

Minutes of a meeting of Cartmel Fell Parish Council held at Tower Wood Outdoor Education Centre on Wednesday 29th November 2017 at 7.30pm.

Present were Councillors Alan Telford (Chairman), Helen Smith, Marian Smith and Mike Smith, County Councillor Bill Wearing, District Councillor Sue Sanderson, two members of the public and Parish Clerk Kevin Price.

17/53 Public participation:

Mr Mike Cavanagh addressed the Council in respect of planning application 7/2017/5508 Foxfield Farm, Cartmel Fell. (2 x single storey rear extensions and 1 x two storey extension). He has now provided further details in relation to the water supply and the foul drainage and answered questions from Councillors. The Chairman thanked him for his attendance.

17/54 Requests for Dispensations: None.

17/55 Declarations of Interest:

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

17/56 Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting held on 30th August 2017, having been circulated were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

17/57 Council Vacancy:

There had been no expressions of interest, despite regular advertising by different means. It was resolved to continue to ask around the parish.

17/58 Finance:

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

HMRC	£152.20	PAYE (to note)
K M Price	£200.89	Balancing payment (see 'e' below)
A2A Advertising Limited	£78.00	Annual web hosting
K M Price	£100.24	Quarterly expenses to 30th September, including use of home office and travel
RBL Backbarrow Branch	£35.00	Remembrance wreath
Crosthwaite PCC	£13.50	Parish Magazine subscription 2018

- b. A report was presented from the External Auditor on the Council's accounts for 2016-17. The issues arising report was considered and it was noted that the level of reserves currently being held is rather high. The Council resolved to address this during the coming year.
- c. The cash and budget statements were noted.
- d. The Budget Report, prepared by the Clerk, was considered and it was resolved that this Council makes a Precept upon South Lakeland District Council in the sum of £6,243.00 for the financial year 2018-19. There is therefore no increase again this year.
- e. It was resolved to make contributions of £100 each to the Great North Air Ambulance and the North West Air Ambulance.

- f. HSBC Bank (minute 17/143c refers). The Clerk had sent a strong letter to the bank, as the situation had still not been resolved. A number of signatories remain on the mandate of those who had not been Councillors for many years and the bank had refused to amend the standing orders on the account. When Councillors had visited the bank to show proof of identification, the staff claimed to know nothing about the situation. The Clerk had today received a response, stating that the required amendments had finally been made to the mandate.

17/59 County and District Councillor's Reports:

- a. Councillor Wearing distributed flyers for 'Dementia Friendly', NHS and 'Are you ready?' (preparing for emergencies in Cumbria). He agreed to keep Councillors informed of the forthcoming closures on the A592 and to pass on comments that were made. There has been 18 months of disturbance for residents along this road, many of the cat's eyes require renewal, and there was no traffic convoy system in place as promised. When the A590 is also closed, because of an accident, the situation on the A592 is much worse, as HGV's attempt to pass each other on narrow stretches of road.

He also reported concerns from a resident regarding large animals being walked near Simpson Ground Reservoir and causing alarm to walkers. The enquiry had come via Staveley-in-Cartmel parish but the resident will be recommended to make contact with Cartmel Fell Parish Council should there be further worries.

- b. Councillor Sanderson submitted a report, which will be appended to these minutes in the file. This covered the recycling rollout, which has now almost reached 100%, meetings with CCC to discuss Extra Care housing and preparations for housing and environmental departments with the updated infrastructure delivery plan, as well as development briefs and the plan for the Arnside and Silverdale AONB.

17/60 Planning:

a. The following applications were considered and approval recommended:

7/2017/5703 Tower Wood Outdoor Education Centre,. Replacing of two existing decaying timber jetties with slip resistant polyethylene floating jetties and the constructing of an oak wash wall to one side of the outlet to Burrow Beck to help prevent the boat basin silting up.

7/2017/5658 Hill of Oaks & Blakeholme Caravan Park. Amendments to consent ref 7/2014/5296 as follows:

- i. Lake frontage elevation to omit arched entrance to Wet Dock and form rectangular opening.
- ii. Relocate Store from South elevation to side elevation.
- iii. Reduce main ridge height and pitch of roof to 22.5 degrees.
- iv. Drainage connection from Sanitary accommodation in Store to existing pumped site system.

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

7/2017/5408 Oaks Landing, Newby Bridge Road. Extension to jetty to form boat lift. Granted.

7/2017/5418 Thorpinsty, Cartmel Fell. Balcony to South East elevation. Granted.

7/2017/5287 Bracken Dale, Birks Road. Demolish existing five bedroom house and construct new seven bedroom house with games room, lounge, dining, utility and snug. Granted.

c. *The following Approval of Development was noted:*

7/2017/5420 Low Foxfield Allotment, Cartmel Fell. Steel portal frame building.

17/61 Correspondence:

The Clerk alerted the Council to the forthcoming new Data Protection and Data Regulations which come into force in May 2018. It will affect all Parish Councils and it will be required for this Council to register with the Information Commissioner and to appoint a Data Protection Officer (either from within the Council or elsewhere). CALC are advising Councils and will be running a one-day course at the beginning of March, together with workshops on other dates. The Clerk will keep Councillors up to date on developments.

17/62 Parish Council website:

Councillor Marian Smith is happy to continue looking after the website and the required documents are being uploaded regularly.

17/63 Parish defibrillator:

After discussion, it was resolved that this matter is not progressed, due to the scattered nature of the parish and the number of defibrillators in the immediate area.

17/64 Local Area Partnership (LAP):

Councillor Wearing gave a resume of the recent LAP meeting, the minutes of which had been circulated to Councillors. Matters discussed included the Community Infrastructure Levy (not application in the National Park parishes and Affordable Housing).

17/65 Parish Lengthsman:

There was nothing to report but Councillor Mike Smith agreed to arrange for a day's road sweeping to be carried out, as before.

The Clerk agreed to report the following matters again:

- a. Blocked drain at Hartbarrow. The Council had received correspondence regarding this at an earlier meeting and officers had visited the site, but the problem remains.
- b. A drain grate is missing opposite Burplethwaite Hall, where the road is full of drains that are blocked with gravel.

17/66 Date and place of next meeting:

Thursday 8th February 2018 at 7.30pm at Tower Wood Outdoor Education Centre.

The meeting closed at 9.20pm.

Signed:

Dated: