

Kirkby Ireleth Parish Council Newsletter, June 2023

CHAIR: Mr. G. Grieve VICE CHAIR: Mrs. J Byrne

PLANNING

The following planning application was considered:

- Received: SL/2023/0424 – Erection of a feed and machinery store on field to the west of Ghyll End House, Kirkby. No objection from the PC.

PARISH LENGTHSMAN

The Lengthsman had completed some preservative work on the bus shelter at Chapels, and some general maintenance work around Marshside and the lower moor road area of Beckside.

GENERAL MATTERS

- Residents had raised concerns about speeding in the village, particularly around Four Lane Ends. Various mitigations are under consideration.
- An opportunity for the Parish Council to be gifted some land in Chapels to use for recreational purposes was being considered.
- It was agreed that several parts of pathways on the Mosses were in disrepair. Cllr Brereton noted that Natural England had just rectified some problematic places with the laying of slate chippings.
- Efforts to increase the number of dog waste bins in the village continues.

CITIZEN'S ADVICE - SCAMS

Sadly, scamming is becoming increasingly commonplace with criminals making use of computers to remotely advertise fake or non-existent items for 'purchase'. An example of a common scam, and what you can do about it, is as follows:

"I bought a car costing £3,325 via an online marketplace. I hadn't seen any negative reviews about the company, so I just thought it was fine and transferred the money. But the car never arrived, and then I saw it re-advertised in different

places. I tried to contact the company, but they've changed all their numbers and email addresses. What can I do?"

Anyone can be targeted by a scam and sadly anyone can fall for one. Talk to your bank or card company immediately to see if you can stop or recover the payment. Report the scam to Action Fraud on 0300 123 204. You can also contact the Citizens Advice Consumer Service for help with what to do next. Citizens Advice Consumer Service received over 9,000 reports of scams between January to April 2023. The charity is urging more people to report scams to help protect others from falling victim. As scammers get ever more sophisticated it's more important than ever that we all work together to raise awareness, report scams and share our experiences to help protect ourselves from their tricks.

The most common scams faced by the public so far this year are malicious parcel delivery messages with scammers attempting to get hold of personal information or bank details. Several of the most frequently encountered forms of scams involve quite sophisticated impersonation of official organisations.

It is important to keep alert to signs of a scam. These include offers that seem too good to be true, like a holiday that's much cheaper than you'd expect, or pressure to send money quickly, or in an unusual way – like by an iTunes voucher or a transfer service. Other clues are if you are asked to give away personal information such as passwords, PINs or verification codes - a reputable organisation will never ask for these things. Always step back and double check. If there is any hint that the organisation or person you are dealing with isn't genuine, such as a suspicious email address, don't part with any money or information.

Free, confidential advice and help is available from South Lakes Citizens Advice on any aspect of debt, consumer problems, benefits, housing, employment or any other problems. South Lakes Citizens Advice, your local charity, is here for you. How to access:

- Call 015394 46464 - this is being staffed from 9:30 – 2pm
- Adviceline: 0808 2787 984

STAYING SAFE IN WARM WEATHER

With the recent extended warm period, we are reminded of the hazards of failing to take adequate precautions to safeguard ourselves, particularly the most vulnerable among us. Tips for dealing with hot weather:

Keep out of the heat if you can. If you must go outside, stay in the shade especially between 11am and 3pm, wear sunscreen, hat and light clothes, and avoid exercise or activity that makes you hotter.

Cool yourself down. Have cold food and drinks, avoid alcohol, caffeine, and hot drinks, and have a cool shower or put cool water on your skin or clothes.

Keep your living space cool. Close windows during the day and open them at night when the temperature outside has gone down. Electric fans can help if the temperature is below 35 degrees. Check the temperature of rooms, especially where people at higher risk live and sleep.

CGP PARISH COUNCIL TRUST FUND

The following CGP grants were voted on and approved:

The D Anderson Memorial Gala Evening Event	£1000
Kirkby & District Floral & Horticultural Society (new tables)	£2000
Kirkby Tapestry	£450

For grant application forms, for qualifying groups, organisations and individuals please contact Gary Grieve on 07789486757 or email gary@kirkbyirelethPC.org.uk. Alternatively, details can be found at www.kirkby-in-furness.org.

COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY

The Parish Council agreed to ringfence £15000 of Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) funds to contribute towards the replacement of playground equipment next to the Community Centre in Beckside. This will be reviewed in 3 months.

Residents are invited to submit grant requests for projects that meet CIL criteria.

REPORTING HIGHWAYS DEFECTS

Residents are encouraged to report road-related faults directly using the Highways Integrated Management System (HIMS). If you visit the Westmorland & Furness website at www.westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk, select Roads, Travel, Parking from the left-hand column then Report a Highways problem or raise a Highways enquiry. Once you have raised your enquiry you can enter contact details to be updated on the status of the rectification.

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**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL IS ON
THURSDAY 20TH JULY 2023 AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE,
BECKSIDE**



ALL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND