

# Kirkby Ireleth Parish Council

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

## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held Remotely via Zoom on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2021

### 1. Apologies for Absence:

Cllr. J. Byrne, District Cllrs. I. Wharton,

#### Present:

Cllrs. M. McPherson (Chair), M. Jackson, W. Todd, R. Saunders, G. Grieve, G. Scott, I. Winstanley, R. Morrish, M. Irving, S. Rhodes  
County Cllr. M. Brereton, District Cllr. Coward

### 2. Requests for Dispensations

There were no requests for dispensations.

### 3. Declaration of Interests

None.

### 4. Reports from District and County Councillors

Cllr. Wharton had been unable to attend the meeting but had provided a Newsletter which had been forwarded to Councillors prior to the meeting.

Cllr. Coward provided the following report:

**Grants** - There are 12 different grants available from SLDC, which is one of the top areas for distributing money. Cllr. Coward said she would urge people to access the SDLC website regarding grants.

**Carbon footprint/bio-diversity** – Cllr. Coward said she will forward information she has on this to the Council.

**Action: Cllr. Coward to forward to Parish Council information on carbon footprint/bio-diversity**

**Bin Collections** - Cllr. Coward said she is aware that there has been a problem with bin collections in the parish. She advised that this is also happening in other areas of the district. She said the advice from SLDC is to leave your bins out if they had not been collected which, she stated, was not ideal due to the windy weather we experience. Cllr. Coward had provided the contact details for the appropriate department within SLDC, to report this. It was confirmed that the bins have now been collected.

Cllr. Brereton provided the following report:

**A5092/A595** – Grizebeck - Cllr. Brereton had emailed Highways asking what measures are to be funded at Grizebeck. He awaits a response.

**Gritter** - With regard to the Gritter which had got stuck and caused damaged to a building at Sandside. Cllr. Brereton emailed Mr. Hoskins and awaits a response.

**B4rn** – Cllr. Brereton reported that he is in the process of setting up a meeting with B4RN, which will be held by Zoom. He informed that it is possible to register interest in B4RN directly via their website page.

**Beanthwaite Drains** – Cllr. Brereton awaits a response from Highways on this.

**Signs** – He still has not had a response from Highways as to the type of speeding signs which are going to be installed. Cllr. McPherson advised that the speeding on School Road is significant and that signs are needed as soon as possible.

## 5. Chairman's Remarks

The Chairman welcomed Cllr. Sarah Rhodes to her first full Council Meeting.

The Chairman informed that he would be stepping down as Chair at the Annual General Meeting in May. The Vice-Chair, Cllr. Jackson advised that he would also be stepping down as Vice-chair at the AGM.

## 6. Open Forum

There were no comments.

## 7. Matters for Any Other Business

- United Utilities
- Litter on road
- Visitors in the Village between Christmas and New Year
- Sewarge at Marshside
- Dog Fouling

## 8. Minutes of the previous meeting

The Minutes of the previous Meeting were approved. The minutes will be signed when possible.

## 9. Matters Arising from the previous meeting

- a) The Clerk had notified the candidates of the outcome of the co-option for the vacancy of councillor.
- b) Cllr. Byrne had attempted to contact Graeme Wheelhouse but had not been successful, as yet, she will continue to contact him.

**Action: Cllr. Byrne to contact Graeme Wheelhouse regarding drains on A5092 at Beanthwaite**

- c) The Clerk had contacted Carol Last chasing a decision on the Community Grant application. Carol had informed that the application had been successful and £1500 had been awarded for the replacement bridge at Marshside.
- d) The Clerk had reported the faults on the portal.
- e) A letter of thanks had been forwarded to the Lengthsman.
- f) The Clerk had responded to the resident at Grizebeck regarding pedestrian access on the new by-pass
- g) The Clerk had forwarded a copy of the letter from Cumbria Police regarding the off-road motorcycling to the resident of Knott End Farm.

## 10. Police, Traffic, A595 & A5092 and Highways

### a) Police Report

A police report had been received and was read out.

### b) A595/A5092 and Highways matters

- Eight motorbikes travelling through the Village without licenced plates had been reported to the police.
- A595 Grizebeck bypass – It was reported that CCC will be holding a scoping meeting on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> January to determine how to progress in contacting residents and addressing the issues around the scheme.

### c) Hotline Reports

The following faults to be reported to Highways:

- Potholes Wall End
- Pothole/damage to manhole covers Gargrieve

- Two road signs have fallen down on A5092
- A595 – four drains not taking water
- A595 – Dove Ford Farm - potholes

**Action: clerk to reports faults on the portal**

- d) **Hotline Progress**  
None.

## 11. Parish Plan

### a) Reports

- Burlington School - is currently closed due to a positive covid test.
- Community Facility - Kirkby Community Centre has now had blinds installed and the footpath has been tarmacked.

- b) **Actions**  
None

## 12. Current Matters

### a) Flooding

Nothing to report.

### b) Bridge at Marsh Garth

The grant application has been successful and £1500 has been awarded towards the replacement bridge at Marsh Garth. Councillor Grieve to progress this. Permission to proceed with the replacement bridge will need to be obtained from Holker Estates. Updated quotes will also need to be obtained from the two contractors who had previously provided quotes.

**Action: Cllr. Grieve to contact Contractors who provided a quotation for the bridge to obtain updated quotes/Seek permission from Holker Estates for the replacement bridge**

### c) Lake District National Park Southern Boundary Extension

Nothing to report on this.

### d) Land Adjacent to the Railway Station

No progress to report on this.

### e) Cutting back of hedges/verges by Probation Service

No update on this.

### f) Storage Units

Cllr. Grieve reported no further progress with this at the moment due to the current situation with covid-19. It was reported that Grizebeck/Soutergate/Community Centre need sandbags replenished the Clerk to contact Mr. O'Neill.

**Action: Clerk to contact Mr. O'Neill to ask for sandbags to be delivered**

### g) Lights on Residents properties

Nothing to report – this will be removed from the Agenda.

### h) Councillors Surgeries

These are in abeyance due to the current situation with covid-19.

## 13. Statutory Requirements

None

## 14. CGP Kirkby Ireleth Parish Council Trust Fun

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

- St. Cuthbert's PCC £1500.00 for scaffolding and repairs to down spouts.
- Grizebeck Village Hall £45.00 for Christmas tree.

- St. Cuthbert's PCC £254.00 for production of the Calendar.
- St. Cuthbert's PCC £160.80 for printing of a new service book.
- £300.00 each to St. Cuthbert's PCC, Methodist Church, Church of Christ, Woodland Church, Woodland Parish Rooms, Grizebeck Village Hall and the Community Centre for the maintenance of their buildings during the current lockdown caused by the coronavirus pandemic.

## 15. Lengthsman

### a) **Receive a report of work undertaken**

None

### b) **Suggestions for work to be undertaken**

It was noted that the Lengthsman is available for emergency call outs and problems are being experienced with drains at Becksides/Friars Ground/Bolton Ground. The Lengthsman to be asked to clear these drains.

## 16. Accounts

It was noted that all Councillors had received copies of any relevant documentation with regard to Accounts prior to the meeting.

- A financial statement for December 2020 was presented to the Council.
- The Clerks salary of £183.33 and expenses of £16.88 for January 2021 were approved.
- The payment of £45.80 to HMRC, being PAYE to 5<sup>th</sup> February 2021 was approved.
- The payment of £85.17 to EON for the period 1<sup>st</sup> October to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020 was agreed.
- A report was received from the Finance Sub Committee with regard to the Budget and Precept for 2021/22.
  - The proposed budget for 2021/22, as proposed by the Finance Sub Committee was approved by the Full Council
  - The proposed precept for 2021/22, as proposed by the Finance Sub Committee was approved by the Full Council
- A £100 donation, under Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972, to each of the 7 churches/and or hall was proposed and agreed by all Councillors. This is to assist with the upkeep/maintenance of the buildings during the recent lockdown.
- The application for a donation of £500 from Kirkby Community Centre was discussed. It was agreed that the donation should be as set out in 16(f), £100.
- The payment of £40.00 to each of the residents in relation to the Parish Council's yearly contribution to electricity streetlights was agreed. The resident of Modern will also be receive the payment for 2019/20, which had been held back as it what not known, at the time, who the cheque should be made payable to. This has now been confirmed.

## 17. Planning

### a) **Applications received:**

- SL/2020/0941 – Land to the West of A595, Dove Bank, Kirkby-in-Furness – Change of use of land & erection of single dwelling for holiday accommodation along with associated drainage & landscaping (re-submission of SL/2019/0998) – This was discussed. Concern was raised over the entrance to the site. It was agreed that support of this application could only be given if the alternative entrance, to the North, was used.

### b) **Planning Notifications**

- PN/2020/0064 – Land off A595 (School Road), Kirkby-in-Furness. General storage building for farm machinery and the storage of hay and straw – granted.

- ii. 7/2020/5813 – Knott End Farm, Grizebeck – conversion of barn into a holiday letting accommodation comprising of one two-bed and one three-bed properties, including lean-to and addition of new lean-to (following refusal of 7/2020/5515) – Granted
- c) **Planning Enforcement Issues**
  - i. Ginnyring Cottage, Grizebeck – No further update available.

## 18. Correspondence

The following correspondence had been received. Due to the current situation the correspondence pack will not be distributed.

- a) Letter from resident regarding gritter which had got stuck and caused damage to a property at Sandside – Cllr. McPherson had reported this to Highways, and Karen Dockery had attended the site and spoke to the resident.

## 19. Any Other Business

- **United Utilities** – There had been leak from a sewage drain at Marshside. This had been reported to United Utilities who attended and fixed this. However, Cllr. Todd had made a complaint as this continues to happen. United Utilities are to look into this matter.
- **Litter on the road** – A great deal of litter is on the A595 between Gargreave and the Barrow Town Council boundary. The Clerk to report this to SLDC.  
**Action: Clerk to report litter on Highway to SLDC**
- **Electric Charging Stations** – this item will be put on the Agenda for the next meeting. Cllr. Scott will prepare a report on this prior to the next meeting which will be forwarded to Councillors.  
**Action: Cllr. Scott to prepare a report on Electric Charging Stations**
- **Visitors to the Area** – It was reported that there had been Visitors to the area over the Christmas period, which was not allowed under the tier system. It was noted that Cllr. Wharton in his Newsletter had provided a number to call in this event.
- **Dog Fouling** – This continues to be a problem. A reminder is to be put in the Newsletter again.  
**Action: Cllr. Scott to put reminder about dog fouling in Newsletter**
- **Emergency Plan** – Cllr. Rhodes is now the Councillor responsible for the Emergency Plan.

## 20. Deferred Actions Review

Affordable Housing – Nothing to report.

Bus Shelter – Nothing to report.

Green sign on the A595 at Grizebeck – No update.

Grizebeck Hall signage – No update.

## 21. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on:-

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2021**

**Alison Field**  
Clerk to the Parish Council