

## **DALSTON PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES**

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Minutes of the monthly Parish Council Meeting held in Primrose Hall, Gaitsgill on the 8<sup>th</sup> February 2022 at 7.15pm.

S. Milburn Clerk

Emma Field (Woodland Project Manager for Pryor & Rickett Silviculture) and her colleague Sam Roberts spoke about the opportunities available for landowners to create woodlands to enhance areas of land and attract wildlife to the area.

### **Present**

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

### **Apologies**

The following apologies were approved:-

Cllr Dinning – Covid

Cllr Utting – Health reasons

Cllr Dickinson – Dalston Tennis Club Committee Meeting

### **Minutes**

**Resolved** to authorise the Chairman to sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the monthly Parish Council meeting held on the 11<sup>th</sup> January 2022.

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### **Requests for Dispensations**

Cllr McKerrell agenda item 5 (bus route 74/75).

### **Declarations of Interest**

Cllr Robson agenda item 3 (planning application 22/0036).

### **16/22 Public Participation**

Cllr Allison sent his apologies due to covid isolation. One parishioner was in attendance, she stated that the request to place a picnic table on the grass area just outside Gaitsgill had been refused however an appeal has been submitted. The parishioner also handed in a grant application form to the Charitable Trust for defibrillator funding.

### **17/22 Pryor & Rickett Silviculture Chartered Foresters**

The Clerk confirmed that Carlisle City Council had done the relevant checks on their mapping system and confirmed that the area of common land at Chalk Foot was not a RAMSAR site (wetland site of international importance) also it is not a special area of conservation, a special protection area or a SSSI (site of special scientific interest). Therefore permission to plant on the land would not be needed from Natural England or DEFRA. The Clerk also confirmed that trees and shrubs can be planted on common land without consent so long as they do not form a continuous barrier.

Following the presentation and discussion it was agreed the newly formed Wildlife and Biodiversity Group meet at the common land to discuss the idea further. Their recommendations will then be presented to the Parish Council.

### **18/22 Planning Applications:**

#### **Decisions:**

**Appn Ref: 21/0955** Rocafosca, Barras Brow, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7NA. Demolition of Existing Flat Roofed Extensions To North And South Elevations; Erection of Replacement Single Storey Extension To Provide Lounge/Sunroom To The

South; Erection of Replacement Single Storey Extension To Provide New Entrance And Dining Room; Erection of Replacement Garage. Grant Permission.

**Appn Ref: 21/1095** Thackwood Farm, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7DT. Roofing Over Sheep Pens & Extension To Existing Building. Grant permission

**Appn Ref:21/1038** Dalston Highways Depot, Barras Lane Industrial Estate, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7ND. Erection Of Salt Dome. Grant Permission.

**Appn Ref: 21/1057** Moss End farm, Welton Road, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7EL. Change Of Use Of Agricultural Land For The Siting Of 6no. Holiday Camping Pods. Grant Permission.

**Appn Ref: 21/1009** Rose Castle, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7BZ. Variation Of Condition 2 (Approved Documents) Of Previously Approved Listed Building Consent 18/0727 (Refurbishment Of Grade 1 Listed Castle To Include Asbestos Removal; Re-Wiring; Re-Plumbing; Re-Decorating; New Foul And Surface Water Drains; Replacement Roof Lanterns And New Laylights; New Rooflights; Repairs To Roof; New En-Suite Bath And Shower Rooms; New Lift; New Entrance Lobby And New West Facing Door; New Kitchens And Plantroom (LBC) For Alterations To Ground & Upper Floors And External Works. Grant Permission.

### **Applications:**

It was stated that there was a planning application on the Carlisle City Council website for Chalkfoot Farm, Dalston for the change of use of agricultural building to 1no. dwelling. Clerk to investigate.

**Appn Ref: 22/0025** Land adjacent Alpine Cottage, Raughton Head, Carlisle, CA5 7DD. Variation Of Condition 2 (Approved Documents) & 6 (Landscaping Scheme) Of Previously Approved Application 13/0423 (Erection Of 1no. Dwelling) To Amend The Design Of The Dwelling. The Parish Council would like the dwelling to be rendered as opposed to brick as this will be in keeping with the other houses in the area.

**Appn Ref:22/0036** 28 The Square, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7PY. Change Of Use Of Dwelling To Office On Ground Floor With Associated Storage Above. The building is part of The Manor House and has been a landmark in The Square for many years. The Parish Council don't want to lose a listed dwelling in The Square. They also have safety concerns regarding the location of the 2 proposed parking spaces.

**Appn Ref:22/0037** 28 The Square, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7PY. Change Of Use Of Dwelling To Office On Ground Floor With Associated Storage Above (LBC). As above.

