

Minutes of a meeting of Cartmel Fell Parish Council held at the Parish Hall, Cartmel Fell on Wednesday 11th September 2024 at 7.30pm.

Present were Councillors Helen Smith (Chairman), Matthew Martin, Mike Smith, and Alan Telford, and Parish Clerk Kevin Price. Apologies for absence were accepted from Councillor Chris Cannon and received from Westmorland & Furness Councillors Jenny Boak and Sue Sanderson.

24/20 Public participation: None.

24/21 Requests for Dispensations: None.

24/22 Declarations of Interest:

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

24/23 Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting held on 29th May 2024, having been circulated were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

24/24 Reports:

Councillor Boak reported by email that she had not heard anything further yet from arboriculture or Highways about the problems with trees. She offered to ask for an update on grit bins in the parish – Councillor Martin will liaise with Councillor Boak over this issue.

A ‘Police Day’ had been held last week, with demonstrations on the way in which dogs are used for explosives, drugs and money, helping to catch criminals.

24/25 Westmorland and Furness Ward Boundary Review:

No proposals were made for a response to the document circulated.

24/26 Lanes and grit bins:

A few more grit bins are required and it was agreed that these would be requested to be placed at Pool Garth and on the lane up from Hollins Farm. Councillor Martin will make contact with W&F Council to arrange this and to review other locations for bins and grit piles.

24/27 A592 Road:

The notice of closure arrived after the event which was confusing. The absence of white lines, at the present, is making the road dangerous for anyone unfamiliar with it. The re-surfacing of the road has not been satisfactory. Councillor Martin will draft a request to understand how works are co-ordinated and reviewed upon completion.

This will include a request for a review of substandard pothole fixes that have been undertaken on lanes within the Parish area.

24/28 Finance:

a. *It was resolved to pay the following accounts:*

T Flitcroft	£60.00	Internal Audit – honorarium
Cartmel Fell Community Trust		
	£20.00	Hire of hall
Communicorp	£15.50	Annual subscription for 'Clerks & Councils Direct'
K M Price	£124.32	Quarterly expenses to 30 th June, including use of home office and travel.

b. The cash and budget statements were noted.

c. The report from the Internal Auditor was received with thanks. A recommendation had been made that the Council should have done a Risk Assessment and this should appear on the website. The Clerk had spoken to the auditor from one of his other Councils and been advised how to go about this. There were no other matters raised for the Council to consider.

d. It was resolved to order the annual Remembrance Wreath and the usual donation will be made in respect of this. Councillor Mike Smith agreed to make arrangements.

24/29 Planning matters:

a. Holiday lets/change of use: It appears little can be done about the increasing number of holiday lets in the parish. Queries with regard to planning requirements and building regulations at Woodside had finally been responded to by LDNPA and are still under review.

b. Boathouses: Planning permission was granted for a new boathouse at Ghyll Head but the Council had not been notified of this. The Clerk had contacted LDNPA and asked them to check that this Parish Council is still on their mailing list, as there has been a number of emails that have never reached the Clerk.

- c. Planning Appeals – notification and process. As 'b' above. The Clerk will pass on any planning applications to all Councillors, including any Appeal Notifications.
- d. Parish hotspots – Councillor Martin agreed to look into these situations.
- e. Lakes Parish Council – Vote of No Confidence: Councillors had been made aware of this, the full details of which can be seen on the Lakes Parish Council website.

24/30 Date and place of the next meeting:

Thursday 7th November 2024 at 7.30pm at Tower Wood Outdoor Education Centre.

The meeting closed at 8.50pm.

Signed:

Dated: