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 14th March 2024 at Methodist Church, Marshside

1. **Apologies for Absence (received in writing):**
   Cllrs. J Byrne, Cllr. M. Brereton
   Present:
   Cllr. G. Grieve (Chairman), W. Todd, R. Saunders, M. Irving, D. Wilson, D. Mackay, R. Bennett, A. Pye, L. Walkden, S. Rhodes
   6 members of the public

2. **Requests for Dispensations**
   There were no requests for dispensations.

3. **Declaration of Interests**
   Cllr. Irving 9(b).

4. **Minutes from the previous meeting**
   The minutes of the last meeting were approved and signed.

5. **Chairman's Remarks**
   Cllr. Grieve noted that members of the public had attended the meeting in relation to Item 15 (a) on the Agenda and proposed that this be brought forward. This was agreed.

6. **Open Forum**
   Nothing to report.

15. **Planning**
    a) **Applications Received**
       i. 2024/0272/FPA – The Rookery, Sandside, Kirkby-in-Furness – Change of use of the existing two storey dwelling house into two separate units, in order to allow the applicant to use the lower ground floor as a holiday let.
       Members of the public made representations, opposing this application. The Parish Council discussed the application and unanimously agreed to object to the application on the following grounds:-
          - Insufficient parking provision
          - Concern with entrance/exit to driveway due to angle of driveway with additional vehicles
          - Increased noise with holiday let
          - Concerned the detrimental impact of holiday lets have on the housing stock for local people.
       ii. 2024/0152/FPA – Brookside, Beanthwaite, Kirkby-in-Furness – Extension to existing agricultural building with stell framed building to cover midden store to prevent dirty water run-off. Concrete yard area to prevent rainwater and dirty water run-off for vehicle access and hardstanding area. The Parish Council did not object to this application, nor have any comments.

iii. 2024/0259/FPA – Land West of the A595, School Road, Kirkby-in-Furness – Agricultural building for storage and sheep during lambing.
Members of the public made representations with regard to this application. The Parish Council discussed this application and unanimously agreed to object to the application on the following grounds:-

- There is already a building on the land, erected under the permitted development, which the Parish Council believe is sufficient for the size and agricultural operation of the land.
- It is outside the permitted development area.
- A previous application on the same site, on a larger scale, was refused on the basis of it being on open land and visible from many points. The Parish Council believe the same applies to this application.
- The Parish Council are concerned the proposed development would set a precedent for further development of the land.

iv. 2024/0250/FPA – Seattle, Sandside, Kirkby-in-Furness – New vehicular access – There were no objections or comments to this application.

v. 2024/0129/PACOU – Moorland Stores and Post Office, School Road, Kirby-in-Furness – Application to determine if prior approval is required for a proposed change of use from redundant post office into ground floor flat – This was discussed by the Parish Council. It was agreed to object to this application on the same grounds as submitted for the previous application CU/2023/0011 as the objections and comments made apply to this application as well.

7. **Reports from the Westmorland and Furness Councillor**
Cllr. Brereton was not in attendance at the meeting

8. **Matters Arising from the previous meeting**
   a) The Clerk had received written quotes for the repair of the surface of Soutergate car park.
   b) The Clerk had written to Travellers Choice regarding not stopping at bus stop and speeding through the Village – Cllr. Irving report that this matter has now been resolved.
   c) The Clerk had contacted Cllr. Brereton enquiring who to contact at Westmorland and Furness with regard to Maintenace contract for 5 street lights. A response was awaited.

9. **Traffic, A595 & A5092 and Highways**
   a) **A595/A5092 and Highways matters**
   Nothing to report.
   b) **A595 Grizebeck Improvement Scheme**
   Nothing to report.
      i. ***Green sign on the A595 at Grizebeck***
      Nothing to report.
      ii. ***Milestones***
      Nothing to report.
      iii. ***Victorian Signposts***
      Nothing to report.
      iv. ***Chapels – Recreational Area***
      Nothing to report
   c) **Hotline Reports**
      - Surface on A5092 at Beanthwaite in bad state of repair

d) **Hotline Progress**
None.

