

STAVELEY-IN-CARTMEL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at 6.30 pm on Monday 30th January 2023 **Meeting in the Parish Hall, Staveley-in-Cartmel**

Present

Parish Councillors J Addison, A Gorse, & R Rhodes, Parish Clerk L Prescott, County/Unitary Councillor S Sanderson, District/Unitary Councillor P Endsor & 3 members of the public.

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Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Parish Councillor K Lee.

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Requests for Dispensations

None received.

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Declarations of Interest

None.

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Minutes of the Last Meeting

Resolved The acceptance of the minutes of the meetings held on 5th December 2022 and 23rd January 2023 were agreed unanimously and signed by the Chairman.

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Chairman's Announcements

The Chairman reported

He was very impressed with the actions of the local health services following his wife's recent ill health including 'stroke outreach'.

The standing water on the road between Staveley and the A592 is getting worse, he has advised United Utilities. Councillor Sanderson has advised she will get in touch with her drainage contact at Cumbria Highways.

The Potholes past Chapel House have still not been repaired. There are also potholes along the verge of the A592.

He was nearly hit by a van at Newby Bridge Services and asked when works on the entrance/exit will be done. Councillor Sanderson will make enquiries.

He has spoken to the Area Manager at Newby Bridge Services about the dangerous step near Greggs.

He has also noted MFG tankers delivering fuel to Newlands Services.

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Public Participation

i) **Members of the Public**

A member of the public advised that there is now a gate on the track from the Caravan Park to Newby Bridge Services with a keycode, which prevents access on a Public Right of Way. There is a regular flood across the road at a bend on the road from Back Lane towards Cartmel which needs to be reported to Cumbria Highways.

ii) **National Trust at Fell Foot**

Councillor Rhodes reported that Fell Foot are planting trees and shrubs in the meadow and plan to graze cattle on the meadow. He is concerned about the risk of cows and calves to members of the public walking dogs and asks for this to be raised with the National Trust.

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Police

The Clerk reported she had received a reply from Police Sergeant Paul Mellard apologising for the lack of contact with the Parish Council and advising that this is due to changes in and absences in the Neighbourhood Policing Team, though they

will soon have a Community Beat Officer for our area along with a PCSO. He is unable to attend the January meeting but would be able to attend the meeting on 6th March. They were aware of some of the issues with the Swan Hotel and its parking following their Bonfire night celebrations and did have discussions with them prior to their Christmas Markets and they did take steps to cause a lesser impact on the area and they did check the area in that period. The Clerk reported that in November 2022 local reports to the Police included 2 violent offences at Barber Green and 1 theft on Height Road.

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District, County and Unitary Councillors

- a) County and Unitary Councillor S Sanderson reported that it has been a very busy time with Local government reorganisation as they want to do our best to make it work so it is an improvement. Putting seven councils together and then splitting them in half with a really tight timescale is not something one does lightly. They have weekly Cabinet meetings and the support of KPMG and Penna two private companies to support the changes. In the new Council she is on Cabinet and will be responsible for Children's Services including education. Children's Social Care, the Fire Service and SEND have recently been inspected during which she was interviewed by two inspectors and they had DFE monitoring last week which was positive. SEND has over spent by £28 million, however they have no control over demand as it depends on medical diagnoses. Jonathan Reade from National Highways has updated her in relation to the notices issued for speed reduction between Greenodd and Ayside, which were locally available at Level Valley Primary School and she also forwarded them to the Clerk. She has spoken to Peter Hosking about the parking problems near the Swan Hotel at Newby Bridge and he has asked for preferences in relation to installing fencing or bollards. The Councillors agreed to the installation of the most practical solution. Councillor Rhodes asked whether the accommodation costs of asylum seekers was putting pressure on education budgets, Councillor Sanderson advised it was not.
- b) District and Unitary Councillor P Endsor reported that there were only 2 meetings before Vesting Day and all was going as planned. He expressed his thanks towards the Council officers who are working hard preparing for the new council in addition to maintaining services at the existing Council.

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Councillor Matters

Councillor Rhodes raised a query regarding works being undertaken at Chapel House.

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Town and Country Planning Act, 1990

a) Planning Applications

The following Planning Applications were considered:

- i) 7/2022/5707. Fell Foot Park, Newby Bridge, Ulverston, LA12 8NN. Landscape works including the re-design of the existing footpath network.
Resolved No objections.
- ii) 7/2022/5816. High Cark Hall, Field Broughton, Grange-Over-Sands, Cumbria, LA11 6HS. Conversion and extension to a redundant barn to create a single 2 bedroom residence for local occupancy. Removal of part of a modern agricultural unit, following withdrawal of application refs 7/2022/5560 and 7/2022/5561.
Resolved No objections.
- iii) 7/2022/5792 (Advertisement Consent Application). Fell Foot Park, Newby Bridge, Ulverston, LA12 8NN. Proposed directional signage.
Resolved No objections.

b) Planning Decisions

The following Planning Decisions were noted:

- i) 7/2022/5563. Seattle Hall Farm, Field Broughton, Grange-over-sands, Cumbria, LA11 6HT. Conversion of existing barn / farm buildings to 4 dwellings. Granted with conditions relating to plans, local occupancy, materials, bats and renewable energy.
- ii) 7/2022/5660. High Cark Farm, Field Broughton, Grange-Over-Sands, LA11 6HS. Erection of a 3 bedroom house to replace the existing residential caravan and change of use of land to domestic garden. Granted with conditions relating to plans, materials, occupancy (agriculture/forestry), caravan removal, energy sources and contamination.

c) Planning Enforcement

- i) Planning Enforcement case E/2021/0198
The Clerk reported she had requested an update from LDNPA and they confirm they have now formally taken a decision to issue an enforcement notice in relation to the change of use of the land to leisure and recreational use and the siting of the associated caravans and an enforcement notice will be issued this month. They will advise the landowners of their decision shortly before they serve the notice and advise the Parish Council once the notice is served.

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Updates on Ongoing Issues and Actions

- a) Defibrillator signage
The Clerk reported that Newby Bridge Services have approved the wording for the sign by the defibrillator indicating it was provided by and is maintained by the Parish Council. She will now order signs for both Defibrillators.
- b) Preparation of an Emergency Plan
Deferred to the next meeting.
- c) A592 road and related matters
The Clerk reported that she has again reported the roadside tree stumps to Cumbria Highways and they advise they have sent another Section 154 letter to the landowner instructing them to remove the tree stumps, and will be monitoring this closely to make sure the work is done with follow up letters being sent if necessary.
- d) Swan Hotel, Newby Bridge – parking arrangements
Refer to items 112/22 Police & 113/22 a County/Unitary Councillor.
- e) Levens Farm – temporary fencing
 - i) The Clerk reported she has again reported this issue to Cumbria Highways and they confirm that a Section 154 letter has been issued to the private owner of the land which adjoins Levens Farm boundary, Staveley, to instruct them to remove the reported temporary fencing that is causing an obstruction on the Highway.
 - ii) Councillor Rhodes reported a conversation he has had with the resident at Levens Farm in relation to a number of matters of concern to the resident. These were outlined to the Councillors and included Planning, Highways (items 16/22 c & e), Dog Fouling, an access drive and storage container.
Resolved To write to the resident outlining the Parish Council's position and relevant information in relation to these matters plus providing a dog fouling notice.
- f) Staveley United Charities
Councillor Rhodes reported that The Rev Jonathan Brewster (vicar of the five parishes in the Cartmel Peninsula Benefice) is prepared to act as a Trustee for the Charitable Trust. The Parish Council appoints 3 Trustees to the Charities.

Resolved

- i) To appoint the Chairman (Councillor Gorse), Vice Chairman (Councillor Rhodes) and Parish Clerk (Lyn Prescott) as Trustees.
- ii) To hold a meeting of the Charity at 6 pm on the date of the next Parish Council meeting.

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New Agenda Items

- a) Westmorland and Furness Council's consultation on council tax levels

Resolved No response to be made.

- b) Sealte bin collections

The Clerk reported that she has emailed the contact given on the SLDC notification letter explaining the movement distance involved (up to 100 yards), asking why this has changed and advising there are residents over retirement age and in ill health. She also asked how assisted collections could take place if standard collections cannot and further details of the road condition which has resulted in this decision. No reply has been received and she has tried but as yet been unable to speak to anyone by telephone. County Councillor Sanderson suggested contacting the Portfolio holder Councillor Diane Jones.

Resolved To contact Councillor Diane Jones.

- c) A590 Trunk Road Speed limit Order

Resolved To approve the submitted response supporting the Speed Limit Order, but questioning the extent of the order ie to Canny Hill Junction or to Ayside as it is not clear on the documentation.

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Finance

- a) Financial Report

Resolved To accept the Finance Report.

- b) Expenditure

iH Media (annual website domain renewal and hosting)	£60.00
Information Commission annual data protection registration	£40.00
Clerk's Salary (1/10/2022 – 31/12/2022)	£527.46
Luke Gleadow (Grass cutting June to November 2022)	£440.00
St Mary's Church Hall Rent (30/01/2023)	£40.00

Resolved To authorise the listed expenditures.

119/22

Highways Matters

- a) Highways matters to be reported

The cycle path sign on the A592 is pointing in the wrong direction.

Resolved To report to Cumbria Highways.

- b) Responses received to highways matters reported

The Clerk reported she had been advised by Cumbria Highways that the reported drain had been resolved. Residents advised that this has not been done, so the Clerk will report again.

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Correspondence

Noted the correspondence already distributed.

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Next Meeting

Noted that the next meeting will be on Monday 20th March 2023 from 6.30pm in Staveley-in-Cartmel Parish Hall.

SIGNED:

Chairman

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Date: