

DALSTON PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

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Minutes of the monthly Parish Council Meeting held at the Victory Hall on the 13th March 2018.

S. Milburn Clerk

Present

Cllr Byers	Cllr Drouet	Cllr Baxter	Cllr Dalton	Cllr Roberts	Cllr Kaye-Kreczkowski
Cllr Kyle	Cllr Potter	Cllr Auld	Cllr Utting	Cllr McKerrell	

Apologies

Cllr Craig Cllr Cowen

Minutes

Resolved to authorise the Chairman to sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 13th February 2018.

Requests for Dispensations

There were no requests for dispensations.

Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

27/18 Presentation St Cuthbert's Garden Village / Carlisle Southern Link Rd

Gillian Hale & Richard Wood (Carlisle City Council) spoke in regards to St Cuthberts Garden Village. Nicola Parker (Cumbria County Council) and James Daplyn (Capita) spoke in regards to the proposed Southern Link Road. They then answered questions.

The Parish Council collated their response and the Clerk was asked to relay the following to Nicola Parker and Gillian Hale:-

1. The Parish Council strongly support the Southern Link Road.
2. On balance the Parish Council favour the green route, however feel more details are needed in order to make a more informed decision.
3. The Parish Council would much prefer a roundabout on the green route between Durdar Cross roads going South towards Penrith as opposed to the proposed bridge, as it is a well used road.
4. In relation to the Garden Village the Parish Council agreed that it should be Plan and Policy led.
5. If the Village is built the Parish Council would favour a green belt around it to make it a more discrete entity.
6. The Parish Council would not like the Village to be built by one contractor.
7. The Parish Council believes that building the Village without the Southern Link Road would cause considerable traffic problems.

28/18 Public Participation

Cllr Allison and 8 members of the public were present. Cllr Allison reported that a complaint had been made regarding vehicles parking on the lined path at the station.

He also explained that he was funding 4 extra ATC's, one at Buckabank, one at Orton Rd and two in Beaumont, this is in conjunction with the police to monitor the speed of vehicles through these areas.

29/18 Planning Decisions and Applications

Planning Decisions:

Appn Ref: 17/1107 Plot 8, Greensyke Court, Cumdivock, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7JW.

Conversion Of Existing Stone Building To Provide 2no. 2 Storey Dwellings. Grant Permission.

Appn Ref: 17/1100 2 Glave Hill, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7PZ. Single Storey Rear Extension And Roof Over Existing Extension. Grant Permission.

Planning Applications:

Appn Ref: 18/0189 Haddon Cottage, 48A The Green, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7QD. Demolition Of Existing Conservatory; Erection Of Single Storey Rear Extension To Provide Sunroom (Revised Application). No Observations.

Appn Ref: 17/0884 Land Adjacent 25 The Green, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7QB. Demolition Of Small Stone Barn And Former Terrace Of Cottages. Erection Of Single End Terrace Dwelling And Terrace Of 3no. Cottages. No Observations.

Appn Ref: 18/0130 Birds Hill Farm, Raughton, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7AQ. Installation Of Livestock/Machinery Access Track. Amended Information. No Observations.

29/18 Clerk and Chairman Report

- The boiler in No.2 Forge Green needs a replacement fan; costing in the region of £200. It was decided that the boiler should be replaced due to its age. Clerk to obtain quotes. It was agreed the work could go ahead if less than £1,750.
- A meeting with Adam Stephenson (Civil Engineer, Environmental Agency) is to be held at 9am on the 29th March 2018 to discuss Silent Quarry. Cllr Auld, Cllr Roberts, Cllr Potter and Cllr McKerrell to attend.
- The traffic count commenced on the 12th March 2018. It was agreed to try and get a university student to collate all of the counts to date. Cllr Allison offered to forward his template for collating the information to the Clerk. This is to be an agenda item at next month's meeting. Following the meeting an advert will be placed in the Parish Magazine.
- Cllr Auld proposed to consider moving the flag pole from the Church yard to the grass area outside the Co-op. This was seconded by Cllr Kyle. 7 Cllrs were in favour, 3 Cllrs were against and there were 2 abstentions. It was reported that PMS Fabrication have kindly offered to clean the flag pole free of charge.
- Details regarding information needed for the Mill Race Licence were circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting. It was agreed that the Environmental Agency were being extremely obstructive therefore this would not be pursued anymore. The Clerk was requested to write to the Environmental Agency requesting a refund for the application charges. Clerk also to write to John Stevenson.
- Permission was granted for Dalston Show Committee to use The Green for parking on Dalston Show day. Clerk to inform the Secretary and Mr Scott (tenant).

30/18 Correspondence

- Correspondence has been received regarding the lay-by opposite the Co-op, it is felt to be extremely dangerous as vehicles park there obstructing the view of vehicles pulling out onto the main Road. Clerk to contact Kevin Crawley to request the grass and kerb is extended further forward as he previously suggested. Cllr Allison kindly agreed to fund this.

- The Property & Maintenance team agreed to discuss the maintenance of the Kingsway car park at their meeting on the 21st March 2018.
- The Parish Council agreed to fill the pot holes on the parking area outside Forge Green. Clerk to organise.
- The soakaway at The Grange was discussed and it was agreed that it was Story's responsibility.
- Correspondence has been received from Dalston Cubs requesting permission to plant trees in the Parish. Permission was granted to plant the trees by the river. Cllr Roberts to be point of contact.
- A thank you letter has been received from Dalston Tennis Club thanking the Charitable Trust for its kind donation of grant funds towards their junior coaching programme.
- Information from The Local Government Boundary Commission was issued to Cllrs prior to the meeting.
- Cllr Auld showed pictures of Summerfield Play Area. The hand over was completed on the 9th March 2018. The Parish Council thanked Cllr McKerrell for her help planning the new equipment.

31/18 Lime Tree's Cemetery

The Lime trees on the river bank in the cemetery were discussed. In total there are eleven trees. It is felt they could be in danger of blowing over; the roots are also damaging the river wall and could potentially damage the sewage pipes running alongside. Cllr Roberts and the Clerk had a meeting with Orchard Landscape and he suggested that the trees are either pollarded or felled, however if they were pollarded it would not solve the issue of the root damage. To fell the trees would cost in the region of £10,000. It was agreed that Property & Maintenance team look at the trees at their meeting on the 21st March 2018.

32/18 Gas Fire

The Clerk was requested to get quotes for commercial gas / electric fires.

33/18 Financial

Chq	Payee	Details	£
334	Dalston Parish Charitable Trust	Budgeted Contribution for 2017/18	1,000.00
335	S H Electrical UK Ltd	Boiler service and fire safety check	90.00
336	Carlisle Business Supplies	Inks	76.08
337	Cumbria in Bloom	2018 Entry fee	40.00
338	Environment Agency	Environment permit	170.00
339	S Milburn	Special notices £9 Stationery £66.34	75.34
Total			£1,451.42

The Clerks / RFO agreed Salary, PAYE and National Insurance was paid.

- It was agreed to cancel the cheque for the Environment Agency (Mill Race licence).

- The list of suppliers paid by variable direct debit was approved for the 2018/19 financial year. RFO to investigate if savings could be made by combining contracts (eg telephone and broadband)
- Cllr Kyle distributed information detailing Band D properties precepts 2018/19. It was agreed that Dalston had been pitched correctly.

34/18 Cemetery Matters

- Parishioners renewing lettering on graves do not incur a charge from the Parish Council.

31/18 Councillor Matters

- Cllr Baxter is to nominate the Charitable Trust to be part of the Co-op donation scheme and encouraged other Councillors to do so
- Cllr Dalton reported raised manhole covers on Townhead Road.
- Cllr Dalton asked what the situation is regarding the planning application at Low Mill; it was also mentioned that they had removed some Willow Trees. Clerk to speak to planners.
- It was reported that a parishioner had walked into one of the barrel planters next to the Glave Hill car park.
- Cllr Auld reported that the pond at Unthank had been cleaned.
- Cllr Kyle is currently re-furbishing the Unthank bench.
- Cllr McKerrell reported the missing finger sign post at Lakerigg. This has been reported to highways.
- It was reported the removal of the BT pole opposite the Church is 'ongoing'.

Date of Forthcoming Meetings

Next meeting of The Parish Council to take place on 10th April 2018 at 7.15pm at Forge Green.

Policy & Resource Meeting Dates 2018:- 22nd May, 31st July and the 30th October.

Property & Maintenance Meeting Dates 2018:- 21st March, TBA June and 18th September.

Annual Parish Meeting 1st May 2018, 7pm in the Victory Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.20pm