10. **Parish Plan**
    a) **Reports**
        i. **Community Facilities –** Nothing to report.
        ii. **Resilience** – Nothing to report
        iii. **Highways –** Nothing to report
        iv. **Website and Social Media –** Cllr. Bennett informed that he had placed the availability of affordable housing at the new development on the website
        v. **Footpaths and Cycleways –** Nothing to report
        vi. **Parish Lengthsman –** Nothing to report

11. **Current Matters**
    a) **Cutting back of hedges/verges by Probation Service**
    The work of the Probation Service is continuing.
    b) **Road/Wall subsidence – Marshside**
    Cllr. Grieve reported that Highways have informed that a site visit will take place.
    c) **Emergency Planning – Community Centre Contacts**
    This is ongoing.
    d) **Soutergate car park**
        i. ***Surface work***
        This will be discussed under item 14(g) on the Agenda.
        ii. ***Boundary Wall***
        This work has now been carried out.
    e) **Watery Lane – Boundary Wall**
    Nothing to report.
    f) **Winter Maintenance**
    Nothing to report.
    g) **Sandbag Unit, Marshside**
    A member of the public had contacted the Parish Council with regard to the damage of this unit. Cllr. Grieve to ask the Lengthsman to look at the Unit to see if this could be repaired.
    Action: Cllr. Grieve to ask Lengthsman to look at Sandbag Unit at Marshside to see if this can be repaired

12. **Statutory Requirements**
    Nothing to report.

13. **CGP Kirkby Ireleth Parish Council Trust Fund**
    a) ***Report***
    Nothing to report.

14. **Accounts**
    a) The financial statement for the month of February 2024 had been emailed to all Councillors prior to the meeting.
    b) The Clerks salary of £208.33 and expenses of £16.88 for March 2024 were approved.
    c) The payment to HMRC of £52.00, being PAYE to 5th April 2024 was approved.
    d) The payment to Methodist Church for the hire of the hall was approved.
    e) The payment of £40.00 to ICO in respect of the Annual data protection fee was approved.

f) The payment of £19,000 CIL money to Kirkby-in-Furness Community Centre for the replacement playground, which had been approved at the Parish Council Meeting of 21st December 2023 had now been made.

g) The quote for the work to the surface of the Soutergate car park had now been received from Gowan Construction. The cost of this would be £2,500, as previously indicated and discussed. It was agreed to proceed the work. Cllr. Todd to arrange the work to be carried out.

Action: Cllr. Todd to contact Gowan Construction with regard to the surfacing work of the car park at Soutergate

h) ***Community Infrastructure Levy payments***

i. Consideration of Allocation of monies – Cllr. Bennett will place a remainder in the Newsletter of CIL monies available.

15. **Planning**

b) **Planning Notifications**

i. 2024/0125/0125/FPA – Land near Dove Bank, Grizebeck - Erection replacement stable block (private use) – Approved with conditions

c) **Planning Enforcement Issues**

i. **Land off A595 School Road**
It was noted that the Appeal with regard to this had been dismissed. This item will be removed from the Agenda.

ii. **Beanthwaite Barn**
Nothing to report.

iii. **School House – Grizebeck**
Nothing to report.

iv. **Stone Arthur, School Road**
Nothing to report.

d) **Email from Planning Department regarding planning applications**
An email had been received from the Planning Department in response the Parish Council's request to clarify the procedure when the response of the Parish Council on an application differs from the recommendation of the Planning Officer. This was read out. It was agreed that a representative from the Planning Department would be invited to attend a Parish Meeting to discuss the planning process. The Clerk to email the Planning Department.

Action: Clerk to email Westmorland and Furness Planning Department to invite a representative to a council meeting

16. **Correspondence**

a) Clerks and Councils Direct

b) Friends of the X112 – Memo to Parish Councillors and County Cllrs. – this was circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting.

17. **Parish Councillors Reports**

- Cllr. Todd reported that the stop sign at Beckside has still not been repainted. Cllr. Todd to get portal number so this can be raised with Cllr. Thornton.
- Cllr. Irving reported a resident has raised the issue of the boat being parked on the Highway at Grizebeck. This was discussed.

18. **Deferred Actions Review**

None

19. **Date of next Meeting: Thursday 18th April 2024**

Alison Field - Clerk of Kirkby Ireleth Parish Council