

# 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 on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2022 at 7.00 pm at Grizebeck Community Centre, Grizebeck

### 1. Apologies for Absence (received in writing):

Cllr. A. Pye

County Councillor M. Brereton, District Cllrs. I. Wharton & T. Coward, H. Troughton

### Present:

Cllr. G. Grieve (Chairman), S. Rhodes, D. Wilson, M. Irving, W. Todd, D. Mackay, R. Saunders, I. Winstanley, J. Byrne, R. Bennett

4 members of the public

### 2. Requests for Dispensations

There were no requests for dispensations.

### 3. Declaration of Interests

Cllr. Irving Item 9(b)

### 4. Minutes from the previous meeting

The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved and signed.

### 5. Chairman's Remarks

The Chairman reminded Councillors that there is no meeting in September.

### 6. Open Forum

Three members of the public had attended with regard to the planting of trees at Merebeck which is obstructing the view for vehicles alighting the junction at Merebeck and therefore creating a safety hazard. This was discussed a length. Cllr. Byrne will raise this with Cllr. Brereton, as he is already aware of the issue. It will also be raised on HIMS and enquires made with SLDC Planning as to whether planning permission is needed to plant the trees.

### 7. Reports from District and County Councillors

#### *District Councillors*

Cllr. Wharton was not in attendance but had provided a written update:-

- Cllr. Wharton advised that South Lakes Housing should be contacted with regard to the request for parking signs on Burlington close.
- The Locality Officer at SLDC will be in touch with the Parish Council regarding additional dog bins.

#### *County Councillor*

Cllr. Brereton was not in attendance but had provided an update. He informed that vegetation and trees on the road up to Beanthwaite will be carried out as soon as possible from the end of August.

### 8. Matters Arising from the previous meeting

- a) Cllr. Greive had written a letter of thanks to the Kirkby-in-Furness Gala Committee for the organisation of the Gala.
- b) Cllr. Greive and written a letter of thanks to CGP for their support with the Jubilee Events.

- c) Cllr. Grieve had written a letter of thanks to David Anderson for all his hard work over the years with the Footpaths group.
- d) Cllr. Brereton was to chase Highways to carry out repainting of the white lines at Woodland Junction but was not in attendance at the meeting.
- e) Cllr. Byrne had contacted Helen Karaaslan about indents at side of road on A595 at Gargreave.
- f) The faults were reported on the portal.
- g) The Clerk had attended the virtual training session on HIMS – My Account.
- h) Cllr. Winstanley had inspected the gate at Soutergate car park to see what repair work was required. He advised that no repairs are required.
- i) Cllr. Todd had obtained quotes for a skip for vegetation waste.
- j) Cllr. Byrne and the Clerk are to assess benches for insurance purposes.
- k) Cllr. Greive was to provide information in the Newsletter and Community Speed Watch Scheme. There was no caller in July so this will be reported in the August edition of the Caller.
- l) Cllr. Grieve wrote to the History of Kirkby Group informing the Parish Council are in agreement to them repositioning the Parish Noticeboard adjacent to the Station.
- m) The Clerk had arranged the meeting between Holker, Cllr. Todd and Cllr. Irving regarding caravan deliveries to Longlands Caravan Park. This will be held on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2022.
- n) Cllrs. Todd and Irving will meet with the Holker representative, as set out at 8(m) above.
- o) The Clerk had contacted Districts Cllrs. for advice with regarding to resent parking signs. It was noted that Cllr. Wharton has responded as set out at Item 7 on the Agenda.
- p) Cllr. Byrne had replied to the resident who raised the issue of removal of the kissing gate on Footpath 5539056.
- q) Cllr. Grieve is to check who funds the fuel for the mower for the grass cutting.
- r) Cllr. Irving had carried out quarterly check of the accounts and reported all was in order.
- s) The Clerk had emailed Cllr. Bennett information on CIL.
- t) Cllr. Bennett had reviewed CIL expenditure requirements.
- u) Cllr. Greive will place the notice in the Newsletter regarding the flower beds outside at Marshside in the August edition.
- v) Cllr. Greive wrote a letter of thanks to the resident for maintaining the flowerbeds at Marshside. Village flowerbeds will be placed on the Agenda for the next meeting.
- w) Cllr. Greive is to make enquiries as to who maintains various flowerbeds around the Village.
- x) The Clerk had replied to the resident regarding the proposed placing of dog fouling bins and asked for their suggestions, but no response has been received to-date.
- y) Cllr. Bennett had reviewed the placement of dog fouling bins. This will be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.
- z) Cllr. Byrne had reported the overgrown hedges at Marshside to Highways.
- aa) Cllr. Greive will place a notice in the Newsletter reminding people to close gates on footpaths in the August edition.

