

Kirkby Ireleth Parish Council

Chairman: Cllr. M. McPherson, 1 Combe Crescent, Kirkby-in-Furness, Cumbria

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

Held on Thursday 21st March 2019 at Beckside Rooms, Beckside

1. Apologies for Absence:

Present:

M. McPherson, (Chairman) M. Irving, R. Morrish, G. Grieve, M. Jackson, I. Winstanley, W. Todd
District Cllr. M. Brereton
4 Members of the Public

Apologies:

Cllrs. B. Copley, R. Saunders, J. Byrne

2. Requests for Dispensations

There were no requests for dispensations.

3. Declaration of Interests

There were no declarations of interests.

4. Chairman's Remarks

The Chairman read out a card which had been received from Mr. and Mrs. Wayles thanking the Council Members for the hamper which had been presented to them upon Mr. Wayles retirement from the Parish Council.

5. Open Forum

Four Residents from Grizebeck had attended the meeting to discuss the proposed A595 by-pass at Grizebeck. They explained that they are not in favour of the route chosen by CCC and feel that the handling of the consultation by CCC was inadequate. They reported that other Residents in the Village are of the same opinion. This issue was discussed at great length. Following the discussion the Chairman advised that the Parish Council support the Grizebeck Community in ensuring that the local community are kept informed and involved with this process.

6. Matters for Any Other Business

Lake District National Park – Southern Boundary

7. Minutes of the previous meeting

The Minutes of the previous Meeting were approved and signed.

8. Matters Arising from the previous meeting

- a) The Clerk had prepared a letter to Burlington Slate Ltd re footpath 539507. This will now be forwarded to them.

Clerk to forward the letter regarding footpath 539507 to Burlington Slate Ltd

- b) Cllr. Grieve contacted Geoff Fewkes regarding the Soutergate to Beckside footpath. He awaits a response.
- c) Clerk contacted Mr. Casson of Network rail regarding the erection of an Estuary warning sign on the gate leading onto the Marsh at the Station. Mr. Casson had confirmed his agreement to the erection of a sign on that gate.

- d) Cllr. Morrish reported that he was in the process of devising a criteria for Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinators.
Action: Cllr. Morrish to prepare criteria for Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinators
- e) Cllr. Brereton to continue chasing the payment of the grant in respect of the Churchyard.
Action: Cllr. Brereton to chase payment of the grant in respect of the Churchyard
- f) Cllr. McPherson contacted Georgina Hurley of Holker Estates regarding the siting of the storage unit at Chapels. Cllr. Grieve and himself will meet with her on the 22nd March 2019. Cllr. McPherson reported that Holker have approved the siting of the memorial seat at Soutergate car park.
- g) The Clerk had forwarded Georgina Hurley's contact details to Cllr. Grieve.
- h) The Clerk will try to source a cheaper electricity provider.
Action: Clerk to try to source a cheaper electricity provider
- i) Cllr. Byrne to research the Cumbria Rail Users Group. As Cllr. Byrne was not in attendance at the meeting so this item will be carried forwarded to the next meeting.
Action: Cllr. Byrne to research the Cumbria Rail Users Group
- j) Clerk had reported the defects on the portal.
- k) Cllr. Winstanley advised that the Youth Club is no longer running due to bureaucracy that is involved in running it.
- l) Cllr. Brereton reported that the replacement of the grit bin at Burlington Close is still in hand.
- m) Cllr. Winstanley had contacted SLDC regarding litter picking. This was discussed at some length. It was agreed to reconsider this after Easter. The Clerk is to contact Mr. O'Neill of SLDC to see if a bin can be placed at Muirlands layby.
Action: Clerk to contact Mr. O'Neill at SLDC regarding the placing of a bin at Muirlands layby
- n) Cllr. Winstanley had not contacted the School about litter picking as he had been advised by SLDC that it was not advisable to as the litter picking would be near a highway.
- o) The Clerk is still to report the problems being experienced with the stream at Beanthwaite to the Quarry.
Action: Clerk to report the problems being experienced with the stream at Beanthwaite to the Quarry

9. Police, Traffic, A595 & Highways

a) Police Report

A police report had been received from Debbie Ross, PCSO which was read out by the Chairman.

b) A595/A5092 matters

It was noted that matters regarding A595/A5092 had been reported under other items on the agenda.

c) Hotline Reports

The Clerk is to report the following faults on the portal:-

- Blockage in the drain on A595 by the old police house
- Pothole at drain opposite School
- Drain outside the School is blocked

Action: Clerk to report the defects on the CCC portal

d) Hotline Progress

Notifications had been received from CCC stating the following defects had been fixed:

- Drains on A5092
- School Road - pothole
- Bank End Lane – potholes

Cllr. Brereton reported that a resident from Chapels had contacted CCC requesting speed reduction and restricted width signs. Cllr. Brerton advised he will be in contact with the resident.

10. Parish Plan/Community Led Plan

a) Reports

Kirkby-in-Furness Community Centre

It was reported that the building work is progressing well. The work is to be carried out in three stages. The first stage will be completed by the end of April. There will then be a break in the building work in order that the Community Centre can be used for the various events that it hosts throughout the Summer. The work will then recommence in September/October 2019 with the second and third stages.

b) Actions

No actions reported.

11. Current Matters

a) Speed Measurement Apparatus on A595

It was noted that the report on the speeding apparatus had been received and this item can be removed from the agenda. However, the problem of vehicles speeding through the Village remains and it was noted that the police mobile camera unit had not recently visited the Village. The Clerk to write to the Commissioner of Police, Peter McCall, highlighting the problem and requesting the mobile unit attend on a regular basis at various locations throughout the Village and not the same one each time.

Action: Clerk to write to Peter McCall regarding the police mobile camera unit

b) Flooding

There was nothing to report under flooding.

c) Footpath Soutergate to Beckside

It is expected that the decision by CCC to divert the path will be made soon.

d) Counsel website and email addresses

This is still being explored.

e) Green sign on the A595 at Grizebeck

Cllr. Byrne had agreed to raise this with Highways. However, Cllr. Byrne was not in attendance at the meeting.

Action: Cllr. Byrne to raise the issue of a Green sign on the A595 at Grizebeck with Highways

f) Bridge at Marsh Garth

There was no further update on this matter.

g) Grit Bin – Burlington Close

This had already been discussed at Item 8(l) on the agenda.

h) Holker – siting of memorial seat at Soutergate and Storage Unit at Chapels

This had been reported on at Item 8(f) on the agenda.

i) Damage to grass verge at Grizebeck

There still has been no response from Ramage Distribution.

j) Duddon Estuary Safety signs

The Clerk will now order the safety signs and then contact Mr. Casson with regard to erecting them.

Action: Clerk to order the safety signs

12. Statutory Requirements

It was noted that Parish Elections will take place on 2nd May 2019. The Clerk had attended a briefing held by SLDC. Nominations packs were given to all Councillors. Once completed these are to be

returned to the Clerk who will hand deliver them to the SLDC offices in Kendal. The Clerk reported that notice of the elections has been posted on all the Parish boards.

13. CGP Kirkby Ireleth Parish Council Trust Fund

The following grants had been awarded at the March meeting:

- Kirkby Community Centre - £2,500 for re-positioning of power supplies to the Centre
- Kirkby Methodist Church - £1,000 for the upgrading of electrical supply
- Church of Christ - £1,000 for electrical work in the upstairs room
- St. Cuthberts PCC - £477.00 to complete the funding for the clock renovation.
- St. Cuthberts PCC - £181.47 for the maintenance of the ride on mower
- Community Centre/St. Cuthberts PCC - £163.00 for printing of raffle tickets for the combined Spring Raffle
- Kirkby Footpath and Cycleways - £122.58 for insurance

14. Accounts

- a) A financial statement for the month of February 2019 was presented and approved by the Council for distribution.
- b) The Clerks salary of £150.00 and expenses of £16.88 for the month of March 2019 were approved.
- c) The payment of £37.40 to HMRC, being PAYE to 5th April 2019, was approved.
- d) The payment of £102.50 for the cost of the hire of Becksides Rooms from April 2018 to March 2019 was approved.
- e) The payment of £29.06 to Holker Estates for the annual rental charge of Soutergate car park was approved. It was noted however, that the invoice in relation to this has not yet been received, which is unusual. If the invoice is received and the cost of the rent exceeds £29.06, the Clerk will seek approval from the Parish Councillors at the next meeting.
- f) The payment of £24.75 to the Clerk being the cost of travelling expenses to Kendal to attend the Clerks Briefing on the Parish Election was approved.
- g) The Finance Sub Committee will meet at 6.30 pm on Thursday 18th April to review the annual Statement of Accounts for audit purposes
- h) Cllr. Grieve made a proposal to employ a Lengthsman at a cost of £1000 for the financial year 2018/19. This was seconded by Cllr. Winstanley and agreed by all. A sub-group was set up to meet with the Lengthsman, Archie Workman, to discuss the work he is to carry out.
- i) The payment of £40.00 to ICO being the Data protection fee for 2019/2020 was approved.
- j) The payment of £10 for FLAG membership was approved.

15. Planning

a) Applications received:

- SL2019/0210 – Land Adjacent to the Knoll, School Road – Erection of two storey detached dwelling.

There were no objections to this. However, a comment is to be made that this is extending the area of the Village. The Clerk is to check that it is within the permitted area for building in the Village.

Action: Clerk to ascertain the boundaries for permitted area for building in the Village

b) Planning Notifications:

- SL/2018/0965 – Farm Cottage, Head Cragg – discharge of conditions
- 7/2018/5792 – School House, Grizebeck - Granted with conditions

c) Planning Enforcement Issues

- School House, Grizebeck – As the report breaches have now been granted retrospectively, this item will be removed from the Agenda.
- Ginnyring Cottage, Grizebeck – No update on this has yet been received from SLDC

16. Correspondence

The following correspondence had been received and was placed in the folder for distribution:

- a) CALC Newsletter – March 2019
- b) Letter of thanks for the CIL donation from Kirkby-in-Furness Community Centre
- c) Clerks and Councils Direct Magazine
- d) CALC – Tour of Cumbria Event Notification
- e) FLAG - Newsletter

17. Any Other Business

- **Bus Service**

Cllr. Brereton reported that the Bus Service is still running and proving popular.

- **Lake District National Park – Extension of Southern Boundary**

Cllr. Todd had attended a meeting of the Southern Boundary Partnership on the 20th March 2019. He reported on this. He informed there will be a meeting on Tuesday 7th May 2019 to reveal the proposed route for the National Park Boundary. Following which there will be a Question/Answers session to be held by the Partnership on the 12th June 2019 between 6-8 pm. It was agreed that the Parish Council should arrange a meeting for Members of the Partnership to meet with local residents to discuss their proposals and the impact this would have on the area. Cllr Todd is to contact Askam and Ireleth Parish Council to see if they would be agreeable for a joint meeting with residents from both Parishes.

Action: Cllr. Todd to contact Askam and Ireleth Parish Council re meeting with Residents

18. Deferred Actions Review

Affordable Housing – Nothing to report

Bus Shelter on School Road – Nothing to report.

19. Date of next meeting

Thursday 18th April 2019 at 7.00 pm

Alison Field

Clerk to the Parish Council