

Kirkby Ireleth Parish Council

Chairman: Cllr. G. Grieve, Estuary Lodge, Askew Gate Brow, Kirkby-in-Furness, LA17 7TE

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held Remotely via Zoom on Thursday 6th May 2021

1. Apologies for Absence:

Cllr. M. Jackson,
District Councillors, I. Wharton, T. Coward (due to local elections)

Present:

Cllrs. M. McPherson (Outgoing Chair), M. Jackson, W. Todd, R. Saunders, G. Grieve (Incoming Chair),
M. Irving (part attendance), S. Rhodes, J. Byrne, R. Morrish
County Cllr. M. Brereton,
1 member of the public

2. Election of Chairman

The Clerk took control of the meeting for election of the Chairman. The Clerk asked for proposals for Chair. Cllr. McPherson proposed Cllr. Grieve for the position of Chair, this was seconded by Councillor Winstanley and agreed by all. Cllr. Grieve accepted the position and then Chaired the remainder of the meeting.

3. Election of Vice-Chair

Cllr. Grieve asked for proposals for Vice-Chair. Cllr. Byrne was proposed. This was seconded by Cllr. Winstanley and agreed by all. Cllr. Byrne accepted the position.

Declaration of Acceptance of Office will be signed by the Chair and Vice-chair.

4. Election of Representatives to other bodies and Committees

The Chairman proposed that this Agenda Item be dealt with under Item 14 on the Agenda – Statutory Requirements. This was agreed.

5. Requests for Dispensations

There were no requests for dispensations.

6. Declaration of Interests

None.

7. Chairman's Remarks

The Chairman thanked the outgoing Chairman, Cllr. McPherson for all his hard work during his term in Office. He said the Council owed a debt of gratitude to him that will never be able to be repaid. The Chairman also thanked the Clerk for all her work.

8. Reports from District and County Councillors

District Cllr. Wharton provided the following report:

Cllr. Brereton provided the following report:

Thanked Cllr. McPherson as outgoing Chairman.

Marshside Wall collapse – Cllr. Brereton confirmed he had received correspondence from the Parish Council regarding the road issue at Marshside and advised that he has forwarded this to Highways.

Broadband – BR4N – Cllr. Brereton informed that B4RN is progressing at a pace in Kirkby Ireleth Parish and explained this. He advised the cost of the monthly fee which is £30.00.

X7 bus route – Cllr. Brereton informed that this will be recommenced from the 21st June. It will be originating in Coniston and running on a Wednesdays and Fridays.

9. Open Forum

A member of the public, Mr. Mitchell, had attended the meeting to discuss B4RN. He informed that sufficient expression of interest from residents within the Parish needs to be lodged with B4RN for this to proceed within the area and asked for the Council's assistance with making the community aware of this. He informed that to-date 40 expression of interests have been shown but considerably more than this would need to be lodged for the project to go ahead. It was agreed to put this in the Newsletter.

Action: Cllr. McPherson to put B4RN in Parish Newsletter

10. Matters for Any Other Business

- Blocked drains Herschell Terrace
- Home Ghyll
- Post pandemic Event

11. Minutes of the previous meeting

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

12. Matters Arising from the previous meeting

- a) Cllr. Grieve has prepared a draft letter to SLDC regarding the withdrawal of 100% discount on council tax on unoccupied premises. This will be forwarded to District and County Councillors for their comments prior to be sent to SLDC.

Action: Clerk to forward draft letter to SLDC to District and County Councillors for comments. This will then be forwarded to SLDC

- b) Cllr. Grieve had emailed Cllr. Brereton details of the issue with the road subsidence at Marsh Side. As set out above Cllr. Brereton has forwarded this to Highways.
- c) The Clerk had not returned the Greening Campaign application form. This will be discussed at Agenda Item 15 (h).
- d) The Clerk had contacted the District Councillors regarding the Ginnyring planning enforcement issue. Cllr. Wharton had confirmed he will contact SLDC planning.
- e) The Clerk had written to SLDC enforcement with regard to the work carried out on Land off the A595 School Road, in relation to application PN/2020/0064.
- f) The Clerk had reported the need for road sweeping at High/Low Ghyll on SLDC portal.
- g) The Clerk had reported the faults on the portal.
- h) Cllr. Todd will provide the name of the tradesman to Cllr. Byrne who would be able to carry out work in relation to proposed car park at land adjacent to train station, in order to obtain a quote.

Action: Cllr. Todd to provide Cllr. Byrne with name of tradesman re work at land adjacent to the Station

- i) Cllr. Byrne has received a quote for the work from Tony Brown Aggregates Limited.
- j) The Clerk had provided Cllr. Rhodes with a list of training courses available. Cllr. Rhodes will email the Clerk with relevant date for Councillor Training.
- k) Cllr. Grieve had spoken with the Farmer regarding barbwire on footpath on School Road. The Farmer had pointed out that when they renewed the fence it was placed further back than the original fence, therefore barbwire is further away from the footpath than it was previously. Cllr. Byrne to report back to resident and suggest that if he wishes to take this further he should report it to Highways.

Action: Cllr. Byrne to report back to resident re barbwire on A595, School Road

13. Traffic, A595 & A5092 and Highways

a) A595/A5092 and Highways matters

- A5092 – Beanthwaite – blocked drains. There had been no update on this. Cllr. Saunders noted that the yellow paint around the drains, which highlights a problem, had been washed away.
- Potholes – Karen Dockery had informed Cllr. Byrne that patchwork on potholes around the Village is to be carried out.
- A595 – Speed problem – Cllr. McPherson reported that speeding is an increasing problem on School Road, in particular with lorries. This was discussed. It was agreed for the Clerk to write to the police regarding speeding.

Action: Clerk to write to police regarding speeding on School Road

- Speeding signs - Cllr. Brereton advised that he has been informed that funding has been committed for the speed signs in the Village but does not have an update as to when these will be fitted. He will chase this. Cllr. Brereton suggested that the Village could consider forming a Speed Action Group post covid measures.

Action: Cllr. Brereton to chase progress of placement of speeding signs in the Village

- Automatic Traffic Counters (tubes) - Cllr. Brereton to contact Highways and ask them to lay tubes in the Village.
- School Signs – Cllr. Brereton noted that the school signs were flashing again. He will inform Highways.

b) A595 Grizebeck By-pass

There is no update to report.

c) Hotline Reports

The following faults to be reported to Highways:

- Herschell Terrace – blocked drains

Action: Clerk to reports faults on the portal

d) Hotline Progress

None.

14. Parish Plan

a) Reports

No reports.

b) Actions

None

Election of Representatives to other bodies and Committees

The following were elected/re-elected to the following bodies and committees.

Parish Plan

- Burlington School – Cllr. McPherson
- Community Facility – Cllr. Irving
- Youth Activities – Cllr. Winstanley
- Highways – Cllrs. Saunders and Byrne
- Coastal/Land Flooding – Cllr. Rhodes

- Neighbourhood Watch – Cllr. Morrish
- Footpaths and Cycleways – Cllr. Winstanley
- N.G. Pylon Proposals – Cllr. Todd

Finance Sub Committee

Cllrs. McPherson, Byrne, Saunders, Morrish, Jackson, Todd and Grieve

15. Current Matters

a) **Flooding**

Nothing to report.

b) **Bridge at Marsh Garth**

Due to the difficulty of purchasing the correct size timber for the proposed bridge at Marsh Garth, one of the contractors has proposed an alternative. He suggests taking up existing slabs, widening the water course underneath to alleviate the risk of flooding, laying back down two of the original slabs, in alignment and fitting a handrail as an extra safety feature. The cost of this will be considerably less than the original proposal. Cllr. Grieve has contacted CCC with the new proposal who have no objection. It was agreed to go ahead with this proposal. The Clerk to contact Carol Last at CCC to see how this affects the grant that was awarded for the bridge. A letter is to be sent to Holker outlining new proposal and seeking their agreement.

Action: Cllr. Grieve to prepare a letter to Holker regarding new proposal for Bridge at Marsh Garth

Action: Clerk to contact Carol Last, CCC re grant for Marsh Garth Bridge

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

Nothing to report on this.

d) **Land Adjacent to the Railway Station**

Cllr. Byrne informed that a representative from Tony Brown Aggregates has offered to attend a site meeting with the Sub Committee to discuss work which will needed to be carried out and provide a quote. Cllr. Byrne to set up the meeting.

Action: Cllr. Byrne to set up site meeting with representative from Tony Brown Aggregates

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

No update on this.

f) **Storage Units**

Cllr. Grieve reported that he has a provisional meeting with a potential new contractor who will hopefully be able to carry out this work.

g) **Councillors Surgeries**

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

h) **SLDC Greening Campaign**

It was noted that Cllr. Scott was leading on this project for the Council but has resigned from the Council. The Clerk to forward the information on this to Cllr. Byrne and Cllr. Grieve for them to consider whether the Council can move forward with this.

Action: Clerk to forward information on SLDC Greening Campaign to Cllr. Byrne and Cllr. Grieve

i) **Underground storage of Nuclear Waste**

No update.

16. Statutory Requirements

None

17. CGP Kirkby Ireleth Parish Council Trust Fund

The following grants had been awarded:-

Kirkby Gala Committee - £843 for Marquee for Gala Day

Kirkby Community Centre - £300 for pump-track expenses

Kirkby community Centre - £2000 to move gas meter into new extension

18. Lengthsman

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

The Lengthsman was unable to start work in April 2021 due to bad weather.

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

No suggestions.

19. Accounts

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

a) A financial statement for April 2021 was presented to the Council.

b) The Clerks salary of £192.50 and expenses of £16.88 for May 2021 were approved.

c) The payment to HMRC of £48.20, being PAYE to 5th June 2021 was approved.

d) The Finance Sub-committee presented a report on the Annual Governance and Accountability Return and made a recommendation that the Full Council approved this.

i. The Full Council approved the Annual Governance Statement

ii. The Full Council approved the Accounting Statement.

e) The payment of £589.87 to Zurich, being the annual fee for in respect of insurance, was approved.

f) The payment of £300 to Mr. J. Metcalfe being the first payment for the cutting of the grass verges was approved.

g) The payment of £17.00 to CALC in respect of annual subscription for LCR was approved.

20. Planning

a) **Applications received:**

i. SL/2021/0379 – Ghyll End House, Little Guards, Kirkby-in-Furness – No objections or comments.

b) **Planning Notifications**

i. SL/2021/0091 – Ghyll Beck Farm, Chapels – Covered midden – permitted subject to compliance with conditions.

ii. SL/2020/0941 – Land adjacent to West of A595 – Dove Bank - refused.

c) **Planning Enforcement Issues**

i. It was noted that this had been covered under Agenda item 12 (d).

d) **Sub Committee Meeting**

Cllr. Grieve is in the process of arranging this meeting.

21. Correspondence

The following correspondence had been received. The correspondence pack is now to be distributed.

a) CAB Leaflet – this is to be put on the Parish noticeboard

b) Letter from Haverigg Prison – “litter-fitter” Requesting permission for litter picking in the area to be carried out by Haverigg Prison residents. This was agreed. The Clerk to inform the Prison that the Parish Council give their permission or this.

Action: Clerk to email the Prison with permission of Parish Council to litter picking to be carried out in the Parish

- c) CALC – Strategic Management Plan – 2020-25 – this will be put in the correspondence pack.
- d) Letter of Resignation from Cllr. Scott – This was read out to the Council. The Clerk to notify SLDC of vacancy.

Action: Clerk to notify SLDC of the vacancy for Councillor

- e) Letter from Highways England – regarding works on A590 at Cross-A-Moor, Swarthmoor – this is to be placed in the pack.
- f) Email from resident at Soutergate re greening campaign – The Clerk to email the resident back and inform that the Parish Council are in the early stages of considering the campaign and how/if they will be moving forward with this and recommend to resident that they may be best carrying out their own research into making the premises a more energy efficient property.

Action: The Clerk to reply to the resident at Soutergate re greening campaign

22. Any Other Business

- a) **Home Ghyll – Illegal Campers** - It was reported that illegal camping has been taking place at Home Ghyll. The Clerk to forward to Cllr. Saunders the Newsletter which was distributed by the National Park last year providing the number to call to report this issue.

Action: Clerk to forward Newsletter to Cllr. Saunders

- b) **Post Pandemic Events** – Cllr. Grieve informed that various Organisations around the Village are combing forces to arrange an event which would hopefully take place in August 2021. This event would be a Remembrance Event. This was discussed. The Parish Council agreed to offer their support to this event. Cllrs. Rhodes, Todd and Byrne are to be the Councils representatives for this.

It was noted that all other matters for any other business had been dealt with during the course of the meeting.

23. Deferred Actions Review

Affordable Housing – No update.

Bus Shelter – Nothing to report.

Green sign on the A595 at Grizebeck – No update. This is to be moved to Item 13(b) above for future agendas.

Grizebeck Hall signage – No update – this is to be moved to Item 13(b) above for future agendas.

24. Date of next Meeting

Thursday 17th June 2021 at Grizebeck Village Hall

Alison Field

Clerk to the Parish Council