

Kirkby Ireleth Parish Council

CHAIRMAN: Mr. G. Grieve, Ivy Cottage, Wall End, Kirkby-in-Furness, LA17 7UJ

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 19th January 2023 at The Community Centre, Becksie

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

Cllrs. J. Byrne, R. Bennett, A. Pye
County Cllr. Brereton

Present:

Cllr. G. Grieve (Chairman), M. Irving, W. Todd, R. Saunders, D. Wilson, S. Rhodes, D. Mackay
2 members of the public

2. **Requests for Dispensations**

There were no requests for dispensations.

3. **Declaration of Interests**

Cllr. Irving Item 9(b)
Cllr. Todd Item 16(a) (ii)

4. **Minutes from the previous meeting**

The minutes of the last meeting were approved and signed.

5. **Chairman's Remarks**

The Chairman wished all Councillors Best Wishes for the New Year. He proposed that Item 16(a) (i) Planning Application SL/2022/1143 be brought forward on the Agenda to after Item 5, Chairman's Remarks. This was agreed.

16. **Planning**

a) Applications received

- i. SL/2022/1143 – Sturdy Bank, Grizebeck, Kirkby-in-Furness – Creation of new access onto the A5092 (retrospective). – Two members of the public addressed the meeting with regard to this application. The Councillors then discussed the application. It was agreed that a response of no objection and no comments would be submitted to SLDC.

6. **Open Forum**

No representations received.

7. **Reports from District and County Councillors**

County Councillor

A report had been received from Cllr. Brereton. He informed that he has chased all matters for the Parish Council which he is currently dealing with. He also advised that he has submitted his objection to the planning application regarding Stone Arthur, School Road.

8. **Matters Arising from the previous meeting**

- a) The Clerk had emailed Cllr. Wharton and advised what was discussed at the last meeting with regard to the planning application in respect of Stone Arthur.

- b) The Clerk had contacted Cllr. Wharton asking the route of the refuse collection for the dog fouling bins. No response has been received to-date.
- c) Cllr. Grive had contacted residents at Soutergate regarding the contribution for the Parish Council to remove the light on their property.
- d) The Clerk is in the process of reviewing the Lake District National Park planning notice with regard to the portacabin at School House, Grizebeck.
- e) The Clerk had submitted the report to SLDC on the spending of CIL.
- f) The Clerk had booked the Community hall and sent an email to all members of the Finance Sub Committee confirming the date and time of the meeting.

9. Traffic, A595 & A5092 and Highways

- a) **A595/A5092 and Highways matters**
Nothing to report.
- b) **A595 Grizebeck Improvement Scheme**
 - 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**
 - Gritting of roads – This was reported as being very poor during the recent icy weather. This will be raised with Cllr. Brereton.
Action: Clerk to contact Cllr. Brereton with regard to gritting of roads
 - Becksides - pot holes
 - Longlands – road to caravan park – pot holes
- d) **Hotline Progress**
Cllr. Irving reported that the Caravan that had been abandoned at Dove Bank has now been removed

10. Parish Plan

- a) **Reports**
None. It was agreed to remove Youth Activities from the Parish Plan Groups. It was also noted that following the retirement of Ian Winstanley from the Council, a volunteer is needed to liaise with the Footpath Group. This will be put on the agenda for the next meeting.
- b) **Actions**
None
- c) **Elect Councillor – Footpath Group**
- d) There were no volunteers for this position.
- e) **To nominate a Councillor to prepare the Newsletter**
There were no volunteers for this.
Action: Clerk to send an email to all Councillors asking for volunteers for the Footpath Group and to prepare the Newsletter
- f) **Emergency Plan**
Consideration of Emergency Plan is in progress. Cllr. Rhodes will lead on this.

11. Current Matters

a) **Local Flooding Matters**

Nothing to report. It was agreed to take this item off the Agenda. It was noted that this can easily be added to an Agenda if an issue arises.

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

Nothing to report. It was agreed to take this off the Agenda.

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

Cllr. Grieve reported that the Probation Service are continuing with this work and doing a good job.

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

Nothing to report.

e) **Village Benches**

Cllr. Byrne and Clerk are to assess ownership of benches around the Village

f) **Website**

Cllr. Grieve informed that there has been progress with this and hopefully this will be up and running in the near future.

g) **Development adjacent to the School**

Nothing to report.

h) **Dog Fouling Bins**

It was noted that this was reported on at Item (b) on the Agenda.

i) **St. Cuthberts Graveyard – water issue**

Cllr. Bennett had prepared a report for the meeting he had advised that Cllr. Byrne and himself are hoping to meet with Linda Dean shortly.

j) **Potential power outages**

Nothing to report. – It was agreed to remove this from the Agenda.

k) **Portacabin, School House, Grizebeck**

It was noted that this had been dealt with under Item 8 (d) on the Agenda.

l) **Grit Bins**

Grit bins from the Community Centre at Beckside to High Ghyll need refilling. Cllr. Todd reported that he has on numerous occasions contacted CCC with regard to this and yet they have still not been refilled which has caused serious health and safety issues during the latest cold weather. The Clerk advised that she has reported all these bins on the Highways portal within the last few days. It was agreed to raise this issue with Cllr. Brereton.

Action: Clerk to contact Cllr. Brereton with regard to grit bins not being refilled.

m) **Traffic calming measures – Soutergate**

It was noted that Cllr. Byrne, who was not in attendance at the meeting, is dealing with this issue.

n) **Debris on Estuary – Network Rail**

Cllr. Bennett had advised in his report, as referred to above, that the debris on the Estuary, next to the railway line, has not yet been removed. He will chase progress on this with Network rail.

Action: Cllr. Bennett to contact Network rail to chase progress with the removal of debris on the Estuary

o) **Lights on Residents Properties**

The residents of a property at Soutergate had accepted the donation of £100 made by the Parish Council, in relation to removal of the light on their property. This has since been removed and an invoice submitted to the Parish Council in respect of this. It was noted that this is on the Agenda at Item 15(h) for approval.

12. Statutory Requirements

- a) It was noted that there had been no interest shown in the vacancy, arising from the resignation of Ian Winstanley. The Clerk to post vacancy on Parish Council noticeboard.

13. CGP Kirkby Ireleth Parish Council Trust Fund

- a) **Report**
Nothing to report.

14. Lengthsman

- a) **Receive a report of work undertaken**
Cllr. Grieve reported that the Lengthsman had carried out some emergency work clearing drains at Beckside
- b) **Suggestions for work to be undertaken**
None.

15. Accounts

- a) The financial statement for December 2022 was placed in the correspondence pack for distribution.
- b) The Clerks salary of £200.00 and expenses of £16.88 for January 2023 were approved.
- c) The payment to HMRC of £50.00, being PAYE to 5th February 2023 was approved.
- d) The payment to Grizebeck Community Centre for the hire of the hall for the meeting was approved.
- e) A report was received from the Finance Subcommittee with regard to the proposed Budget and the Precept for the financial year 2023/24. It was noted that it is proposed to increase the Precept by £100.
 - i. The proposed budget for 2023/24, as agreed by the Finance Subcommittee was presented to the full meeting. A proposal to accept the budget was received and this was seconded and agreed by all.
 - ii. The proposed precept for 2023/24, as agreed by the Finance Subcommittee was presented to the full meeting. A proposal to accept the precept was received and this was seconded and agreed by all.
- f) The payment of £40.00 to each of the residents in relation to the Parish Council's yearly contribution to electricity streetlights was agreed.
- g) The payment of £86.07 to Npower for electricity for the period 1st October 2022 to 31st December 2022 was approved. It was noted that this quarterly bill was actually £131.31 but a Government Grant of £49.34 had been deducted from this sum.
- h) The payment of £77.70 to residents at Soutergate for removal of the light on their property, was agreed.
- i) **Community Infrastructure Levy payments** – Nothing to report.
- j) Quarterly Check of the Accounts – Cllr. Irving to carry out the quarterly check of the accounts.

16. Planning

- a) **Applications Received**
 - ii. CU/2022/0011 – Low Ghyll Barn, Low Ghyll Farm, Kirkby-in-Furness – Application to determine if prior approval is required for change of use of an agricultural building to a dwelling (Use Class C3) – Due to a personal interest Cllr. Todd left the meeting whilst this application was discussed – There were no objections or comments with regard to this application. This response will be submitted to SLDC.

- iii. SL/2023/0001 – Single storey rear extension replacing existing conservatory and single storey port to front replacing existing porch. There were no objections or comments with regard to this application. This response will be submitted to SLDC.

b) Planning Notifications

- ii. SL/2022/0990 – Oakfield House, Grizebeck, Kirkby-in-Furness – Change of Use of land from paddock to garden (retrospective) – Granted with conditions.
- iii. SL/2022/0548 – Buckhorn, Grizebeck, Kirkby-in-Furness – Replacement of the roof and conversion of attic to incorporate 4 dormer windows, and two velux windows. Also enclosing the port area by the front door – This application was withdrawn.

c) Planning Enforcement Issues

- i. **Land off A595 School Road**
Nothing to report.
- ii. **Beanthwaite Barn**
Nothing to report.

17. Correspondence

The following correspondence was received:-

- a) Clerks and Councils Direct – this was placed in the correspondence pack.
- b) Letter from Kirkby-in-Furness Community Centre – Playground – CIL funding. It was agreed that this letter should be passed to Cllr. Bennett for him to ascertain whether or not CIL money could be used for this. This will be placed on the agenda to discuss at the next meeting.
Action: Clerk to forward letter from Community Centre to Cllr. Bennett and advise the Community Centre that this will be on the Agenda for the next meeting
- c) Friends of the X112 – Bus update – this was placed in the correspondence pack.
- d) Letter from SLDC – Ginnyring Cottage – a letter had been received from SLDC advising that they would no longer be pursuing enforcement in relation to this matter as it was not financially viable to do so. It was noted that some of the work which was subject to the enforcement has been corrected.

18. Parish Councillors Reports

Cllr. Irving raised a safety issue with parking behind the School in Burlington Close, at School collection times, due to the amount of vehicles. This was discussed.

19. Deferred Actions Review

- a) Affordable Housing – Nothing to report.

20. Date of next Meeting

Thursday 16th February 2023 at the Methodist Church, Marshside

Alison Field - Clerk of Kirkby Ireleth Parish Council