.
- An email had been received from Rachael Bagshaw, Holker Estates, advising that planning permission had been granted for the housing development and it is hoped that work on the site will begin this year.
- David Anderson of Kirkby-in-Furness, has been invited to the Houses of Parliament to take part in a presentation on Village Hall Grants.

### 5. Open Forum

No members of the public were present.

### 6. Matters for Any Other Business

- Dog Fouling
- Sign on the Mosses Road
- Speeding
- Dog off leads
- Shipping containers at Grizebeck
- Soutergate dropped highway
- Development at Head Cragg
- Chapels sign

### 7. Minutes of the previous meeting

The Minutes of the previous Meeting were amended, approved and signed.

### 8. Matters Arising from the previous meeting

- a) 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**
- b) The Clerk had contacted SLDC regarding the removal of the telephone box at Marshside. They had replied advising that as they received no response from the local community their official response to BT on the consultation was to object to its removal. As a result BT have advised that the box will not be removed. BT have however confirmed that if they do obtain agreement to remove it in a future consultation, then the power is disconnected, the cable is pulled away from the kiosk, it is then capped and buried to a regulation depth. The power is not disconnected at source.
- c) Cllr. Brereton informed that he had reported and chased Peter Hosking with regard to the blocked drains on the A5092 (by the Quarry).
- d) Cllr. Brereton had contacted Karen Dockery with regard to the exposed stones on Tippins Lane. She had reported that she will look into this and asked that the HIM reference number be provided. The Clerk to forward this to Cllr. Brereton  
**Action: Clerk to forward HIM reference number for Tippins Lane stones to Cllr. Brereton**
- e) The Clerk had not emailed Karen Dockery about the grit bin at Broom Lea as needed confirmation where this is to be sited. The Clerk to contact the member of the public to ascertain where the bin is to be situated.  
**Action: Clerk to contact member of public about siting of grit bin**
- f) The Clerk had forwarded the letter to Network Rail regarding land adjacent to the station. Cllr. Brereton reported that he has asked the new MP Simon Fell, to look at the issue of car parking at stations throughout the area.
- g) Clerk had written to Karen Dockery requesting the roads at High Ghyll and Friars Ground be swept and drains cleared.
- h) The Clerk had reported the faults on the portal.
- i) Cllr. Grieve informed that Karen Dockery has advised that there are no plans to carry out further work on the verges at this time. Cllr. Grieve reported that Probation have today started work on clearing the verges.
- j) The Clerk emailed Julie Birkett at LDNPA asking her to revisit and inspect the property at Beanthwaite.
- k) The issue of sheep worrying was not raised in the Newsletter as there was no Newsletter for the month.
- l) Cllr. Scott is to make enquiries at local café to see if they would agree for Councillor surgeries to be held there.
- m) Cllr. Byrne was not in attendance at the meeting so the action for her to contact Victoria Upton, Highways regarding Tippins Lane by Pear Tree Beck will be placed on the next agenda.  
**Action: Cllr. Byrne to contact Victoria Upton regarding Tippins Lane by Pear Tree Beck**

## 9. Police, Traffic, A595 & Highways

- a) **Police Report**  
A police report had not been received.
- b) **A595/A5092 matters**  
**Temporary Road Closure A595** – Broughton to Grizebeck – 8<sup>th</sup> January 2020 for one week between the hours of 20:00 to 05:00 hours. Questions were raised as to why the road had to be closed in its entirety each night and why this work could not have been done in 2 halves. Also, the times given on the signs did not correspond with the prior notification

received. It was reported that this caused confusion. Cllr. Brereton advised that another Parish Council had also complained.

**Speed indicating signs** – Cllr. Brereton reported that Keith Little and Peter Hosking have agreed that something needs to be done about the signs which are not working. It is hoped that all the signs not working will be taken down and only those which are important will be replaced, i.e. reducing speed as entering a residential area.

**Grizebeck Hill** – Cllr. Brereton reported that the Speed Survey has now been completed and will be considered.

**A595 Grizebeck by-pass** – Cllr. Brereton reported that as far as he is aware this is still being considered and progressing as normal. He stated there is no indication following the general election, that priorities have changed.

**SCR-5/19/14 – A595 – Screening Opinion - Grizebeck Transport Improvement** – This had been received from SLDC. The Clerk to forward a copy to Cllr. Brereton.

**Action: Clerk to forward a copy of the A595 Screening Opinion to Cllr. Brereton**

#### **Hotline Reports**

- The following faults were reported to the Council:
  - A595 – Tippins Lane - Man-hole cover - pothole

#### c) **Hotline Progress**

None to report

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

#### a) **Reports**

**Burlington School** – Cllr. Scott reported the following:-

- School Roll is up now to 72 children
- The School sang at the Licensing of the New Curate at St. Cuthberts

**Grizebeck Community Centre** – Sellafield have extended the car park hire for another 6 months.

**Community Centre** – It was reported the build is progressing.

#### b) **Actions**

None

#### c) **Emergency Plan**

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

### **11. Current Matters**

#### a) **Flooding**

Cllr. Grieve informed he is still chasing an update from Seamus Giles. Cllr. Brereton was asked if he would kindly prompt him to reply.

#### b) **Footpath 53907 - Soutergate to Beckside**

A response from Georgina Hurley is awaited regarding fencing off the subsided land.

#### c) **Bridge at Marsh Garth**

Cllr. Grieve reported that he is in the process of completing the community grant application.

#### d) **Duddon Estuary Safety signs**

These have now been installed.

#### e) **Lake District National Park Southern Boundary Extension**

Nothing to report at the moment.

#### f) **Land Adjacent to the Railway Station**

This had been discussed under Item 8(f) on the agenda.

#### g) **Cutting back of hedges/verges by Probation Service**

It was noted that this had been covered under Item 8(i) on the agenda.

**h) Storage Units**

Cllr. Grieve reported that these should be fitted this month.

**i) Lights on Residents properties**

The light at Soutergate at Head Gate Barn has now been fixed. Cllr. McPherson to contact the electrician regarding the light at Beckside Rooms.

**Action: Cllr. McPherson to contact electrician regarding the light at Beckside Rooms**

It was reported that the light at Marshside is not working. As this is one of the lights that is on the maintenance contract, the Clerk to report this on the portal.

**Action: Clerk to report light at Marshside on the portal**

**j) Councillors Surgeries**

It was noted that this was reported under Item 8(l) on the agenda.

**12. Statutory Requirements**

None

**13. CGP Kirkby Ireleth Parish Council Trust Fund**

There had been no meeting of the Trust Fund since the last Parish Meeting.

**14. Lengthsman**

- a) The Lengthsman is now in the process of filling in the pot holes at Soutergate.
- b) As the Lengthsman will commence his monthly work in April, Councillors were asked to consider work that needs carrying out.

**15. Accounts**

- a) A financial statement for December 2019 was presented and approved by the Council for distribution.
- b) The Clerks salary of £150.00 and expenses of £16.88 for January 2020 were approved.
- c) The payment of £37.40 to HMRC, being PAYE to 5<sup>th</sup> February 2020 was approved.
- d) The payment of £20 for the hire of Grizebeck Hall for the December 2019 meeting was approved.
- e) The payments of £40.00 each to residents in relation to the Parish Council's contributions to electricity for streetlights was approved.
- f) The payment of £85.17 to E-ON for the period 1<sup>st</sup> October 2019 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019 was approved.
- g) The payment of £10 for the FLAG annual subscription was approved.
- h) The payment of £128.00 to the Lengthsman for work carried out to Soutergate car park in December 2019 and January 2020 was approved.
- i) A report was received from the Finance Sub Committee with regard to the proposed budget, precept, SLDC Remuneration Report, Community Infrastructure Levy, Precept for 2020/21.
  - j.1.i. Budget for 2020/21 – this was approved by the Full Council.
  - j.1.ii. Precept – See Item 15(j) below.
  - j.1.iii. SLDC Remuneration Report – It was noted that the recommendations by SLDC with regard to remuneration for Travel and Subsistence, as set out in their report dated 21<sup>st</sup> December 2018, is still current as no updated report has been provided and it was agreed by the Full Council to continue to accept the recommendations as set out in that report.

- j.1.iv. It was proposed that the community infrastructure levy funds of £583.21 be used for the school to mitigate the effects of the building work which is to be carried out on the site adjacent to the school. This was seconded and approved by all.
- j) It was proposed to approve the precept as proposed by the Finance Sub Committee, this was seconded and agreed by all Councillors.
- k) The payment of £79.50, had been made to T. Armistead for chippings for Soutergate car park. This had been agreed at the last meeting.

## 16. Planning

### a) Applications received:

- i. **SL/2019/0986 – Land adjacent to Estuary Lodge** – This application had been discussed at the last meeting and a response had been submitted to SLDC.
- ii. **SL/2019/0998 – Land to West of A595 Dove Bank, Kirkby-in-Furness** – This application had been discussed at the last meeting and a response had been submitted to SLDC.

### b) Planning Notifications:

SCR-5/19/14 – A595 Screen Opinion – Grizebeck Transport Improvement. This had been discussed at Item 9(b) on the agenda.  
 SL/2019/0869 – Two storey extension with raised decking at ground floor level. This had been granted with conditions.

### c) Planning Enforcement Issues

- i. Ginnyring Cottage, Grizebeck – No update.
- ii. Gypsy Caravan, Grizebeck - This had been discussed under Item 8( j ) on the agenda.
- iii. It was reported that there is still shipping containers in the grounds of Old School House. The Clerk to report this to Lake District National Park planning authority.

**Action: Clerk to write to LDNP about shipping containers at Old School House**

## 17. Correspondence

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

- a) ACTion – Community Support to develop a travel and transport project
- b) Clerks and Councils Direct
- c) Natural England – Notification of publication of Coastal Access reports: Silecroft to Silverdale. This is to be put on the agenda for the next meeting.
- d) Harlequin Group – Proposed Smart Metering Installation at Streetworks on A5092 Beanthwaite – This was discussed at length. A letter is to be sent to Harlequin Group strongly objecting to the siting of the Smart Meter at the location proposed.  
**Action: Clerk to write to Harlequin Group regarding proposed siting of Smart Meter**
- e) North West Coastal Access Monthly update
- f) Ian Brodie – Ramblers and Open Spaces Society – England Coast Path
- g) SLDC – South Lakeland Local Plan Review – Briefing on early engagement. Cllr. McPherson and Cllr. Jackson are to attend this meeting.

## 18. Any Other Business

- a) **Dog Fouling** – A reminder is to be put in the Newsletter about dog fouling. A suggestion to have a bin at Chapels for dog fouling bins had been received from a member of the public. This was discussed but the Council believe there is sufficient bins in the area for this purpose.

**Action: Cllr. Scott to place reminder in Newsletter about dog fouling**

- b) **Sign on the Mosses** – It was noted that this area is not in the Kirkby Ireleth Parish Council
- c) **Beckside Speeding** – An Issue with speeding vehicles at Beckside was reported. A reminder to reduce speed will be placed in the Newsletter.
- d) **Dog off leads** – lambing. A reminder is to be put in the Newsletter to keep dogs on leads as the lambing season approaches
- e) **Development at Head Cragg** – It was reported that work is being carried out to put the roof on the old barn at Head Cragg. This property has got planning permission for this.
- f) **Chapels Sign** – One of the signs at Chapels is loose. Cllr. McPherson to establish which sign this is in order it can be fixed.

**Action: Cllr. McPherson to establish which sign is loose at Chapels**

#### **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 20<sup>th</sup> February 2020 at  
The Methodist Church, Marshside**

#### **Date of March Meeting**

The meeting listed for Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March will now be held on **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March**, at Beckside Rooms, Beckside

**Alison Field**

**Clerk to the Parish Council**