

PRESENT	Mr A R Auld (Chairman)	Mr I Newton
	Mr D C Cowen	Mr R J Potter
	Mr D B Craig	Mrs J L Rawstron
	Mrs P Dalton	Mr O Rickerby
	Mr G Harrison	Mr O Roberts
	Mrs F Kaye-Krzeczkowski	Mr S A Sinclair
		Mr S Scaife

78 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Messrs D W Hand and J F G Kelsey (holiday).

79 MINUTES

The minutes of the ordinary monthly meeting held on 11th September 2007 were agreed and signed as a true record.

80 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Mr D C Cowen declared and recorded an interest in agenda item 5 – Kingswood Educational Centre, Cumdivock and agenda item 9a) b) Station access.

81 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors J Collier, N Clarke and S Tweedie.

The Clerk read out the Police report. The presence of the PCSO in Dalston was felt to be making a difference. She was to be asked to pay attention to vehicles being parked on pavements and blocking pedestrian access. Councillor Allison asked whether the PCSO could be deployed to Cummersdale Parish – it was agreed that its Clerk should be supplied with contact details. Councillor Allison reported that the Kingswood Local Liaison Committee meeting on 25th September 2007 had been fairly difficult. Mr Auld was the Parish Council representative and confirmed this. Councillor Allison had undertaken a further photographic survey of the surface condition of the Dalston to Cummersdale cycle track for presentation at the Neighbourhood Forum meeting. Enquiries regarding possible sites for a static library, including 28 The Square, were continuing

82 PLANNING DECISIONS

070708 25 & 26 The Square – proposed alteration and extension to 2no. single storey dwellings to form 3no. two storey dwellings - withdrawn

07/0910 Lakerigg Barn, Lakerigg – lean to extension and balcony to rear elevation approved 2 conditions.

07/0890 Deepdale, Bridge End – replacement of flat roof with pitched slate tiled roof over existing extension – approved 1 condition.

07/0528 The Blue Bell Inn, 6 The Square – formation of external drinking area and erection of crown terrasol – approved 4 conditions.

07/0593 The Blue Bell Inn, 6 The Square – formation of external drinking area and erection of crown terrasol (LBC) – approved 1 condition.

07/0793 Greenlea, Buckabank – formation of alternative access and turning area to rear of dwelling – withdrawn.

07/0867 25 The Green – rear third floor extension above existing structure to provide additional bedroom with internal alterations to remaining building – deferred for site visit and await a further report.

07/0868 L/Adj 25 The Green & cottage & barn to rear of 25 The Green – erection of 2no. three storey terrace town houses and conversion of existing cottage and barn into 1no. house and garage - deferred for site visit and await a further report.

- 07/0935 Lingey Close Farm – erection of agricultural building (revised application) - deferred for site visit and await a further report. Copy correspondence from Councillor Allison to Carlisle CC Planners.
- 07/0625 Barn E, Moss End Farm, Dalston – conversion of two storey barn to 1no. dwelling – approved 11 conditions.
- 07/0392 Kingswood Educational Study Centre, Greensyke, Cumdivock - widening of existing service access – approved 3 conditions. Copy correspondence had been received from Councillor Allison to Carlisle CC Planners. A 7 day suspension of the nightline activity had been agreed at the Liaison Group meeting because of a serious complaint regarding an incident of excessive noise. It was felt that Parish Council representation was not easy as the Local Liaison Group meetings were being used as a sounding board for planning ideas. The Clerk and Mr Cowen had, following an invitation, attended a site meeting of A Hutchinson, Carlisle CC Planning Officer and an Environmental Health Officer at the Kingswood premises to look at the sound monitors, which had been installed. AAD had reconsidered the position of the poles, which were now sited on buildings 3m above the ground. The sound equipment recording levels had been set incorrectly and required adjustment to a higher setting. It was reported to be a useful and cordial meeting.
- 07/0951 Nestle UK Ltd – extension to existing production and process building – approved 1 condition.
- 07/0906 27 Caldew Drive - ground floor extension to rear of property to extend kitchen, garage and dining/sun room area,. Garage to be brought forward to front building line of property – approved 2 conditions.

