

## DALSTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the monthly meeting held at Forge Green on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2005.

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PRESENT	Mr B C Craig (Chairman)	Mrs C Oakley
	Mr D C Cowen	Mrs J L Rawstron
	Mrs P Dalton	Mr S A Sinclair
	Mr A G Jackson	Mr M Smillie
	Mr J F G Kelsey	

Apologies for absence were received from Messrs A R Auld (work), D W Hand (holiday), G Harrison (ill), R J Potter and O Roberts (away). A letter of resignation was received from Mr S D P Christopher due to him leaving the Parish. The Notices of a Vacancy were to be displayed and an item included in the Parish magazines and on the website.

### 17 MINUTES

The minutes of the annual meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> May 2005 were agreed and signed as a correct record.

### 18 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Apologies for absence were received from Messrs J Collier and B Dodd. Councillor T Allison reported three concerns raised by residents: 1) Dislodged block stones on the edge of the Green – response from Environment Agency awaited following site visit 2) Additional grasscrete required to link the two existing sections together – not currently in budget 3) Further request for bollards outside Drs Surgery – agreed at previous meeting to ask for double yellow lines instead. Suggested that a letter be sent to the Surgery requesting that delivery vans refrained from parking on the pavement.

Report of abandoned car on Glave Hill car park – Councillor Crookdake agreed to advise the appropriate department in Carlisle CC.

### 19 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Mr D Cowen declared and recorded an interest in agenda item 5 – planning application 04/1203 Kingswood Educational Study Centre, Greensyke, Cumdivock and agenda item 9a) - Cumbria in Bloom competition entry.

### 20 PLANNING DECISIONS

05/0288 Thackwood Farm, Raughton Head - erection of agricultural building for livestock and manure storage – approved 2 conditions.

### 21 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

04/1203 Kingswood Educational Study Centre, Greensyke, Cumdivock – a report, compiled by Mr Auld, of the Development Control Committee meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2005 had been circulated. The Clerk, Mrs Dalton and members of the Cumdivock Group, had written further notes following the meeting. The Clerk reported that clarification had been sought regarding the content of the resolution and ensuing consultation. Notification had been received of the deferment of the decision. A copy letter and reply had been received from Mr Wibraham, for Cumdivock Group to Mr Lambert, Carlisle CC Solicitor, as well as a copy letter from T Allison, Carlisle Councillor to Mr Lambert. Mrs Crookdake informed the meeting that she had written to Mr Eales, Head of Planning Services for information on the proposed bund, use of quad bikes, s106 Agreement and Management Code. Following a lengthy discussion on the conduct of the meeting and any action to be taken, resolved,

proposed Mr Kelsey, seconded Mrs Oakley to write to Carlisle CC Chief Executive, (copies to Councillor J Collier, Chairman Development Control Committee; A C Eales, Head of Planning Services; A M Taylor, Development Control Manager; J M Egan, Head of Legal & Democratic Services; Councillor L Crookdake; Councillor T Allison) to express disappointment at the conduct of the meeting and the manner in which the conclusions were reached. In addition, there was concern regarding the lack of clarity in which Carlisle City Council Officers communicated information to the Development Control Committee Members. Following the resolution 'to approve application 04/1203, subject to a Section 106 Agreement, such Section 106 Agreement to be brought back before Members for ratification prior to completion of the same', Dalston Parish Council expected to be fully consulted with proper complete documentation being provided in sufficient time for consideration.

05/0267 Lime House School, Holm Hill, Hawksdale – erection of classroom block to provide 5no. classrooms and toilet facilities – resolved to object to the proposal because:

- 1 The design of the building was not in keeping with existing buildings on the site.
- 2 The proposed materials and appearance of the classroom block were inappropriate for a permanent building for this purpose.
- 3 The proposal would have an adverse affect on the amenity of the site.

05/0438 37 New Road – change of use from agriculture/hardstanding to create parking area for a maximum of 5 private hire buses, retention of metal storage container and erection of 2 metre high security fence around part of the parking area - resolved to express concerns regarding the change of use from agricultural land, the intrusion of the development into the open countryside and the lack of adequate screening. It was suggested that, if approved, planting of mature screening trees should be required.

05/0494 Windmill Court, Cardewlees – erection of boundary railings to the dwellings – no observations.

05/0533 Rose Castle Farm, Hawksdale – re-alignment of stock building size to provide summer midden area (resubmission 04/0591) – no observations.

## 22 QUALITY PARISH SCHEME

Letter received from Mr Clive Moth requesting an invitation to speak to the Parish Council about the Scheme – agreed that he should be asked to attend the July meeting or at a later date. The Clerk indicated that she could undertake the CiLCA portfolio, time permitting. Resolved, proposed Mr Kelsey, seconded Mr Smillie to defer consideration of the Quality Parish Scheme for the time being.

## 23 POLICY & RESOURCES AND PROPERTY & MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE DATES

Agreed to hold the meetings quarterly on the first Wednesday of the month commencing with Property & Maintenance on 6<sup>th</sup> July and Policy & Resources on 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2005. Further meetings would be held on 5<sup>th</sup> October 2005, 4<sup>th</sup> January, 5<sup>th</sup> April 2006 and 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2005, 1<sup>st</sup> February, 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2006 respectively. The Property & Maintenance Committee agenda on 6<sup>th</sup> July was to include the Cemetery access wall and a tree planting scheme. The Policy & Resources Committee, at its meeting in August was to concentrate on a Development Plan.

## 24 CORRESPONDENCE

- 1 CPCA/Carlisle CC Executive meeting 9<sup>th</sup> June 2005 – Mrs Dalton attended and reported that the main topics discussed were the new licensing policy for village halls, £40,000 budget for lampposts and litterbins, Carlisle Renaissance money for urban areas only, the strategy for Carlisle being a Learning Centre with the arts and culture included and £3,000 allocation to officer support for IT.
- 2 Dalston & Cummersdale Neighbourhood Forum meeting 13<sup>th</sup> June 2005 – Mrs Dalton reported that Mr J Smith, Cumbria Highways advised the meeting that the 30mph signs would be erected shortly and the traffic survey would be undertaken in Dalston before the summer holidays. Councillor Collier indicated that red tarmac sections on the highway might be a possibility for Dalston – to be discussed by the Parish Council at its next meeting. There was a new grants allocation system and organisations were advised to attend the meeting if applying. Extra garden waste bins were available for £25, additional green boxes were free

- and plastics recycling centres were located at the supermarkets and Bousteads Grassing.
- 3 Cumbria CC letter re bus stop improvement works – agreed to ask about a Perspex type shelter on the footway opposite St Michael’s School.
  - 4 East Cumbria Countryside Project letter clarifying contact details and areas of responsibility for public paths in Carlisle District – for information.
  - 5 CALC General meeting 22<sup>nd</sup> June copy of agenda, constitution and Statement of Policies 2005 – Messrs Craig, Auld, Mrs Dalton and the Clerk to attend.
  - 6 BT Payphones letter re proposals to re-align payphone provision to meet consumer demand – change phone box in Bridge End, Dalston to cashless instrument – no comment
  - 7 Dalston PCC invitation to Annual Village Service 19<sup>th</sup> June – the Chairman and Clerk attending.
  - 8 The Countryside Agency notification of change of address and request for progress report on signpost project – Mr Jackson to complete and return.
  - 9 Redspearlands Footpath Group Newsletter June 2005.
  - 10 Carlisle Educational Charity – grants for students’ application forms – poster to display.
  - 11 Highways Agency traffic information and road works for the NW May-August 2005.
  - 12 Carlisle International Summer Festival 2005 promotional literature..
  - 13 Gaitsgill Parent & Toddlers Group letter of thanks and receipts for grant expenditure.
  - 14 Cumbria CC pre-submission draft of Statement of Community Involvement for the Cumbria Minerals and Waste Development Framework – no comment.
  - 15 Raughton Head June magazine, Clerks & Councils Direct May 2005, Carlisle CC Committee agendas.
  - 16 Eden DC Statement of Community Involvement – Pre-submission Consultation letter – no action.
  - 17 Eden Rivers Trust – fishing survey results – for information.
  - 18 Faber Maunsell consultants for Cumbria CC and Lake District NPA – questionnaire on Rights of Way Improvement Planning in Cumbria – to refer to A Lyne, Redspearlands Footpath Group for comment.

## 25 GARDENS AND MAINTENANCE

The Cumbria in Bloom and Tidy Village competition judging was taking place on 18<sup>th</sup> July at 1.30pm. Mrs Rawstron agreed to accompany the judges, together with the Clerk and Mrs Rickerby. It was suggested that the Doctors Surgery wall required some tidying up and the Guides were to be asked to plant the wildflower plugs at Forge Green. It was reported that the Scouts had collected four bin liners of litter between the White Bridge and Hawksdale Bridge – they were to be thanked by letter and in the Parish magazines.

## 26 PARISH PLAN

An update was received on the progress with the Parish Plan printing and a further meeting of the Steering Committee was to be arranged. Copies of the Carlisle CC Housing Needs Survey analysis had been received and any action was to be discussed at the next meeting.

## 27 ACCOUNTS

Resolved to approve the following expenditure and record of income:

1	E Davidson – grave digging ashes space 25/05/05	30.00
2	B Faulder – Bridge End bus shelter repair	55.00
3	E Penrice – litterbin repairs x 2	80.49
4	British Telecom – telephone 21/02-19/05/05	95.75
5	Biffa Waste Services – Cemetery waste collection 25/06-23/09 & annual EPA charge	155.95
6	Garthside Landscapes – Cemetery maintenance 1 & extra work for Easter	951.75
7	Mrs E Auld – salary £645.33, expenses £12.80	658.13
8	E Davidson – grave digging ashes space 16/06/05	30.00

Income:

1	J Tremble – burial fee 23/05/05	261.00
2	Dalston Post Office – 20 x map packs	40.00

3	P Rowcroft & R Willatt – 1 Forge Green June rent	205.00
4	M Walsh – burial ashes fee and grave space purchase	127.00
5	J Rae – additional inscription x 2	62.00
6	T & E Allinson – 2 Forge Green June rent less rewiring disruption compensation.	190.87

The Clerk reported that the Barclays Bank Business Reserve account was being changed to a Step Saver account in August 2005.

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CEMETERY MATTERS

- a) Interments: William Hodgson 23/05/05 Ward 5 Section I Space 31  
Marion Jean Dixon 25/05/05 ashes Ward 4 Section C Space 34b  
Elsie Purdam 16/06/05 ashes Ward 4 Section B Space 24
- b) Grave space purchase: Paul Dixon Ward 4 Section C Space 34b – approved  
Additional inscriptions: James Rae – Scott memorial ‘Much loved wife, mother, nana & great grandma Marjorie Scott died 23 February 2005 Aged 78 years’ – approved..  
Sarginson memorial ‘Also a devoted husband & father William Newton Sarginson died 24<sup>th</sup> Sept.2004 Aged 92 years Loving grandparents Happy memories of you both will always stay in our hearts’ – approved.
- c) Miss Wharton had agreed to the tree being felled in her garden adjacent to the Cemetery access lane, but was unwilling to pay the cost of carrying out the work - Mr Cowen suggested that he would contact her again. The whole wall required addressing in terms of a specification being drawn up for repair. Agreed that the matter should be referred to the Property and Maintenance Committee.

The meeting closed at 9.43pm.