

## **DALSTON PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES**

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Minutes of the monthly Parish Council Meeting held in the Victory Hall on the 8<sup>th</sup> June at 7.15pm.

S. Milburn Clerk

Cllr Byers informed the Council of the covid 19 protocol.

### **Present**

Cllr Byers Cllr Irving Cllr Drouet Cllr Kyle Cllr Craig Cllr Dinning Cllr Robson  
Cllr McKerrell Cllr Kaye-Krzeczkowski Cllr Potter Cllr Baxter Cllr Auld

### **Apologies**

Cllr Dickinson

### **Minutes**

**Resolved** to authorise the Chairman to sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting held on the 18<sup>th</sup> May 2021. Addition to be made to planning application 21/0245 (Refuse Permission).

### **Requests for Dispensations**

There were no requests for dispensations.

### **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **72/21 Public Participation**

Cllr Allison, Helen Renyard (Lead Officer, Flood & Development, Cumbria County Council) and 4 members of the public were present. A member of the public spoke in relation to the flooding issue on The Green.

### **73/21 Flooding The Green**

Helen Renyard advised the Council that Cumbria County Council receive funding for flood prevention from the Environmental Agency and Defra every 6 years and that Dalston are programmed to be looked at in the next round of funding in 2027. Funding allocations are based on the number of properties at risk within an area, therefore areas with a high number of properties at risk will be higher on the priority list.

Helen said that a desk top survey had been carried out on Dalston to understand the dynamics of the catchment from modelling. It is intended that this will be supported by a levelling survey on various locations within the village. GPS ground levels will be taken, they will look at how the flows operate and detect the pipework which is failing to cope with the water capacity. On completion of the survey they will be in a better position to understand which short term and long term projects could be taken forward. Cumbria County Council are currently in the process of purchasing the surveying equipment and the Council were advised that this could take up to 4-6 weeks.

Helen also advised the Council that Landowners need to get consent from Cumbria County Council / Environmental Agency before doing any work on their land which might alter the water course. The Land Drainage Act enables the relevant authority to enforce an order on the landowner to reinstate any unauthorised works back to its original status. Andidrain completed a drainage report for the village in October 2016. 5 years on from the report Cllr Auld asked Helen if she felt the drainage system is still fit for purpose today, she suspected that they won't meet today's standards however this is something that will be studied.

It was also noted that some time ago David Bell (Cumbria County Council) had agreed to calculate the runoff water in the catchment area, this was never completed.

The Parish Council strongly requested that Cumbria County Council complete the survey as soon as possible as an action plan is needed to future proof Dalston from further flooding. Concerns were also raised regarding how the devolution may impact this from moving forward.

Helen agreed to come back to a future Parish Council meeting on completion of the levelling survey to detail her findings.

#### **74/21 Planning Applications:**

##### **Decisions:**

**Appn Ref: 21/0199** Rose Castle, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7BZ. Proposed New Entrance Porch To Percy's Tower And Alterations To Existing Road Access. Grant Permission.

**Appn Ref: 21/0229** Sunny Croft, Cumdivock, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7JJ. Erection of replacement dwelling. Grant Permission.

**Appn Ref: 21/0250** Keepers Barn, Raughton, Dalston, Carlisle CA5 7AQ. Erection of Single Storey Rear Extension to Provide Sunroom. Grant Permission.

**Appn Ref: 21/0123** Lambfield Farm, Raughton Head, Carlisle, CA5 7DL. Erection Of Agricultural Building Over An Existing Outdoor Silage Pit. Grant Permission.

**Appn Ref: 21/0272** Greensyke House, Greensyke Lane, Cumdivock, Dalston, Carlisle CA5 7JD. Erection Of Summer House (Revised Application). Grant Permission.

**Appn Ref: 21/0247** Gable End, Townhead Road, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7JF. Demolition of Existing Garage; Replacement With Single Storey Side and Rear Extension To Provide Enlarged Kitchen/Dining Room, Utility, Playroom And Garage. Grant Permission.

**Appn Ref: 21/0258** 29 The Green, Dalston, Carlisle CA5 7QB. Erection Of Single Storey Extensions To Provide Entrance Area With Canopy To Front And Store To Side; Conversion Of Existing Garage Into Additional Living Accommodation With Installation Of Bay Window To Front. Grant Permission.

