Kirkby Ireleth Parish Council Newsletter, November 2023

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

PLANNING

The following planning applications were considered:

Applications received

CU/2023/00111 – Moorland Stores and Post Office, School Road – Application to determine if prior approval is required for a proposed change of use from redundant shop and post office two ground floor flats. *Treated as planning, not supported.*

SL/2023/0183 – Erection of three dwellings and associated works. *Not supported.*

Planning Notifications

SL/2023/0251 – Magnolia House, School Road – Removal of existing outbuilding and construction of new domestic garage, storage and gymnasium. *Granted with conditions.*

SL/2023/0635 – Guards Farm, Kirkby-in-Furness – Change of use of land for the siting of two shepherds' huts. *Refused*.

SL/2023/0694 – Land East of Herschell Terrace, School Road - Erection of detached self-build dwelling house. *Refused.*

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.

SOUTERGATE CAR PARK

Although provided by the Parish Council, the car park is upon ground that is leased, and we have strict criteria that we must comply with. Several requests have been made by others wishing to storage vehicles and other items within the car park on a long-term basis – all of which have been turned down by the Parish Council as I am sure you will understand to allow long term storage of vehicles would impact on the purpose of the car park which is to provide short term vehicle parking and day to day use. Letters will soon be sent to owners of vehicles found to be misusing the car park.

PARISH LENGTHSMAN

The Lengthsman completed the following work over the reporting period:

- Repaired the damage fence at Soutergate car park.
- Repaired a damaged fence and wooden planter at Grizebeck.
- Painted the Victorian road sign and cut back foliage on areas of A595.
- Fitted 3 new posts in Soutergate.

DOG WASTE BINS

The Parish Council has been in communication with Westmoreland and Furness Council regarding the potential installation of additional dog waste bins throughout the village. Regrettably, several factors have contributed to the decision not to pursue this idea. These factors include the high costs associated with installation and ongoing maintenance, as well as the concern that the bins may not be emptied by the collection teams due to the classification of dog waste as hazardous material, which necessitates its combination with regular waste.

The issue of uncollected dog waste persists within the village. We kindly remind dog owners that failing to clean up after their pets may result in a fixed penalty fine under the Public Space Protection Order. For further information, please refer to the following link: https://www.westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk/public-space-protection-order-pspo

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

The Kirkby Branch Annual General Meeting will be held at 7pm on Thursday 7th December 2023 at the Community Centre, Beckside. All members, as well as non-members interested in joining, are welcome to attend. Decisions will need to be taken regarding the management of the branch and officer positions such as Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary and Treasurer.

CITIZEN'S ADVICE - HINTS ON SAFE ONLINE SHOPPING

Online shopping can be convenient and save you time — but whether you're shopping for your loved one's presents, treating yourself, or just looking for essentials, make sure you take steps to protect yourself. Here are our top tips to avoid scams and help you shop online safely:

1. **Does it seem too good to be true?** If it seems too good to be true — it probably is. This is especially true for products which are 'must-haves' or are sold out in major retailers. It may seem like the perfect present, but you might end up with nothing. Be wary of sites offering big discounts, and ensure that you're buying from the retailer's official website so that you know it's a genuine product. You can find out if a company is registered by searching their details on gov.uk. Sole traders (someone who runs their own business) and partnerships (where two or more people run a business together) don't need to register with gov.uk, so you'll need to do further research on their site to make sure they're a genuine seller.

2. **Check you're buying from a trustworthy retailer**. Do some background research into the company. Start with an internet search about the retailer and have a look at their official website. Make sure you find their return and refund policies so you can understand your rights if something goes wrong with your purchase. Find out how they can be contacted, where in the world they're based and whether they're part of a consumer protection scheme. Seeing what others say about the retailer can help you find out if it's a legitimate seller or not. But remember to look into reviews on other websites too, not just their official website.

3. **How do they want you to pay?** Be cautious when a seller asks you to pay by an unusual means such as in iTunes vouchers, crypto currency or via bank transfer. These are harder to track and lack the vital protections that you get when paying by debit or with credit card or by a third party app such as PayPal. Whichever way you pay, make sure you check the terms and conditions to understand what you're paying for.

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

email advice via our submission page on our website
www.southlakescab.org.uk
Help to Claim (Universal Support): 0800 144 8 444

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.

Visit the Parish Council Website at https://kirkbyirelethpc.org.uk/

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THE NEXT MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL IS ON THURSDAY 21st DECEMBER 2023 AT GRIZEBECK VILLAGE HALL

ALL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND