

DALSTON PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

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Minutes of the monthly Parish Council Meeting held via Zoom on the 14th July 2020 at 7.15pm.

S. Milburn Clerk

Present

Cllr Byers Cllr Kyle Cllr Dinning Cllr Kaye-Kreckowski
Cllr Robson Cllr Potter Cllr Craig Cllr Drouet Cllr Baxter

Apologies

Cllr McKerrell – Carlisle City Council meeting Cllr Auld – No internet connection
Cllr Gray – Work commitments Cllr Utting – Assignment to complete

Cllr Byers notified all present that the meeting was going to be recorded. She also requested that the Councillors press their mute button and asked them to raise their hand if they want to speak.

The members of the public were advised that they could only speak in public participation and for a maximum of 3 minutes (as outlined in standing order number 3g). Cllr Byers stated that they would be asked to leave the meeting before item5 (Financial).

Minutes

Resolved to authorise the Chairman to sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the virtual Parish Council meeting on the 9th June 2020.

Requests for Dispensations

There were no requests for dispensations.

Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

49/20 Public Participation

There were no members of the public present. Cllr Allison gave his apologies due to a Carlisle City Council meeting.

50/20 Planning Applications:

Applications:

Appn Ref: 20/0375 Cardew Hall Farm, Cardew, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7JQ. Formation of Earth Lined Slurry Lagoon with Floating Cover. The PC feel that this is a professional application with an abundance of well documented information.

They do however feel that there should be some sort of monitoring system in place to check the water quality in the stream near to the bridge thus ensuring there is no pollutant seepage.

The only other concern is that due to the time constraint on this application wider members of the parish have not had the opportunity to see or air their views on this application due to the refusal of an extension for it to be discussed at the Parish Council meeting on the 14th July 2020.

Appn Ref: 20/0395 5 Bishops way, Dalston, Carlisle CA5 7LF. Erection of Two Storey and Single Storey Rear Extension To Provide Family Room on Ground Floor And 2 No. Extended Bedrooms above. No Observations.

Appn Ref: 20/0379 Cardewlees Farm, Cardewlees, Carlisle, CA5 6LE. Change Of Use Of Agricultural Field For The Stationing Of 10no. Touring Caravans (Retrospective). No Observations.

51/20 Clerk and Chairman Report

- It was reported that the flower beds outside the Co-op have been weeded.
- The Parish notice boards have been varnished. The Clerk reported that the board outside the office needs replaced. It was Resolved to go ahead with a replacement board. Clerk to arrange.
- HM Government have brought out a new gigabit broadband voucher scheme. This is an exciting opportunity for residential properties in rural areas to increase their broadband speed. Details of the scheme were circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting. Details have also been put onto the Parish Council website, notice boards and parishioners who have previously complained about the speed of their broadband have been emailed. After making enquiries into the scheme for the residents of Unthank, Cllr Kyle expressed his disappointment stating that a large amount of funding would also be needed from the residents making the scheme unviable.
- It was reported that the annual checks for the gas fire in No.1 Forge Green and the gas boiler in No.2 Forge had been completed.

52/20 Correspondence

- Concerns have been raised regarding speeding vehicles on both the B5299 between Hawksdale and the entrance to Lime House School and traffic passing Raughton Head school. This has been reported to PCSO Graham Kirkpatrick. The B5299 falls under the national speed limit and therefore is deemed unsafe for the speed watch team. Also due to Covid 19 the speed watch team are unable to work until restrictions are lifted. The speed gun will be deployed for use in Raughton Head during school term time. Cllr Allison sent confirmation that he is going to arrange for an ATC traffic count at Raughton Head and possibly Hawksdale to count and assess the volume and speed of traffic. This will be done in September 2020.
- As requested by Cllr Allison the Parish Council agreed to contribute £150 towards cutting the vegetation back on the sustrans cycle path between Cummersdale and Dalston.

53/20 Electric Vehicle Chargers Kingsway Car Park

A selection of lighting schemes were circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting. After discussion Cllr Dinning proposed the scheme for the single 3.5m light column with LED lantern (facing downwards ensuring minimum light spillage). This will be placed behind the 2 Electric Vehicle charging bays. Cllr Kaye-Kreckowski seconded this and all Councillors present were in favour.

- A copy of the amended lease was circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting. Thanks were given to Cllr Kyle and Cllr Craig for proof reading the lease and making the necessary amendments. Cllr Kyle proposed to approve the lease, this was seconded by Cllr Craig, all Councillors present were in favour. It was agreed that Cllr Kyle and Cllr Robson sign it on behalf of the Parish Council. After discussion it was agreed a solicitor would not be needed.
- A sign is to be placed underneath the entrance sign to the Kingsway Car Park reading "Vehicles using the Electric Vehicle Chargers can park overnight at the owners risk". Clerk to arrange.

54/20 Local Government Association Model Member Code Of Conduct Consultation

- The new proposed Model Member Code of Conduct was circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting. There were no comments.

55/20 Land Registry Application

In April 2020 it was resolved to discuss the land registry application further when meetings are able to convene in person. The Clerk reported that information was currently being collated to support the application and asked for a volunteer to write a statement of truth (It was recommended that one Councillor has to have been on the Council for a minimum 12 year period and the other should be the Chairman). Both Cllr Auld and Cllr Byers agreed to write a statement.

56/20 To Consider the Re opening Of Summerfield Play Area

The latest Government restrictions were circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting together with a proposed risk assessment and signage as collated by the Clerk. After careful consideration Cllr Dinning proposed to keep the play area closed, Cllr Craig seconded this and all Councillors present were in favour, this will be reviewed at the next Parish Council meeting in August. Clerk to make necessary amendments to the risk assessment and guidance for users document No.8(social distancing 2m or 1m with face covering) and No.10 (number of adults per family allowed in area).

57/20 Carlisle District (B) Removal of Payphone 90 Day Public Consultation

- The Parish Council agreed to the removal of the telephone and phone box located at the Glave Hill car park.
- Clerk to contact Jackie Collinson (representative for the parishioners at Gaitsgill) and ask for their thoughts on the removal of the telephone box there. This is to be an agenda item at the August PC meeting.

58/20 Financial

The following payments were approved

Chq	Payee	Details	£
BACS	Ceri Jones	Reimburse SH Electrical invoice for electric testing in 2 Forge Green	48.00
BACS	Sue Milburn	July notices & check noticeboards 9.00 Zoom subscription for July 14.39	23.39
BACS	Eden Fabrications	Convert pedestal bins into planters (Last year's budget)	882.00
BACS	Mark Murray	Weeding flower beds at Co-Op	31.25
575	Mark Nugent	Mole catching in churchyard	30.00
576	Legal & General	Clerks pension contributions for 2019/20 (Last year's budget)	441.74
577	Aegon	RFO pension contribution arrears for 2017/18, 2018/19 £353.31 RFO pension contributions for 2019/20 £244.88 (Last year's budget)	598.19
BACS	Gary Martin	Varnish Parish noticeboards	152.00
BACS	Margaret Watling	Bullguard Internet security subscription 49.99 ink & file dividers 20.00 Sanitizer& antibacterial wipes 6.04	76.03
Total			£2,282.60

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

- Accounts for the three months to 30th June 2020 had been circulated prior to the meeting. The RFO advised that the figures for the first quarter of the year do not usually show anything unexpected. The income was on budget despite the cemetery being closed. However due to the coronavirus lockdown, expenditure was less than expected particularly on parish general maintenance. The next quarter should see a catch up in activity with invoices for planting due to arrive and work on the lighting and electric vehicle charging points in the Kingsway Car Park starting. No queries were raised on the accounts.
- Discussion took place around the maintenance of the area along the Mill Race between the White Bridge and the Factory which has previously been cut by a parishioner on a voluntary basis. It was approved by a vote of 5 for, 1 against and 2 abstentions that the Wigton Town Council variation order be accepted to trim 100m along both sides of the path by the Mill Race and a short section between the White bridge and the Mill Race. The area will be trimmed 6 times per cutting season at a cost of £20 per cut. The initial cut will cost £40.

59/20 Cemetery

- The following additional inscription for the late Herbert Renyard was approved. Also Herbert died 29th April 2020 aged 75 years, loving husband, brother, brother in law, grandad and great grandad. A photo plaque 10cm x 8cm to match existing.
- It was agreed that interments can re commence at St Michaels Church.
- It was reported the number of mourners able to attend funerals has increased to 30 following new Government guidelines.
- It was agreed to take the padlock off the gate at St Michaels Church and remove the barriers.

60/20 Councillor Matters

- Cllr Kaye-Kreckowski reported a number of vehicles parking on the roadside at Rose Bridge, as the road is narrow on the hill leading to Raughton Head it is only leaving enough room for one vehicle to pass at a time thus raising safety concerns. Cllr Byers to report to PCSO Graham Kirkpatrick.
- Concerns were raised regarding a gentleman exercising two lurcher dogs whilst driving his vehicle. Cllr Byers to report incident to PCSO Graham Kirkpatrick.
- Cllr Potter stated that the 30mph signs on Station Rd are dilapidated and need replaced. Some time ago the RFO requested that one of the signs be placed at the entrance to Barras Close extending the original 30mph zone. RFO to follow up and refer issue to Cllr Allison.
- On behalf of Councillor Allison Cllr Byers reported that the proposed 30mph speed limit going through Stockdalewath is going out for consultation following a suggestion that the speed limit be extended beyond the original village signs.

Date of Forthcoming Meetings

Next meeting of the Parish Council to take place via zoom on the 11th August 2020

Policy & Resource Meeting Dates for 2020: 27th October at Forge Green

Property & Maintenance Meeting dates for 2020: 29th September.

The meeting closed at 8.35pm