

Minutes of a meeting of Cartmel Fell Parish Council held at Tower Wood Outdoor Education Centre on Tuesday 18th September 2018 at 7.30pm.

Present were Councillor Alan Telford (Chairman), Chris Cannon and Mike Smith, District Councillor John Holmes, Councillor Mark Kidd, Councillor Roger Armstrong, one member of the public and Parish Clerk Kevin Price. Apologies for absence were accepted from Councillors Helen Smith and Marian Smith, County Councillor Bill Wearing and PCSO Jonny Gios. An application from Councillor Marian Smith for extended leave of absence was granted.

The Chairman welcomed Councillor Mark Kidd, Chairman of Staveley with Ings Parish Council and Parish Member on the LDNPA, who introduced himself to the Council. Also welcomed was Councillor Roger Armstrong of Lindale and Newton-in-Cartmel Parish Council.

A lively discussion on planning policy and the outcome of recent planning applications in this parish followed. Councillor Cannon also reported on his recent attendance at a planning training event organised by CALC and his attendance at the recent meeting of Lindale and Newton -in-Cartmel Parish Council.

18/49 Public participation: None.

18/50 Requests for Dispensations: None.

18/51 Declarations of Interest:

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

18/52 Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting held on 18th July 2018, having been circulated were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

18/53 Finance:

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

HMRC	£155.20	PAYE
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b. The cash and budget statements were noted.

18/54 Reports:

a. **Police.** The report from PCSO Jonny Gios was read. There had been five calls for service within the parish during August/September. There is a meeting planned in the near future regarding Fell Foot Park with all partners to discuss the issue of parking outside the park. The Clerk will enquire as to the date of the meeting and who will be allowed to attend.

It was also reported that fake £5 notes have been circulating around the Bowness area and the Clerk agreed to send the link to the Bank of England's security booklet, to all Councillors.

- b. **County Councillor.** None.
- c. **District Councillor.** Councillor Holmes had emailed his report to the Clerk prior to the meeting and this will be appended to these minutes on the file.

18/55 Planning:

a. The following applications were considered and approval recommended:

7/2018/5494 Long Garth, Cartmel Fell. Erect timber building to house sheep.

7/2018/5471 Calm Waters, Newby Bridge Road. Landscaping of land including terracing.

7/2018/5480 Hill of Oaks Holiday Park, Newby Bridge Road. Demolition of outbuildings and the construction one new holiday cottage and alterations to the existing adjacent three cottages for self catering holiday accommodation with associated site works

b. The following decisions, notified to the Council by the Planning Authority, were noted:

7/2018/5212 Hill of Oaks Caravan Park, Newby Bridge, Construction of new boat house and jetty. Granted.

7/2018/5198 Bracken Dale, Birks Road. Relocation of existing vehicular access from Birks Road leading to new triple garage with store over not in accordance with condition no. 2 previously attached to planning permission ref. 7/2017/5468: amended design to provide annexed accommodation to main dwelling. Granted.

c. The following comments, submitted since the last meeting, under the Clerk's delegated authority, were noted:

7/2018/5455 Louper Weir, Newby Bridge Road. Erection of two pergola's and associated works (retrospective). Refusal recommended for the following reasons:

"As the tide of phenomenally huge and expensive new builds, alterations and renovations rolls on, on the eastern shore of Windermere, between Tower Wood and the ferry, with blatant disregard for LDNPA planning policy, Cartmel Fell Parish Council questions if the current trend is going to spread across the A592 and planners are going to be carried along and seduced by these wealthy and apparently "untouchable" developers.

Most of these applications are justified by saying screening will protect the developments from public view, when in actual fact all that the sawn stone walls with a laurel hedge does, is block the initial view of Lake Windermere and the central fells on route to "The Lakes", until arrival at Bowness bay.

The development at Louper Weir, which was formerly a fairly wooded site, sparsely developed with lake access to a number of local property owners, "for the quiet enjoyment of the area".

Now we find after a what is considered an over development of the site already, with some debatable planning decisions in some cases! we receive a retrospective application for two portal frame style buildings in the guise of pergolas, with the developer all but mocking LDNPA planners, by apologising for erring in "process" by building without consent.

Whilst the developer quotes policy CS02 and CS10 we would respectfully like to remind planners of Core Strategy Policy CS28 and particularly 4.63.3 We would also query the blue delineate of site boundary adjacent to free standing pergola, is this a grey area?"

7/2018/5422 Curfield, Ghyll Head. Proposed detached dwelling with biomass store. Refusal recommended for the following reasons:

"The new application is almost identical to the previous application that had been refused and therefore all the points for Refusal should still apply as there has been little or no change to the application.

The main dwelling still remains much larger than the original permission and will appear over bearing and will have a large visual impact due to its size and height.

The applicant is trying to show it is lower than Tall Trees but that property is built on higher ground so is naturally higher in elevation , Curfield would be built into the ground so will look significantly larger in size than any neighbouring property thus dominating the landscape.

Two car parking spaces is NOT sufficient for a property of this size and occupancy and would result in unofficial parking causing problems on the highway and to neighbouring properties. It is noted that a turning area has been included but two spaces are not sufficient.

The Council is disappointed that HIGHWAYS are happy with the application only providing two spaces;

Has the issue of the developers building on highways land near the biomass building been looked into ?

The Council feels the development is far too large for the plot of land , the plot cannot accommodate the building, the car parking allocation, nor provide sufficient drainage for a development of this scale.

The developer has not demonstrated any kind of consideration or concern for the surrounding area by heavily excavating and ripping out the woodland and shows no regard for rules or planning law as they carry on as they see fit.

With all this in mind we would please ask you to REFUSE this application and please help us to try and save what little we have left of our beautiful area which is under threat from over-development."

a. The following Notice of Intention was noted:

7/2018/5440 Barn at Low Foxfield Allotment. Open-sided extension to barn to accommodate cattle handling equipment

b. The following Appeal was noted:

7/2017/5614 Pool Garth, Cartmel Fell. Conversion of outbuilding to short term holiday let accommodation.

18/56 Correspondence:

- a. The Council is now registered with the Information Commissioner's Office as legally required and a Certificate has been received.
- b. CALC regarding the proportion of future subscriptions between NALC and CALC. The Council has no objections to the proposals.
- c. LDNPA are no longer supplying hard copies of planning applications. Councillor Cannon agreed to ask if the Council might be able to use the projector/screen facilities at Tower Wood and the applications could then be viewed at meetings, using the Council's laptop.
- d. The 'missing' notice board at Tower Wood layby has now re-appeared. The Clerk will ask Councillor Wearing if he is knows who is responsible for its removal, in order that it might be reinstated.

18/57 Closure of A592:

The road is closed at present for resurfacing work. The winter closure begins in January and this will be discussed nearer the time.

The Clerk will ask Councillor Wearing if efforts can be made to deal with clearing the sides of the road while it is closed. He will also ask for the gullies on Birks Road to be emptied as these appear to have been missed out.

18/58 Parish Lengthsman: No report.

18/59 Date and place of next meeting:

Thursday 15th November 2018 at 7.30pm at Tower Wood Outdoor Education Centre.

The meeting closed at 9.15pm.

Signed:

Dated: