

DALSTON PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

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Minutes of the monthly Parish Council Meeting held at Forge Green, Dalston on Tuesday 12th September 2017.

S. Milburn Clerk

Present

Cllr Byers	Cllr Craig	Cllr Baxter	Cllr Potter	Cllr Roberts	Cllr Kaye-Kreczkowski
Cllr Kyle	Cllr Newton	Cllr Auld	Cllr Ebbatson	Cllr Dalton	Cllr Drouet

Apologies

Cllr Cowen Cllr Lancaster

Michael Saint gave a short presentation on the Keep Carlisle Clean initiative.

Cllr Byers expressed her best wishes to ex Councillor and Chair Cathy Oakley and her husband Alan as they are emigrating to New Zealand on the 23rd September. A small gathering was held before the meeting for Cathy and Lindsay Cowen gave a farewell speech.

Minutes

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 8th August 2017 were approved and signed by Cllr Byers as a true record.

Requests for Dispensations

There were no requests for dispensations.

Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

269/17 Public Participation

Mr Nichol was in attendance. Cllr Allison, Cllr McKerrell and Cllr Christian gave their apologies. Cllr Allison submitted a report in regards to the parking issues in Dalston; a technical assessment from Kevin Crawley in relation to the adaption of the PC car park is to be emailed to Councillors. The report also asked the Parish Council if they would be prepared to make a one off payment to Carlisle City Council which would enable the treatment of a 0.5m wide strip along the edge of the tarmac running between Carlisle Road and the Station to be treated with herbicide. It was suggested using a narrow plough which could be attached to a small vehicle. This is to be an agenda item at the October PC meeting. It was also noted that the footpath at Dalston Hall requires attention.

270/17 Planning Decisions and Applications

Planning Decisions:

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. Grant Permission.

Appn Ref: 17/0307 Holly House, Gaitsgill, Dalston, Carlisle CA5 7AH. Proposed new dwelling. Grant Permission.

Appn Ref:17/0625 Gaitsgill Hall Farm, Gaitsgill, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7AH. Replacement Of Farm Building. Grant Permission.

Appn Ref: 17/0655 12 Lingyclose Road, Dalston, Carlisle CA5 7LB. Variation of Condition 2 of previously approved permission 12/0119 for extension to footprint and changes to appearance. Grant permission.

Planning Applications:

Appn17/0050/S211 Forge Green, Riverside, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7QG. Removal of 2no. Branches On Ash Tree In Dalston Conservation Area. No Observations.

Appn Ref: 17/0732 Thornfield Camping Cabins, Hawksdale, Dalston, Carlisle CA5 7BX. Variation of Condition 2 (Approved Documents) of Previously Approved Application 14/0659 to have 4 en-suite cabins and 2 additional cabins (Retrospective). No Observations.

271/17 Clerk and Chairman's Report

- The exclusive rights of burial course on the 5th September 2017 was cancelled due to lack of numbers.
- A complimentary talk on investing Parish funds is to take place on the 3rd October 2017 in Penrith Methodist Hall at 1-4.30pm.
- "A Parish Remembers The War Years 1939-1945" book has been given to the Parish Council; it was agreed this should be kept in the library.

272/17 Correspondence

- The CALC AGM is to be held at Carlisle Race Course on Saturday 18th November 2017 and the guest speaker is Peter McCall (Police & Crime Commissioner).

273/17 Report from P&R meeting 29th August 2017

- After receiving advice from CALC in relation to signatories the Parish Council resolved that 2 signatories would be required however this could either be 2 Councillors or 1 Councillor and the RFO. Section 6.4 in the Financial Regulations is to be amended.
- It was resolved that this year's solar panel income (5,154.35) stays in the Parish Council account as shown in the budget, this is to be reviewed at the end of the year.
- It was resolved that both the Clerk and RFO attend the monthly Parish Council meetings. The Clerk is to attend the Property & Maintenance meetings and the RFO to attend the Policy & Resource meetings.

274/17 Summerfield Lease

Cllr Byers requested that all Councillors look at the proposed Summerfield lease and submit any comments / alterations to the Clerk before the 18th September 2017. As proposed by the Policy & Resource committee it was resolved to form a sub-committee group to make the necessary alterations to the lease. It was agreed members of the group would be Cllr Byers, Cllr Kyle, Cllr Craig and Cllr Baxter. Clerk to ask Michael Smillie if he would attend the meeting as a representative for the village.

All the Councillors present agreed that the Parish Council would be prepared to take over the whole area as detailed on the plan, this includes the grass area beside the play park. The Council discussed various option for the grass area including the possibility of an outdoor gym, table tennis tables or allotments. Clerk to source more information on allotments and legal complications.

275/17 Dalston Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr Drouet proposed that the Dalston Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group have authority to make any changes to the plan that arise from the inspectors report. However if any major changes arise the Steering Group would refer the matter back to the PC for agreement. This was seconded by Cllr Auld and all Councillors present were in favour. It is hoped that if there aren't any major changes to the plan it could go to referendum in November.

276/17 Barras House

Cllr Byers gave a report from a meeting held with Riverside (Mark Martin & Jayne Grant) on the 4th July 2017 regarding the future plans for Barras House. Riverside have made personal visits to residents at Barras Close to discuss possible options and find out their views. The following options discussed were:- do nothing (leave as it is), demolition for future development, Reinstatement sheltered accommodation, open market disposal with restriction on a leasehold basis or re develop in partnership with the Parish Council/developer subject to grant funding. The residents favoured reinstatement or re development as an over 55 development; for this Riverside require evidence of the need and demand.

It was agreed that the Clerk contact Cumbrian based Housing Associations including Mitre and Castle Housing in regards to the property. Their responses are to be emailed to the Councillors. It was agreed that Cllr Dalton write an article to put into the next edition of the Parish Magazine. Riverside are to be notified of the Parish Councils intentions.

278/17 Trees Kingsway

Ray Beckworth (Britain In Bloom Judge) expressed concern regarding the chestnut tree on the Kingsway, it is weeping in areas and you are able to see through the canopy, he stated that there is a problem nationally with diseased chestnut trees. There is also issues with the cherry tree next to the Kingsway car park and on the Kingsway. It was agreed that Cllr Craig contact Phil Taylor (Eden Woodlands) to request an arboricultural report.

279/17 Bridge End Common Land / Parking

It was resolved to erect a fence similar to that at Glave Hill car park around the common land at Bridge End, 8 Councillors were in favour of the project, there was 1 abstention and Cllr Craig was against. Cllr Potter and Cllr Auld agreed to measure the area. Clerk to liaise with the planning inspectorate to ensure that planning permission is not required. The fence will be erected with gaps in between, it is hoped that more planters will also be paced on the area in the not too distant future.

280/17 Silent Quarry

Cllr Byers read a report written by Cllr Cowen in regards to Silent Quarry. Clerk to write to highways stating that the Parish Council will not take responsibility for the highway if it is damaged by flooding relating to Silent Quarry. Clerk also to speak to the Environmental Agency in relation to providing rock armour in the area.

281/17 Financial

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

Cheque	Payee	Details	£
250	Mallinson Fabrications Ltd	Make support brackets for planters outside Blue Bell	126.00
251	Capsticks	Water and maintain plants troughs and baskets mid June/End July & supply large post re tie in church yard	759.20
252	A J Routledge	Replacement Lock 2 Forge Green	78.00
253	Martin Curran	Electrical Installation Condition Reports 1 & 2 Forge Green	190.00
254	Streetmaster (South Wales) Ltd	4 Benches for Cemetery	2,673.60

255	Pat Geddes Grange Garden Group	Bulbs etc for planting under lilac tree Medical Centre and Dispensary	200.00
256	Pat Geddes Grange Garden Group	Mobile long hose for watering tubs and beds at medical centre to be stored off site and remain property of Parish Council	70.00
257	Ivan Johnston	Plants for St Michaels Church Garden front and side	23.00
258	Mr A R Auld	Carbonite Subscription for computer back up 1 yr £46.74 & sellotape hook pads £4.19	50.93
259	CALC	Subscription for Local Council Review Publication 2017/18	17.00
260	CALC	Common Land and Village Greens Course for Sue and Olly 18/7/17	150.00
261	S Milburn	September notices	9.00
262	Northern Vacuums Ltd	washing machine for 2 Forge Green	150.00
263	Dalston Charitable Trust	Contribution from 2016/17 budget as agreed at PCC meeting	1,000.00
264	Eric Davidson	Burial of Cremated Remains Betsy Gate and Ronald Craig	100.00
267	Ann Byers	Spare key for back door 2 Forge Green	4.50
268	Mr A R Auld	Picture printing and laminating	25.95
269	BDO	Audit	360.00
Total			£5,987.18

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

- It was reported that the external audit has now been completed by BDO and the annual return, audit certificate and notice of conclusion of audit will be published for 14 days.
- It was requested that all documents sent via email are appropriately named.

282/17 Cemetery Matters

- To ratify the interment of cremated remains for the late Betsy Jane Ann Fisher Gate in Ward 5, Section D, Space 44 on the 28th August 2017.
- To ratify the interment of the late Ronald Chisholm Allan Craig in Ward 4, Section C, Space 41g on the 1st September at 12 noon.
- The following additional inscription was approved for the late Valerie Coward. Also his loving wife, Valerie Coward, Died 3rd August 2017, Aged 77 years, A dear mum, grandma, And great grandma. Ward 5, Section K, Space 47.

283/17 Councillor Matters

- Cllr Byers thanked Cllr Roberts for rejuvenating and erecting the Memorial plaque for the late Phylis Thornton.
- It was resolved to fell the leaning silver birch located at the entrance to the churchyard.
- Cllr Byers thanked the festival committee for the excellent array of activities they organised over festival week.
- Cllr Potter reported that work is to commence on both Townhead Road and Station Road, the work will involve widening the road and implementing a pedestrian crossing.
- Cllr Potter reported the dangerous ruts on the verge/road outside Kingswood. Clerk to report the issue to highways and request the area is addressed.
- Cllr Craig expressed disappointment at the lack of replies to his email relating to the painting of the cycle stand in The Square.
- Cllr Kaye-Kreczkowski showed a photograph of the work to date at Bell Bridge.
- Cllr Kaye-Kreczkowski also brought a copy of the 1863 plan of Raughton Head, a copy of this will be filed in the office.
- Cllr Baxter spoke of his concern regarding the S278 monies and how it is to be spent. Clerk to contact Stephen Daniel and request an update.
- Cllr Roberts spoke of his discontent regarding emails sent relating to a parishioners request for a new access area on the Kingsway.

Date of Forthcoming Meetings

Next meeting of The Parish Council to take place on 10th October 2017 at 7.15pm at Forge Green.
Policy & Resource Meeting Dates for 2017:- . 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 9.50pm