**Appn Ref: 22/0049** Chapel Cottage, Indian King Yard, The Square, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7PY. Demolition Of Garage & Sunroom & Erection of Single Storey Extension On Same Footprint To Provide Home Office, Bathroom, Utility & New Sunroom; Demolition of Conservatory & Erection Of Single Storey Side Extension To Provide Sunroom; Erection of Detached Car Port. No Observations.

**Appn Ref: 22/0056** Orton Grange Park, Grange Park Road, Orton Grange, Carlisle, CA5 6LT. Erection of 2no. Domestic Storage Buildings (Retrospective) & Double Garage. The Parish Council would like a restriction to be put onto the application preventing the garages being converted into dwellings in the future. They do not want it to become a replica of what has happened at The Bridge End Inn.

Appn Ref: 22/0011/S211 Riverside Cottage, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7QG. Removal Of Oak Tree. No Observations.

Appn Ref: 22/0009/S211 Walk Mill House, Eilers Mill Lane, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7QH. Removal Of 1no. Macrocarpa, 1no. Multi-Stemmed Holly, 3no. Leylandi & 1no. Holly; Crown Lift Low Growing Trees In Dalston Conservation Area. No Observations.

### **NOTIFICATION OF AMENDED DETAILS/FURTHER INFORMATION**

**Appn Ref: 21/0419** Dobcross Hall, Gaitsgill, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7AW. Erection Of General Purpose Agricultural Building. No Observations.

**Appn Ref: 21/0420** Dobcross Hall, Gaitsgill, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7AW. Erection Of General Purpose Agricultural Building. No Observations.

**Appn Ref: 21/0421** Dobcross Hall, Gaitsgill, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7AW. Erection Of General Purpose Agricultural Building. No Observations.

**Appn Ref: 21/0424** Dobcross Hall, Gaitsgill, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7AW. Erection Of General Purpose Agricultural Building. No Observations.

**Appn Ref: 21/0429** Dobcross Hall, Gaitsgill, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7AW. Erection Of General Purpose Agricultural Building. No Observations.

**Appn Ref: 21/0430** Dobcross Hall, Gaitsgill, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7AW. Erection Of General Purpose Agricultural Building. No Observations.

**Withdrawn Applications:**

**Appn Ref: 21/1003** Bishops Lough Farm, The Gill, Dalston, Carlisle CA5 7JP. Certificate Of Lawful Existing Development For The Storage & Sale Of Motor Vehicles, Caravans & Associated Items.

**Appn Ref: 21/0841** Land adjacent Tanglewood, Grange Park Road, Orton Grange, Carlisle, CA5 6LT. Erection Of 1no. Single Storey Dwelling.

**Appeal Secretary Of State**

**Appn Ref: 20/0681 / APP/E0915/W/21/3286925.** Bowe Dairy Farming, Chalk Lodge, Cumdivock, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7JL. Roofing Over Of Existing Open Silage Clamp Area.

**19/22 Clerk and Chairman Report**

- The Parish Council meeting on the 8<sup>th</sup> March is to be held at Primrose Hall, Gaitsgill at 7.15pm.
- The Policy and Resource meeting on the 1<sup>st</sup> March is to be held at Forge Green at 7.15pm.
- The Clerk reported that the installation of the seat at Smithfield could cost in the region of £400 as it will take 2 men to complete the works, this was approved by the Councillors. Funding is available from the Charitable Trust Co-op fund and the Carlisle City Council Restarting Communities grant.
- The Clerk reported that 2 memorial trees had been planted on The Green (1 Oak tree and 1 Chestnut tree). It was also noted that an Oak tree had been planted on The Green in honour of The Queen's Platinum Jubilee, the tree has been registered with the HM Lord-Lieutenant of Cumbria.
- It has been reported that there are mice in the loft above No.1 Forge Green. Due to the presence of bats in the roof space the only remedy would be to set traps. Clerk to inform tenant.

**20/22 Correspondence**

Changes to the 74/75 bus service route will see the service:-

- operate Monday to Friday only.
- only operate between 09:28 and 14:23 with three trips from Dalston toward Cotehill and two returns
- operate every two hours instead of hourly.
- No longer serve Glebe Close in Dalston, Durranhill, or Broomfallen Road in Scotby.
- Renumbered so all journeys are 75, and no longer running in a loop between Scotby and Cotehill..

Correspondence has been received from several parishioners strongly objecting to the reduction in service.

A letter has been received from Reays explaining that they have had correspondence with Cumbria County Council over guidelines which had been issued to them by the Department Of Transport in regards to allocated funding which was for purposes of protecting bus services at an unsustainable low point. This funding was not utilised.

It was agreed that Cllr Byers emails all those on the mailing list for the Village newsletter to request individuals submit their concerns and disappointment on the reduction in service to Cumbria County Council.

Cllr Mc Kerrell stated that a City Councillor has written to John Stevenson MP regarding the matter.

**21/22 Dalston Parish Charitable Trust**

- Cllr Auld proposed that clause 9.10 of the Dalston Charitable Trust Declaration of Trust document be amended from “ No Trustee shall hold office for a continuous period of more than 5 years” to “Preferably no Trustee shall hold office for a continuous period of more than 5 years” This was seconded by Cllr Kaye-Krzeczkowski and all Councillors present were in favour.
- Cllr Kyle asked if any members of the Parish Council would like to become a trustee for the Charitable Trust. The current trustees are Cllr Kyle, Cllr Ebbatson, Cllr Craig, Cllr Dinning and Michael Smillie.

**22/22 Damp Above The Office Door Forge Green**

The Clerk reported damp above the office front door in Forge Green and circulated pictures to the Councillors prior to the meeting. Following discussion, it was agreed to remove the damp plaster in order to try and locate where the problem is coming from.

**23/22 Platinum Jubilee Celebrations 2<sup>nd</sup> June – 5<sup>th</sup> June**

Cllr Mckerrell reported that preparations for the celebrations were underway. Cllr Ebbatson agreed to build the Beacon which will be lit at 9.15pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> June. There will also be a picnic on The Kingsway on the 5<sup>th</sup> June with activities taking place on the Green. The Border Band and a piper have also been booked.

#### 24/22 Grazing Agreement For The Green

Cllr Byers and Cllr Kaye-Krzczkowski signed the agreement on behalf of the Parish Council.

#### 25/22 Local Government Reorganisation Update

Cllr Kyle reported the latest Local Government Reorganisation newsletter stated there was a portfolio of 1,852 assets across the County. Cllr Byers has tried to obtain details of the assets which are in Dalston Parish.

Cllr Kyle suggested the Council should try to find a Parish Council similar to Dalston in one of the areas where reorganisation has already taken place to seek their opinions and advice on how the process had gone and what to look out for going forward. The RFO will consult CALC with West Northamptonshire and Dorset being possible areas to contact. It was decided to invite Jason Gooding to speak at the Annual Parish meeting when the Shadow Authorities will be in place. Clerk/RFO will look at possible dates to hold the meeting.

#### 26/22 Financial

The below payments were approved.

Chq	Payee	Details	£
BACS	Sue Milburn	Key for Kingsway Bollard	12.00
BACS	M Broatch	Window Cleaning 17/1/22	5.00
BACS	Wigton Town Council	Grasscutting Oct- Dec 2021 Parish Grasscutting Oct- Dec 2021 Cemetery Vat	3134.54 1853.54 997.62 5,985.70
BACS	Cumbria Software Systems	New Printer	498.00
BACS	Watsign	Sign for Walk Mill gate	34.80
BACS	S.A.P. Ecology & Environmental Limited	Bat Activity Survey	1,467.60
BACS	M Watling	Scissors, glue, paper clips, kettle, toilet rolls	27.60
Chq 713	Eric Davidson	Gravedigging Rickerby & Buchanan	100.00
Chq 714	Primrose Hall	Hire meeting room for 8 February PC meeting	15.00
Chq 715	M Capstick	Supply & plant 2 memorial trees and an Oak for Queens Jubilee	499.20
BACS	Carlisle Business Supplies	Printer ink	278.40
Total			£8,923.30

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

**27/22 Cemetery**

The following cemetery matters were approved:

- The interment of the late Isabella Buchanan in Ward 4, Section C, Space 31a on the 18<sup>th</sup> January 2022.

**28/22 Councillor Matters**

- Cllr Byers thanked Cllr Ebbatson and his wife for removing the wreaths from the Church.
- Cllr Robson reported that a parishioner had complimented the cleanliness of the public toilets.
- Cllr Robson stated that a tree survey is to be carried out on the rotten and damaged trees on Bishops Way at the concerned parishioner's expense. This item was discussed at last months Parish Council meeting (minute 04/22).

**Date of Forthcoming Meetings**

The monthly Parish Council meeting is to take place in Primrose Hall, Gaitsgill on the 8<sup>th</sup> March 2022 at 7.15pm.

Policy & Resource Meeting Dates for 2022: 1<sup>st</sup> March & 18<sup>th</sup> October.

Property & Maintenance Meeting dates for 2022: 19<sup>th</sup> April & 28<sup>th</sup> June.

The meeting closed at 9.25pm