Minutes of a meeting of Cartmel Fell Parish Council held at Tower Wood Outdoor Education Centre on Wednesday 3rd August 2022 at 7.30pm.

Present were Councillors Alan Telford (Chairman), Chris Cannon, Matthew Martin, Helen Smith and Mike Smith, County Councillor Bill Wearing, District Councillor John Holmes and Park Clerk Kevin Price.

22/22 Public participation: None.

22/23 Requests for Dispensations: None.

22/24 Declarations of Interest:

There were no Declarations of Interest made in respect of any matters on the agenda.

22/25 Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting held on 4th May 2022, having been circulated were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

22/26 Finance:

- a. The report from the Internal Auditor was noted. There were no matters raised for the Council's attention.
- b. It was resolved to pay the following accounts:

T Flitcroft £60.00 Internal Auditor – honorarium K M Price £119.41 Quarterly expenses to 30th June, Including use of home office and travel.

c. The cash and budget statements were noted.

22/27 Reports:

Councillor Waring reported as follows:

- a. The Police and Crime Commissioner is expected to take over the Fire Service and be responsible for both these services in the new Authority in April 2023.
- b. The future management of Highways, Children's Services and Social Services is, as yet, unknown after April 2023.
- c. It is likely that there will be local committees in Barrow, Eden and South Lakeland as at present.
- d. A 20-page report from the Adoption Service will be sent to the Clerk for circulation.

Councillor Holmes gave his report, which had been circulated to Councillors and will be appended to these minutes in the file. Issues covered included the future ownership of the bed of Lake Windermere, the COVID Additional Relief Fund and the Fairer Community Fund.

22/28 Visit from the Leader of South Lakeland District Council:

An email from Emma Shield (Project Officer – Locality) had been circulated to Councillors, asking if the Council would like a visit from the Leader of South Lakeland District Council, Councillor Jonathan Brook. After some discussion it was agreed to invite Councillor Brook to the next meeting and to ask if Councillors need to prepare any comments or questions in advance.

22/29 Planning:

a. The following applications were considered:

7/2022/5444 Gateside, Cartmel Fell. Proposed extension to main house with disabled ramp access, extension to annex building and renovation of toilet block, new log store.

The Council responds as follows:

- 1. In the absence of supporting commentary or description of the current / proposed development:
- 2. The Applicant / Planning Officer should confirm the status / suitability of the "2 Room Annex" with regard to proposed extension / use. The nature of the 'annex' needs to be confirmed as it is not known if this is a suitable 'building' to justify the addition of a shower and WC and to thus 'legitimize' this as a dwelling / quasi 'dwelling'. More detailed supporting commentary / justification is required. Photographic illustration of current status would have assisted the Council in considering this part of the application. A visit by the Planning Officer is suggested, in order to confirm this.
- 3. Similar comments could be made regarding the current 'log store' which appears to be being converted to a quasi dwelling 'support' outbuilding, and the would wish this apparent change of use to be confirmed as appropriate or otherwise, by the Planning Officer and precedent needs to be considered in this regard.
- 3. If the application is approved the new amenities should be stipulated for the sole use of the occupants of Gateside only and not for use for holiday let or separate rental.

7/2022/5439 Hill of Oaks Caravan Park, Newby Bridge. Replacement of two existing jetties on same site as existing, each extended a further 10m into the lake.

Approval recommended, but the Council would like to know the reason for extending the jetties.

7/2022/5441 Beech How, Newby Bridge Road. Reinstatement of detached garage.

- Whilst the Council can agree in principle to the construction of a garage in line with size / design shown, there does seem to be some question regarding the position of the garage relative to the Tree Survey and other documents provided, which could impact on the accessibility and suitability of the site proposed.
- 2. On the 'Tree Survey Plan' (Drawing Title) the 'Cat C Cypress' is shown directly in line with Beech How. On the 'Proposed Site Plan Access to Garage' (Drawing Title) the tree location is shown located in line with the neighbouring property, and not in line with Beech How, thus enabling vehicle manoeuvres as shown. This position needs to be clarified. It is also noted, however, that the Application states that 'No tree(s) or hedges require pruning or removal' and any approval should obviously be conditional on this statement being correct.
- 3. The Council would recommend a site visit by the Planning Officer to confirm that the plans and proposal are accurate and workable, given the apparent discrepancy detailed above. It is also noted that the property is not registered for Council Tax and is thus currently, in the view of the Council, a commercial property. The Planning Officer should confirm that the Planning Application as submitted is appropriate in this regard.

7/2022/5251 Lowther Beeches, Cartmel Fell. Replacement of existing dwelling with new 4 bedroom house with garage.

The Council has been asked to consider amended plans for this Application, but with the documents provided that we feel lack clarity in terms of specific detail or summary with regard to the changes proposed. This is a significant redevelopment proposal and it is disappointing that no clear summary of changes in terms of detail and reasoning has been provided, in the absence of which, able to comment or therefore to support at this moment.

b. The following decision, notified to the Council by the Planning Authority, was noted:

7/2022/5207 Easter Crag, Ghyll Head, Windermere. Dormer extension, porch canopy and alterations to fenestration. Granted.