

STAVELEY-IN-CARTMEL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 6th November 2023 in the Church Hall, Staveley in Cartmel

Present: Parish Councillors A Gorse (Chair), J Addison, K Lee & A Newby & R Rhodes, Parish Clerk L Prescott and 6 members of the public.

65/23 **Apologies**

Apologies were received and accepted from Unitary Councillors P Endsor and S Sanderson and D Almond of the National Trust.

66/23 **Requests for Dispensations**

None received.

67/23 **Declarations of Interest**

Councillors K Lee and R Rhodes declared an interest in items 77/23 c & d.

68/23 **Minutes of the Last Meeting**

Resolved The acceptance of the Minutes of the meeting held on 2nd October 2023 was agreed unanimously and signed by the Chairman.

69/23 **Chairman's Announcements**

The Chairman announced:

- a) The overgrown road signs on the A592 have now been cut back.
- b) The condition of the bench at Staveley-in-Cartmel is deteriorating and may need to be replaced.
- c) The area around the triangle in Staveley needs to be looked at by Councillors in relation to the signpost area and parking near the junction.

70/23 **Public Participation** (at the Chairman's discretion)

A resident raised concerns regarding the changes to the X6 bus service, commencing on 6th November 2023. The service will no longer stop at Ayside or High Newton and it is not safe to walk to the next bus stops along the A590. The Parish Council was not consulted. The Clerk will raise their concerns with Unitary Councillor S Sanderson, MP T Farron and copy in the Lindale and Newton Parish Council Clerk.

A resident advised that BT's planned works on the culvert at Canny Hill have still not taken place and that further works on another culvert on Hazelrigg Lane are planned. Councillor Rhodes advised he had a Highways contact that may be able to provide more information.

A resident reported that the road speed limit signage near the junction of the Canny Hill Road and A590 near Newby Bridge Garage is not correct.

An agent outlined details of the proposed barn conversion (7/2023/5595. Belman Beck Barn).

71/23 **Police**

The Clerk reported that one crime in the parish (a burglary near Head House) was reported to Cumbria Police in September 2023.

72/23 **Unitary Councillors**

No report has been received.

Resolved To contact the Unitary Councillors regarding their non-attendance at, and lack of reports to, Parish Council meetings in 2023.

73/23 **Councillor Matters**

Councillor Rhodes reported concerns raised by a resident in relation to the timing of construction works where substantial works are being undertaken over several years. The Clerk will make enquiries with the LDNPA Parish Council Representative Mark Kidd.

74/23 **Town and Country Planning Act, 1990**

a) **Planning Applications**

The following applications were considered:

- i) 7/2023/5595. Belman Beck Barn, Ayside, Grange over Sands, LA11 6JE.
Conversion of barn to form two local occupancy dwellings.
Resolved To support, providing the Local Occupancy clause is included.
- ii) 7/2023/5608. St Mary's Church, Staveley in Cartmel, Newby Bridge, LA12 8NH.
Electricity service alteration works.
Resolved No objection.
- iii) 7/2023/5618. The Old Vicarage, Staveley in Cartmel, Ulverston LA12 8NH.
Demolition of existing garage and construction of ancillary accommodation for parents.
Resolved To support the application provided there is a local occupancy clause, the character of the building is maintained by re-using the original slates and the building remains an ancillary part of the Old Vicarage ie under the same ownership.

b) **Planning Decisions**

The following planning decision was noted:

- i) 7/2023/5278. Bellman Beck, Meadow View, Ayside, Grange over Sands, LA11 6HY. To build a new self-build dwelling. Withdrawn.

c) **Planning Enforcement**

The Clerk reported that following LDNPA Parish Council Representative Mark Kidd's meeting with the LDNPA Enforcement Officer, an Enforcement Notice was issued on 4th October 2023 on case E/2021/0198 near Seattle in relation to the material change of use of the land. The Notice requires that provided a successful appeal is not made, the use of land for leisure and recreational purposes should cease and the 2 static caravans and other items should be removed by 29th January 2024.

75/23 **Updates on Ongoing Issues and Actions to be considered**

a) Seattle bin collections

Councillor Addison reported that the road repairs have been completed, but the original bin collection service has not been reinstated.

Resolved To request the original bin service to be reinstated by Westmorland and Furness Council.

b) A590 Trunk Road speed limit Order

Councillor Gorse reported that these works are ongoing overnight and cameras have been installed near Greenodd.

c) Land Adjoining Meadow View, Ayside

The Clerk reported that she has met with Mrs G Barker and taken copies of the Hampsfield Estate sales particulars from 5th June 1928 (showing the extent of the plot of land sold to her family) and a letter written by the then Parish Clerk, Peter Day, on 4th April 2007 in relation to this land. The land is referred to by Peter Day as "the small plot of land near your property which has been used for public car parking" and that "it has not been possible to establish ownership of the plot of land in question". The Clerk has been unable to locate a Land Registry record for this land, but it may be owned but not registered with the Land Registry. The Parish Council noticeboard has been located on this piece of land for many years.

Resolved To not object to Mrs Barker registering the small plot of land adjoining the road and her garden, provided there is a condition that a Parish Council Noticeboard remains on the land with access being maintained for its use by the Parish Council and residents.

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New Agenda Items

- a) Westmorland and Furness Council consultation on Statement of Licensing Policy 2024-2029 & Statement on Gambling Policy 2024-2027

Resolved No objections.

- b) Parish Council defibrillators
The Clerk reported that the defibrillators are checked regularly she has replaced the pads at Newby Bridge Garage defibrillator as they had expired.
- c) Internet Connectivity
The Clerk reported she had contacted Connect Cumbria in relation to the variable internet speeds available in the Parish. They confirmed that there is a wide variation from less than 10 Mbps to over 1000 Mbps. There is no information on when this situation will be addressed.
The Clerk reported that the government is currently undertaking a consultation on Digital Connectivity and NALC has prepared a response highlighting the issues, particularly in rural areas.
Resolved To submit the response to the consultation prepared by NALC on behalf of the Parish Council.

77/23 **Finance**

- a) Current Financial Status & Cash Book
The Financial Report was circulated.
Resolved To accept the Financial Report.
 - b) Expenditure
Resolved To authorise the following expenditure:

Clerk's Salary 01/7/23-30/9/23	£473.36
Stamps	£6.00
Home Working Allowance (1/4/23- 30/9/23)	£100.00
Luke Gleadlow (Strimming) (to August 2023)	£200.00
St Mary's Church Hall Rent (02/10/2023 & 6/11/2023)	£80.00

 Councillors K Lee and R Rhodes left the meeting.
 - c) Grant request - Field Broughton Churchyard maintenance
Resolved To award £200.
 - d) Grant request – Staveley-in-Cartmel Churchyard maintenance
Resolved To award £200.
- Councillors K Lee and R Rhodes returned to the meeting.

78/23 **Highways Matters**

- a) Highways matters to be reported
Councillors reported blocked drains in Staveley and potholes on the A592 between Fell Foot and the A590 roundabout and on the A590 roundabout.
Resolved To report to National Highways & Unitary Highways.
- b) Highways matters reported
Foliage has been cut back around signs on A592.

79/23 **Correspondence**

The correspondence already distributed was noted.

80/23 **Next Meeting**

Noted that the next meeting is on Monday 15th January 2024 from 6.30pm in the Church Hall.

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Chairman

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