## **9. Traffic, A595 & A5092 and Highways**

- a) **A595/A5092 and Highways matters**  
Cllr. Byrne reported the following:-

- Cllr. Byrne has received notification from Helen Karaaslan of Highways that someone from Highways is to inspect the sign, which is pointing the wrong way, on the A5092, near the quarry.
- Traffic Team South are to inspect the erosion on the side of the A595 at Gargreave.

Cllr. Saunders reported that the gully wagon was on site on the A5092 but did not carry out any work to the blocked drains.

**b) A595 Grizebeck Improvement Scheme**

Nothing to report.

**i. Green sign on the A595 at Grizebeck**

No update on this.

**ii. Milestones**

No update on this

**iii. Victorian Signposts**

No update on this

**c) Hotline Reports**

- Hedges set back from A5092 need cutting (opposite junction with Buckhorn Lane and A5092). Cllr. Wilson to ask the Lengthsman to look at this to see if this is work he is permitted to do. If not it will be reported on HIMS.

**d) Hotline Progress**

As reported by Cllrs. Byrne and Irving at Item 9 (a) on the Agenda.

**10. Parish Plan**

**a) Reports**

Footpaths – Cllr. Winstanley reported that Mr. Coward has improved the footpath between Soutergate and Dunnerholme. Appreciation of this was noted.

**b) Actions**

None

**c) Emergency Plan**

Consideration of Emergency Plan is in progress. Cllr. Rhodes will lead on this.

**11. Current Matters**

**a) Bridge at Marsh Garth**

Nothing to report.

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

Nothing to report.

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

Cllr. Todd reported that the cost of hiring a skip for the vegetation will be £264.00, from Sinkfall. He informed that this was the most competitive price. Cllr. Grieve will contact Probation to see when they can attend and the skip will then be ordered. Cllr. Rhodes will place a post on facebook informing Villagers when the work is to be carried out.

**Action: Cllr. Grieve to contact Probation to see when they can attend so skip can be ordered accordingly**

**Action: Cllr. Rhodes to place a post on facebook when dates for Probation to attend to carry out the work are known**

**d) Road/Wall subsidence – Marshside**

Cllr. Grieve reported that he is struggling to make progress with setting up a meeting with the Local Infrastructure Manager. The Clerk to contact Cllr. Brereton asking him to set up

meeting between the parties. It was also agreed to raise the issue of the wall with Simon Fell.

**Action: Clerk to contact Cllr. Brereton to ask him to set up a meeting between Local Infrastructure Manager, Cllr. Grieve and Cllr. Brereton**

**Action: Correspondence to be sent to Simon Fell regarding the issue of the subsidence of the wall at Marshside**

e) **Village Benches**

Cllr. Byrne and Clerk to assess benches for insurance purposes

f) **Flooding of the Mosses**

Nothing to report but as this matter is ongoing this item is to be kept on the Agenda.

g) **Website**

Cllr. Grieve informed that the new website should be up and running by the end of August.

h) **Development adjacent to the School**

Nothing to report.

i) **Deliveries of Caravans to Longlands Caravan Park**

Cllrs. Todd and Irving are to meet with Alex Hodgson, Commercial Manager of Holker Estate Holidays Parks on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> August, to discuss the transportation of caravans to the park.

j) **Residents Parking – Burlington Close**

k) **NALC – Short Term Holiday Lets Consultation**

Cllr. Grieve went through the questions set out by NALC on the above consultation and answers were agreed.

**Action: answers to consultation by NALC to be submitted to NALC**

l) **Speeding at Beckside**

The Clerk had written to PCSO Harris regarding speeding at Beckside and the possibility of introducing community speed watch to the area. PCSO had informed that 12 volunteers are needed and, ideally, also a Police volunteer Speed Watch Coordinator. He had informed that the lasers cost around £5000 and need recalibrating each year. There is no funding available from PCC for these. He informed that the sites were volunteers stand need to be risk assessed, which he had suggested may be an issue on Lady Moria incline. His response was discussed. The information is to be placed in the Newsletter to see if there is any public interest in setting up a group.

**Action: Cllr. Grieve to provide information in Newsletter about Community Speed Watch Scheme**

12. **Statutory Requirements**

a) **Dates of Meetings**

The dates and venues for Parish Council Meetings for the next 12 months was set.

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

The Trust Fund had awarded the following grants at their meeting held on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2022:-

- St Cuthberts Church - £660.00 for the cost of a new mower for the Church yard.
- Grizebeck Village Hall - £1,500 to repair areas of stain on wooden panels.
- £750.00 to the Kirkby Floral and Horticultural Society for new lightweight tables

14. **Lengthsman**

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

A595 – Grizebeck to Soutergate – cutting back of hedges on path with strimmer and hedge cutter.

Kirkby Church – digging out of drain by the Church and cleaning five drain covers in the vicinity.

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

All work for the Lengthsman to be reported to Cllr. Wilson who will co-ordinate with the Lengthsman.

15. **Accounts**

- a) The financial statement for July 2022 was placed in the correspondence pack for distribution.
- b) The Clerks salary of £200.00 and expenses of £42.26 for August 2022 were approved.
- c) The payment to HMRC of £50.00, being PAYE to 5<sup>th</sup> September 2022 was approved.
- d) The Clerks salary of £200.00 and expenses of £16.88 for September 2022 were approved.
- e) The payment to HMRC of £50.00, being PAYE to 5<sup>th</sup> October 2022 was approved.
- f) The payment of £24.00 to Grizebeck Community Centre for the hire of the hall for the meeting was approved.
- g) The payment of £100.00 to the Lengthsman in respect of his invoice for July 2022 was approved.
- h) Quarterly checks on the accounts – Cllr. Irving had carried out the quarterly check on the accounts and reported that all was in order.
- i) **Community Infrastructure Levy payments** – Cllr. Bennett had prepared a report setting out what CIL can be spent on, this will be placed in the pack. The Clerk is to email Cllr. Bennett details of the contact for CIL at SLDC.  
*Action: Clerk to email Cllr. Bennett SLDC contact details*
- j) **A pay increase for the cutting of the grass verges** – This was suggested in light of the increasing fuel costs. However, firstly need to ascertain who pays for the fuel. Cllr. Todd will contact Mr. Metcalfe to clarify who pays for the petrol for the lawnmower.  
*Action: Cllr. Todd to contact Mr. Metcalfe to clarify who pays for the fuel for the lawnmower*
- k) **Cheque Signatories** – This was raised at the last meeting due to the need to add more signatories to ensure there is always enough authorised Councillors present at meetings to sign cheques. Cllr. Rhodes proposed Cllr. Mackay be added to the cheque signatories. This was seconded by Cllr. Grieve and agreed by all.
- l) Cllr. Grieve proposed the Clerk be added to the Bank Account as an authorised person in order that she is able to deal with the bank over any enquires. The Clerk would not be a signatory. This was seconded by Cllr. Byrne and agreed by all.

16. **Planning**

- a) **Applications received**
  - i. 7/2022/5509 – Latter Rigg Moss, Thornthwaite, Woodland, Broughton-in-Furness – Restoration works to lowland raised bog to repair historic damage to peat across the site – This was discussed. Commented to be submitted is that if the work has already been carried out the application should be a retrospective application.
- b) **Planning Notifications**
  - i. SL/2022/0453 – Land off A595 School Road, Kirkby-in-Furness – Refused.
- c) **Planning Enforcement Issues**
  - i. **Land off A595 School Road**  
Nothing to report.
  - ii. **Beanthwaite Barn**  
Nothing to report.
  - iii. **Stone Arthur**

Nothing to report.

**17. Correspondence**

The following response was received and will be placed in the pack:-

- a) CALC – Grants for Older People in the Community
- b) CCC Countryside Access Officer – Legal Event Modification Order No. 1 – 1 April 2009 to 1 April 2019
- c) Simon Fell – Summer Surgery Tour

**18. Parish Councillors Reports**

**Cllr. Winstanley** – Raised the increase in the Lengthsmans hourly rate, which he reported was 45%. It was noted that the Lengthsman is not an employee, he is self-employed and therefore the Parish Council cannot dictate his hourly fee. However, the budget is set for the Lengthsman so it will mean that he will be doing less hours.

**Cllr. Irving** – Informed that the annual Tractor Run is taking place on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2022.

**19. Deferred Actions Review**

- a) Affordable Housing – Nothing to report.

**20. Date of next Meeting**

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at The Methodist Church, Marshside**

**Alison Field - Clerk of Kirkby Ireleth Parish Council**