**Appn Ref: 21/0213** The Croft, Cardewlees, Carlisle, CA5 6LE. Change Of Use Of Agricultural Land To Domestic Garden (Retrospective/Revised Application). Grant Permission.

##### **Applications:**

**Appn Ref: 21/0363** Dobcross Hall, Gaitsgill, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7AW. Proposed Livestock Building. Deferred.

**Appn Ref: 21/0364** Dobcross Hall, Gaitsgill, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7AW. Erection Of General Purpose. Deferred.

**Appn Ref: 21/0419** Dobcross Hall, Gaitsgill, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7AW. Erection Of General Purpose Agricultural Building. Deferred.

**Appn Ref: 21/0420** Dobcross Hall, Gaitsgill, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7AW. Erection Of General Purpose Agricultural Building. Deferred.

**Appn Ref: 21/0421** Dobcross Hall, Gaitsgill, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7AW. Erection Of General Purpose Agricultural Building. Deferred.

**Appn Ref: 21/0424** Dobcross Hall, Gaitsgill, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7AW. Erection Of General Purpose Agricultural Building. Deferred.

**Appn Ref: 21/0429** Dobcross Hall, Gaitsgill, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7AW. Erection Of General Purpose Agricultural Building. Deferred.

**Appn Ref: 21/0430** Dobcross Hall, Gaitsgill, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7AW. Erection Of General Purpose Agricultural Building. Deferred.

**Appn Ref: 21/0474** Land to South of Raughtonhead C of E Primary School, Raughton Head, Carlisle, CA5 7DD. Variation of Condition 2 (Approved Documents) of Previously Approved Permission 18/1132 (Erection of 5 no. Dwellings) For Minor Changes to Design of Plots 3 & 4 & Change To Some Materials. No Observations.

**Appn Ref: 21/0502** Church Farmhouse, 2 The Square, Dalston, Carlisle CA5 7PJ. Variation of Condition 2 (Approved Documents) of Previously Approved 16/1059 To Install Window In Bathroom And Rooflight In Bedroom Along With Internal Mezzanine Floor Over Part Of Bedroom To Unit 1. No Observations.

**Appn Ref : 21/0506** Church Farmhouse, 2 The Square, Dalston, Carlisle CA5 7PJ. Variation of Condition 2 (Approved Documents) of Previously Approved Listed Building Consent 16/1060 To Install Window In Bathroom And Rooflight In Bedroom Along With Internal Mezzanine Floor Over Part Of Bedroom To Unit 1. No Observations.

**Appn Ref: 21/0469** Nook House, Cumdivock, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7JL. Erection Of Agricultural Building To Provide New Milking Parlour And Dairy; Roofing Over Outside Cattle Feeding Area. No Observations.

**Appn Ref: 21/0538** 23 Caldew Drive, Dalston, Carlisle CA5 7NS. Single Storey Rear Extension To Provide Additional Living Accommodation; First Floor Extension Above Existing Garage To Provide 1no. En-Suite Bedroom. No Observations.

**Appn Ref: 21/0543** Birds Hill Farm, Raughton, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7AQ. Erection of General Purpose Agricultural Building For Crop Storage And Stock. No Observations.

**Appn Ref: 21/0550** 58 Lingyclose Rd, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7LB. Erection Of Single Storey Side Extension To Provide Enlarged Kitchen / Sunroom. No Observations.

#### **75/21 Clerk and Chairman Report**

- The next Property and Maintenance meeting is to take place on the 29<sup>th</sup> June 2021.
- It was reported that the padlock on the kissing gate on The Green close to the White Bridge had been broken. A replacement was ordered and Ian Newton kindly replaced it.

#### **76/21 Correspondence**

A public consultation on the Lake District National Park Partnership's Plan 2020-2025 has been launched and will run from the 25<sup>th</sup> May until the 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2021. The details were circulated to the Councillors prior to the meeting.

#### **77/21 Bridge End Grass Cutting**

Cllr McKerrell proposed that the grass behind the bus shelter at Bridge End be cut every 2 weeks per cutting season to a length of 35-75mm as detailed in the grass cutting contract. Cllr Dinning seconded this. 8 Councillors were in favour and there was 1 abstention.