83 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- 07/1019 Land adjacent to All Saints Parish Church, O.S. Field No. 0074, Raughton Head – installation of septic tank. – no observations.
- 07/1051 Dalston Hall Holiday Park, Dalston Hall – removal of condition 2 attached to planning permission 06/1286 and addition of a condition to limit the occupation of holiday static caravans to between 1st March – 31st January the following year – no observations.
- 07/1050 Barn C, Moss End Farm, Welton Road – conversion of barn to a dwelling (revised proposal) – no observations.
- 07/1056 The Barns, Raughtonhead Hill – conversion of Grade 11 listed farm outbuilding and conversion of farm shed to form one dwelling – traditional building materials preferred.
- 07/1057 The Barns, Raughtonhead Hill – conversion of Grade 11 listed farm building and conversion of farm shed to form one dwelling (LBC) – comments as above.
- 07/1066 Holly Cottage, 9 The Green – two storey extension to side and rear of dwelling (revised application) – no observations.

Mr Kelsey had requested that the illuminated sign on the David Allen building should be checked in relation to planning permission requirements – agreed. Compliance with the hedge species proposed in any landscaping scheme was also to be confirmed. **Resolved** that further complaints regarding light pollution from the security light at the Ben Hodgson premises should be passed on to the Carlisle CC Enforcement Officer. Village House tree planting was also to be raised with the Planners.

84 CO-OPTION OF COUNCILLOR

Mr Stephen Scaife informed the meeting of his military career curtailed through injury, current part time work and social interests. The other potential persons to fill the vacancy had declined. It was **resolved**, proposed Mr Auld, seconded Mrs Dalton to co-opt Mr Scaife onto the Parish Council.

85 TRAFFIC AND PARKING QUESTIONNAIRE

The re-drafted questionnaire, incorporating suggested changes received from Councillors, was considered further and it was agreed to omit some of the questions. It was **resolved** that the Chairman and Clerk should prepare the final version for printing and distribution, mainly through the Parish magazines. In addition, a different coloured business version was to be produced. Messrs Craig, Newton and Scaife volunteered to help with the distribution to households not in receipt of a magazine and to businesses. Parking, noise and light pollution problems caused by the Ben

Hodgson business were raised. Councillor Allison offered to discuss the various difficulties with the owner. The future residential use of the site was discussed, but there was some doubt reported regarding change of use because of the need to encourage businesses in the rural economy. HGVs were reported to be overnight parking at the former Cardewlees Garage/Little Chef site – agreed that the matter should be passed on to Great Orton PC Clerk.

86 CORRESPONDENCE

- 1 Agenda and papers for CPCA AGM 11th October – the Chairman and Clerk to attend.
- 2 Dalston & Cummersdale Neighbourhood Forum agenda & notes 16th October – Messrs Craig, Rickerby, Sinclair and Mrs Dalton volunteered to attend. Dalston-Cummersdale cycle track, HGV and Station entrance issues to be raised at the meeting. Councillor Clarke had sent email comments regarding the cycleway and Cumbria CC Lengthsman scheme.
- 3 Carlisle Environmental Action AGM – 18th October – J Kelsey advised of date.
- 4 Email communication with David Hickson re HGV traffic and motorbikes on the cycle track - noted. Councillor Collier had been advised of the movement of waste milk product from Nestle during the night and was making enquiries regarding this matter. Recorded HGV numbers and travel speed along the Green for a week long period in June 2007 was available
- 5 Encroachment on Village Greens Workshop 26th October, Crosby Ravensworth - Clerk to attend.
- 6 Effective Councils Road Show available for single Council rather than multiple Council training. **Resolved** that the Clerk should make further enquiries about a venue and date and that all Councillors should be committed to attend.
- 7 BP Oil UK Ltd letter of introduction from Jim McLeod, Operations Team Leader – noted.
- 8 Cumbria CC St Aidan's County High School and North Cumbria Technology College Public Notices – on display.
- 9 CALC AGM agenda and minutes 10th November – Mesdames Dalton and Rawstron to attend.

87 GARDENS AND MAINTENANCE/PROJECTS UPDATES

- a)
 - a) Police Post – the Clerk reported that the office furniture had been ordered and that the premises had been inspected for security arrangements.
 - b) Station access – an email from Bingham Yates and a Cumbria CC copy FAX indicated that a full reconstruction of the road surface would be expected for Cumbria CC to pursue adoption. Bingham Yates wondered whether budget costs should be obtained for this. It was **resolved** that a site meeting should be convened with a representative from Cumbria Highways, Bingham Yates, Cumbria and District Council, the Clerk and a Parish Councillor present to clarify precisely what would be acceptable. Councillor Allison suggested that a similar scheme had been commissioned through Carlisle CC and ultimately adopted.
- b) Parish building/Forge Green. **Resolved** to exclude members of the public and press from the meeting pursuant to section 1(2) of The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960. The Clerk reported that there had been no progress regarding Forge Green, but three Councillors had looked at alternative premises, which were considered to have potential for development. A decision on whether the matter could be taken further was yet to be made by the other party.
- c) The Clerk reported that financial assistance with tree maintenance work might be obtained through the Co-operative Community Fund or through entering into a management scheme with the Forestry Commission, but grants could not be obtained retrospectively. It was agreed that enquiries could be made for future requirements.
- d)
 - a) It was reported that the surface of UCR 111142 at Flatt Bank had been improved by Cumbria CC – thanks had been passed on.
 - b) Further complaints had been received regarding the condition of the roads in the Parish, in particular the sunken manhole cover outside Garden Cottage and the excessive undergrowth adjacent to the cycle path – the Clerk had reported the various matters.
 - c) The Environment Agency had requested an opinion on the extraction of gravel from the Hawksdale shoal – it was agreed that it was satisfactory so far.
 - d) It was reported that the seat on Lakerigg Common was damaged – the Clerk was to arrange its repair if possible.
 - e) The chestnut paling fence adjacent to Crakegarth Close was in need of repair or replacement. It was agreed that the Clerk should contact Carlisle CC regarding this.

88 BUDGET, PRECEPT, CPCA & OTHER GRANT APPLICATIONS

Draft estimates and budget notes for 2008/09 were produced by the Chairman and Clerk for consideration. The precept had been increased by 5%. It was **resolved**, proposed Mr Craig seconded Mrs Dalton that the budget figures should be carried forward to the next meeting unchanged for setting the precept –carried with 2 abstentions.

89 ACCOUNTS

Resolve to approve the monthly expenditure and record of income:

1	Powergen – electricity DD overcharge/adjustment to credit	8.96
2	E Davidson – grave digging ashes space 17/09/07	30.00
3	N Park (Fencing) Ltd – felling trees riverbank path	940.00
4	Hodgson Construction Ltd – Station access excavation 2 x trial holes	334.88
5	Society of Local Council Clerks – annual subscription	105.00
6	Mrs E Auld – salary £594.53, expenses £5.40	599.93
7	Inland Revenue – PAYE & NIC	714.20

Income:

1	J Tremble – burial ashes fee 17/09/07	85.00
2	Dalston Post Office – 10 x map packs 19/09/07	20.00
3	United Utilities – Lakerigg gas supply pipe easement	250.00
4	C Collins – 2 Forge Green rent 11/09, 18/09, 25/09, 02/10/07	380.00
5	Cumbria Memorials – headstones x 2, additional inscription	145.00
6	L Hogg – 1 Forge Green September rent	234.00
7	Corner Shop – fishing permits	61.00
8	Cumbria Memorials – additional inscription	35.00

Mrs Kaye-Krzeczkowski offered to check the PAYE records.

90 CEMETERY MATTERS

- a) Interment: Lawrence Strong ashes only 17/09/07 Ward 5 Section H Space 27
- b) Cumbria Memorials additional inscription: ‘Also John Michael Cox Died 10th May 2004 Aged 72 Years A Much Loved and Greatly Missed Father of Kathleen and Bridget’.

The meeting closed at 9.40pm