

DALSTON PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

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Minutes of the monthly Parish Council Meeting held at Forge Green, Dalston on Tuesday
11th July 2017.

S. Milburn Clerk

Present

Cllr Byers Cllr Craig Cllr Baxter Cllr Potter Cllr Roberts Cllr Kaye-Kreczkowski
Cllr Kyle Cllr Newton

Apologies

Cllr Ebbatson Cllr Cowen Cllr Lancaster Cllr Auld Cllr Drouet Cllr Dalton

Minutes

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 13th June 2017 were approved and signed by Cllr Byers as a true record.

Requests for Dispensations

There were no requests for dispensations.

Declarations of Interest

Cllr Kyle declared an interest in the Margaret Gore Legacy Fund.

248/17 Public Participation

Apologies were received from Cllr Allison, Cllr McKerrell and Cllr Christian. In attendance were Pat Jackson, Margaret Watling, Dallas Brewis and Sandra Stockley. Dallas expressed concerns regarding the cycle path next to Nestle stating it is extremely narrow and overgrown with nettles. The Parish Council recommended she speak to Cllr Allison, Cllr Christian and Cllr McKerrell to see if they have any funds available to cut back the area. Dallas also commented that the verge at Curthwaite has been cut back too early.

249/17 Planning Decisions and Applications

Planning Decisions:

Appn Ref: 17/0373 Petrolneos, Barras Lane, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7LX. Replacement Of Existing Three 4.5m High Petrochemical Brick Lined Storage Tanks Along With Earth Bunding By The Erection Of Two 10m High Steel Lined Tanks And Formation Of New Building Walls. Grant Permission.

Appn Ref: 17/0376 Roedene, High Bridge, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7DR. Erection Of Single Storey Carport And Pitched Roof Over Existing Garage. Grant Permission.

Appn Ref: 17/0389 Ellers Mill, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7QJ. Change Of Use To Fitness Studio (Class D2). Grant Permission.

Appn Ref: 17/0437 7 Nook Lane Close, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7JA. Proposed Two Storey Side Extension And Single Storey Rear Extension To Create Kitchen/Dining Area And 1no. Bedroom Above. Grant Permission.

Planning Applications:

Appn Ref: 17/0449 Kingswood Education Centre Greensyke, Cumdivock, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7JW. Variation Of Condition 2 (Approved Documents) Units 5&6 Change To Roof Pitches And Minor Changes To Fenestration And Access Of Previously Approved Planning Permission 12/0185. No Observations.

Appn Ref: 16/0898 Installation Of Pipe Connected To Buried Header Tank And Access Hatch (All Below Ground) Adjacent To Buckabank Weir Fish Pass; Includes Above Ground Control Box, Use Of Current Access Track And Grid Connection (Revised Application). No Observations.

Appn Ref: 17/0458 Riverside Cottage, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7QG. Proposed Single Storey Side Extension To Form Bedroom, Bathroom And Sunroom. No Observations.

Appn Ref: 17/0030/S211 37 The Green, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7QB. Works To Trees Within Dalston Conservation Area. No Observations.

Appn Ref: 17/0528 Paragon Veterinary Group, Carlisle House, Townhead Road, Dalston, CA5 7JF. Variation Of Condition 2 (Approved Documents) Of Previously Approved Permission 10/0481 For The Removal Of Perimeter Roof Detail; Addition Of Perimeter Balustrade; Relocation Of Steel Stair; Minor Changes To External Appearance. No Observations.

Consultation on a Waste County Matter Application For Planning Permission

Location: Dalston Wastewater Treatment Works, Dalston, Carlisle, Cumbria.

Proposal: Construction of new Outfall Structure.

Ref No: 1/17/9009

Grid Ref : E337793 N551199

No Observations.

250/17 Financial

This item was moved forward from agenda item 10 to agenda item 3.

- The authorisation sheet was discussed and the following payments approved.

PAYE	DESCRIPTION	CHEQUE No.	AMOUNT £
Mr N J Horn	Headstone repairs	000221	£270
Mr N J Horn	Levelling cremated remains area	000222	£850
Eric Davidson	Digging grave	000223	£320
Hospice at Home	Dalston In Bloom 2017 water feature	000224	£100
Capsticks	Village flowers	000225	£1004.64
Ronnie Auld	Dalston In Bloom	000226	£47.85
Sue Milburn	Stationary	000227	£31.52
B. Wood	Cleaning No.2 Forge Green	000228	£52
Harry Stebbing	Notice board – Cumdivock	000229	£1,230
City Of Carlisle	Council Tax	000230	£103
Pam Coke	Floral display St Michaels Church	000231	£25
Ann Byers	De registration of Forge Green	000232	£16
Ann Byers	Stationery	000233	£131.04
Ann Byers	Stationery	000234	£32.99

The Clerks / RFO agreed salary, PAYE & NI was paid.

- Dave Couling (Internal auditor) attended the meeting and gave a report and recommendations on the year ending 31st March 2017 accounts. A copy of this report is to be filed in the safe.
- The Income and Expenditure accounts for the 1st April 2017 – 30th June 2017 was circulated to the Councillors, this showed an excess of income over expenditure of £1,550 over the three months.
- Following discussion concern was expressed regarding the increasing pressure which is being put on Forge Green office in connection with Cumbria In Bloom and Britain In Bloom. It was decided this would be discussed again prior to next year's competition.

251/17 Clerk and Chairman's Report

- It was reported that Craig Mitchell has resigned from his Responsible Financial Officer position. Interviews for his replacement have taken place and Margaret Watling is to replace him. Margaret was present at the meeting and was introduced to the Council.
- A £250 grant has been received from Cumbria County Council, this will be used towards replacing the seats in the cemetery.
- It was resolved to remove the dead parts of the Hawthorn Tree on The Green. Clerk to get permission for the works.
- The Clerk reported that No.2 Forge Green is now ready to rent and stated the carpets have been fitted and the necessary electrical work has been completed. H&H King are advertising the property and finding a suitable tenant. Thanks were given to Cllr Lancaster and Cllr Newton for their help in emptying the house and outbuildings.
- Road planings have been laid at the southern end of The Green.

2512/17 Correspondence

- A cheque for £1,323.79 has been received in relation to the Margret Gore legacy fund; this covers the interest and dividends up to the 31st May 2017. The Councillors felt the letter was somewhat confusing and the Clerk was requested to write to the PCC explaining that the funds received would be spent in accordance with the Margaret Gore legacy which states the income should be used for the maintenance of the cemetery.
- A parishioner has requested bollards replace the double yellow lines that are situated in the bay near to the Cumberland Building Society, alternatively it was suggested that the kerb be moved closer to the road. It is felt that vehicles need to be prohibited from parking in this area as it makes visibility extremely poor when pulling out onto the main road. Cllr Roberts requested this be an agenda item at the next meeting as he is putting together a proposal to present to the Parish Council.
- It was resolved to have the vegetation cut back at Riverside. Clerk to arrange.
- A request has been made to put hard standing on the grass at the bus stop opposite St Michaels School. A letter of response is to be written to the parishioner stating that this land is owned by the residents of 30-36 Carlisle Road, therefore this could not be done.
- A letter from the Grange Garden Group has been received thanking the Parish Council for their funding contribution towards the gardening project at the doctor's surgery.
- Concerns have been raised in relation to the speed vehicles drive through The Grange and a parishioner has proposed a 20mph speed limit be enforced. Clerk to advise the parishioner to contact highways / Story Holmes.
- A thank you letter from Mrs Kelsey was read to the Councillors, this was in relation to the wild flower meadow at Riverside been named after her late husband John.

253/17 Summerfield Play Area

The heads of terms were circulated to the Councillors prior to the meeting. The terms were agreed and the Clerk is to request a draft lease. The Councillors were however concerned about the high legal fee, this is to be relayed to Carlisle City Council.

254/17 Speed Limit 50mph Between Newby West Roundabout And Orton Grange

The AECOM road safety review on the A595 between Thursby and Newby West roundabouts was distributed to Councillors prior to the meeting. The Councillors agreed with the 2 recommendations made. These were ghost lanes which allow safe right turns and the introduction of a 50mph speed limit. Clerk to write a letter of support of the scheme to Kevin Crawley.

255/17 Madam Banks Parking.

This item was deferred to the August meeting as the Councillors felt they would like more information on the scheme from Cllr Allison. Concerns were raised in relation to the need for the parking and the loss of green space. It was also stated that the land which would be used for the parking is extremely wet.

256/17 Silent Quarry Update

It was reported that Cllr Cowen has spoken to Chris Walters of Bingham Yates and he will be happy to help the Parish Council. Cllr Cowen has also written to Mr Sadowski (Environment Agency) requesting a site meeting and informing him of the concerns over the integrity of the river bank and the adjacent public highway. Concerns were also expressed regarding the build up of excessive gravel in the river and the fact that the course of the river had moved over towards the highway because of the gravel bed; all of this causes erosion of the embankment.

257/17 Grass Cutting Bridge End

The initial first cut quote received from Wigton Town Council was felt to be high. Clerk to contact Colin Davidson to acquire a price to cut the grass from behind the bus shelter at Bridge End to the bus stop on The Green. It was resolved that once this was completed Wigton Town Councils quote for maintaining the area was acceptable. It was also resolved to cut back the grass at Buckabank.

258/17 Cemetery Matters

- To ratify the interment of the late Eileen Place in burial plot Ward 2, Section B, Space 17 on Friday 30th June 2017 at 2pm.
- The cremated remains area within the cemetery has been levelled.
- It was reported that the surplus slates from the hearse house have been broken and damaged.
- It was also reported that the grave digger has been disposing of surplus soil from graves around the Lime trees on the river bank. An idea put forward was to deposit the soil and make a mound in the area near to the Hearse House.

259/17 Councillor Matters

- It was resolved that the Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer attend a new Clerks course on the 20th September and that the Clerk attend an Exclusive Rights to Burial course on the 5th September 2017.
- Cllr Kaye-Kreczkowski requested an update on the Gaitsgill Road closure. Cllr McKerrell is investigating this.
- Cllr Potter stated that the seat at Cumdivock has just been patched and that the wood has not been replaced as expected.
- Cllr Byers requested that Councillors who are not on email go to the office at Forge Green to collect the agenda etc on the Wednesday before the Parish Council meeting.
- Cllr Roberts asked what the situation was in relation to Barras House. Cllr Byers reported that a one to one consultation had taken place between the residents and Riverside followed by a meeting with representatives from St Michaels Church, the Methodist Chapel and the Parish Council. A report will be presented to the Parish Council at the September meeting.

Date of Forthcoming Meetings

Next meeting of The Parish Council to take place on 8th August 2017 at 7.15pm at Forge Green.
Policy & Resource Meeting Dates for 2017:- . 29th August & 7th November 2017 commencing at 7.15pm Forge Green.

Property & Maintenance Meeting dates for 2017:- 26th September, 7.15pm at Forge Green.

The meeting closed at 9.30pm.