#### **78/21 Dalston Public Toilets**

Correspondence regarding the closure of the village toilets and subsequent urinating on a section of land next to Moryn House was circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting. Mark Irwin (Carlisle City Council) reported that the hand wash unit in the men's toilet was faulty hence the closure. The toilets have now been re-opened.

The Clerk reported that a SIM application had been sent to HM Land Registry to find out who owns the section of land in question between Moryn House and the Kingsway car park as requested at the April 2021 PC meeting. This item will be discussed further on receipt of the search results.

#### **79/21 Bat Survey**

It was stated that it was proving difficult to source quotations for a bat survey to be carried out on the roof at Forge Green and only 1 firm out of 6 has provided a quote. It was resolved to proceed with S.A.P. Ecology & Environmental Ltd who have submitted a quote for £547.50 + VAT.

#### **80/21 Kingsway Car Park Weeding**

Clerk to source licensed contractors and quotations.

#### **81/21 Solar Panel Income**

Cllr Auld proposed this year's £5,665.31 solar panel income be transferred to the Charitable Trust. This is to be reviewed next year. Cllr McKerrell seconded this and all Councillors present were in favour. The Charitable Trust trustees are also to be reviewed next year.

#### **82/21 No.1 Forge Green Kitchen**

It was reported that the kitchen in No.1 Forge Green needs replaced. An initial quotation from Andersons was circulated to the Councillors prior to the meeting. Clerk to source 2 further quotations. The 3 quotations will be presented to the Councillors before a final decision is made.

#### **83/21 Village Entrance Signs**

Resolved – Cubby's to install 3 no. village entrance signs for a sum of £410.80 + VAT.

#### **84/21 Financial**

The below payments were approved.

<b>Chq</b>	<b>Payee</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>£</b>

BACS	Sue Milburn	Notices for June	9.00
BACS	M Broatch	Office Window Cleaning 19/5/21	5.00
BACS	Dalston Victory Hall	Hire of hall for May Parish Council meeting	50.00
Chq 693	Legal & General	Pension Contributions for the Clerk	418.39
Chq 694	Aegon	Pension Contributions for the RFO	316.13
Chq 695	Carol Douglas	Dalston in Bloom Grant to 'The Square'	30.00
Total			£828.52

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

- Approved – Zurich Insurance payment £1,570.98 by bank transfer on the 28<sup>th</sup> May 2021.
- Approved – Land Registry payment £4 (chq no. 692) on the 26<sup>th</sup> May 2021.
- Approved – The public will be able to exercise their right to inspect the accounting records between the 21<sup>st</sup> June 2021– 30<sup>th</sup> July 2021.

### 85/21 Cemetery

There were no cemetery matters.

### 86/21 Councillor Matters

- Cllr Auld spoke regarding the pot holes outside the Glave Hill car park. He was advised that these have been reported (Reference no. W2181045782).
- Cllr Auld also reported a pot hole and water leak on the road between Orchard House and the Unthank junction. Cllr Allison is to meet Mark Wilson at the location to discuss.
- Cllr McKerrell reported that she had attended a Carlisle City Council planning meeting and they mentioned the Dalston Neighbourhood Plan which is very encouraging.
- Cllr Drouet asked if Charge My Street had provided the additional information (where the users are from) as requested at last month's meeting. Clerk stated the information had not yet been provided.
- Cllr Baxter requested that the replacement seat at Smithfield be slightly higher to cater for those with mobility issues.
- Cllr Potter reported that the Recreation sign is concealed by vegetation. Cllr Dinning stated that the sign is to be replaced and it was in hand.
- Cllr Kaye-Krzeczkowski thanked the Parish Council for the litter pickers and said they will be well used in Raughton Head.

### Date of Forthcoming Meetings

The monthly Parish Council meeting is to take place in the Victory Hall on the 12<sup>th</sup> July 2021 at 7.15pm.  
 Policy & Resource Meeting Dates for 2021: 26<sup>th</sup> October 2021 at 7.15pm the location to be confirmed. An additional meeting in between to be arranged if required.  
 Property & Maintenance Meeting dates for 2021: 29<sup>th</sup> June.

The meeting closed at 9pm.

