

## DALSTON PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

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Minutes of the monthly Parish Council Meeting held at Forge Green on the 9<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at 7.15pm.

S. Milburn Clerk

### **Present**

Cllr McKerrell (Chair) Cllr Kyle Cllr Kaye-Krzeczkowski Cllr Melrose  
Cllr Potter Cllr Irving Cllr Byers Cllr Dinning Cllr Drouet Cllr Clarkson Webb

### **Apologies**

The following apologies were approved:-

Cllr Baxter – Holiday  
Cllr Robson – Holiday  
Cllr Newton – Illness  
Cllr Craig – Illness  
Cllr Ebbatson – Work Commitments

### **Minutes**

**Resolved** to authorise the Chairman to sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 12th March 2024.

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### **Requests for Dispensations**

There were no requests for dispensations.

### **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **32/24 Public Participation**

Cllr Allison and 4 members of the public were present.

Cllr Allison raised 2 issues on behalf of a parishioner. The first being inconsiderate parking on Nine Rigg. The second a request for the reinstatement of the double yellow lines opposite St Michaels School. The RFO reported that a letter had been sent to Caldew School asking if they could make provision for students to park in the school grounds, a picture detailing the dangers of double parking on this section of road is also to be sent to the school. In regard to the double yellow lines this was reported to highways on the 8<sup>th</sup> March 2023 and is still outstanding.

Cllr Allison also reported that he has emailed Abigail Dodds with 3 options to preventing vehicles parking on the double yellow lines opposite the Victory Hall. The Parish Council to be made aware of the proposed option before works carried out.

A member of the public spoke regarding an incident which happened on Bishops Way. A dog was hit by a vehicle and killed; the driver failed to stop. A request to implement a one-way system in the estate was requested. Cllr Allison agreed to meet the parishioner.

A parishioner spoke regarding Cumbria in Bloom, a meeting has been arranged for volunteers that will take place on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April in St Michaels Church at 10.30am. It was agreed the Clerk write to both Caldew and Lime House School to ask if the Duke of Edinburgh students would be willing to volunteer. It was noted that Cumbria In Bloom provide the necessary insurance.

2 parishioners requested the Parish Council employ a part time gardener. A Property & Maintenance meeting is to be held on the 17<sup>th</sup> April 2024 that will enable the Council to produce a schedule of gardening works (the Co-op flower beds will be part of this). These works will then be priced, and a decision will be made whether to go ahead with the work.

A parishioner spoke regarding a survey which had been undertaken on the fences around the common land at Walk Mill.

### **33/24 Planning:**

#### **Decisions:**

**Appn Ref: 24/0015** Land South of Cardewlees Farm, Cardewlees, Carlisle, CA5 6LE. Siting Of Shipping Container To Be Used For Catering Facilities For Use By Campers And The General public. Grant Permission.

#### **Applications:**

**Appn Ref: 24/0194** Cardew Hall Farm, Cardew, Dalston, Carlisle CA5 7JQ. Variation of Condition 2 (Approved Documents) Of Previously Approved Permission 20/0375 (Formation Of Earth Lined Slurry Lagoon With Floating Cover) To Increase Its Working Capacity And Installation Of Synthetic Liner. No Observations.

**Appn Ref: 24/0202** Haythwaite Lane Farm, Raughton Head, Carlisle, CA5 7DE. Erection Of Covered Slurry Store. No Observations.

**Appn Ref: 24/0179** Ellers Mill, Ellers Mill Lane, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7QJ. Change Of Use And Erection Of First Floor To Former Canteen To Provide 3no. Dwellings. No Observations.

### **34/24 Clerk and Chairman Report**

- A parishioner's request for a copy of the last 2 leases for No.2 Walk Mill was approved. Their request for contact details of the Planning Inspectorate was declined due to data protection. The request to have an agenda item for removal of Walk Mill fences was also refused as this issue was concluded at the Parish Council meeting in March (minute number 26/24). The challenge against the survey for the removal of the fences was discussed.
- It was agreed to hold the defibrillator training on a suitable date in July, this will take place in the Victory Hall. A notice is to be placed in the parish paper and the Clerk to book the venue. Date to be confirmed in due course.
- The Rural Funtime days will run on the 31<sup>st</sup> July, 14<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> August 2024.
- The Victory Hall is to hold their Annual General Meeting in the hall on the 18<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at 7pm, everyone is welcome. There are currently vacancies on the management committee.

### **35/24 Correspondence**

- Network Rails structural team have reported that they haven't got any plans at the moment to do any maintenance work on the Dalston railway footbridge as requested by a parishioner. Clerk to speak to Wetheral Parish Council to ask who did works to the bridge there.
- A letter has been received objecting to parking lines in The Square. Parishioner has been advised to attend the Annual Parish Meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup> May as this is to be an agenda item.
- Dalston Show Committees request to use The Green for parking on Dalston Show day was approved. Clerk to inform the tenant.

### **36/24 Annual Parish Meeting 7<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

The following agenda was approved:-

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting 2023.
3. Chairman's Annual Report of the Parish Council.
4. Questions on the Chairman's Report.
5. Statement of the Parish Council's accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 – Margaret Watling (Responsible Financial Officer)
6. Dalston Charitable Trust Update – Cllr Kyle.
7. Dalston Festival 2024 Update – Dave Fowler.
8. D-Day 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations 6<sup>th</sup> June 2024 -Cllr Dinning.
9. Dalston In Bloom 2024 Report – Cllr Byers.
10. Parking The Square.

11. Open Questions.

**37/24 Common Land**

- Due to the absence of Cllr Ebbatson the Lakerigg item was deferred.
- It was agreed that the section on The Green by the Jubilee Garden be rotavated, a decision on what should be planted there will be made in due course. It was also agreed to place metal struts on the surrounding fence as this will prevent the cattle from eating the plants.

**38/24 Policy and Resources Committee Meeting Update from 12<sup>th</sup> March 2024**

The minutes of the meeting held on the 12<sup>th</sup> March 2024 were circulated to the Councillors prior to the meeting. Cllr Kaye-Krzeczkowski proposed the recommendations be approved, this was seconded by Cllr Melrose and all Councillors present were in favour.

**39/25 D-Day 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations 6<sup>th</sup> June 2024**

- The risk assessment for the beacon was approved.
- Cllr Dinning & Cllr McKerrell agreed to provide the fire extinguishers and safety barriers for the beacon.
- Cllr Dinning and Cllr McKerrell also agreed to be safety volunteers.
- Cllr Clarkson Webb agreed to read the proclamation.

**40/25 Disabled Parking Bays Glave Hill Car Park**

As the 2 parking bays in the Glave Hill car park do not adhere to the 1200mm accessibility zone and the 1200mm safety zone the disability access grant has been withdrawn.

**41/24 Financial**

Chq	Payee	Details	£
BACS	S Milburn	April notices	9.00
BACS	Dalston Aggregates	Stone for seat at Glave Hill	112.39
BACS	Bourne Business Centre	Payroll processing December 2022 to February 2024	270.00
BACS	Trustees of Cumdivock WI	Village Hall Capital Grant for sink	255.00
BACS	Gordon Graham Roadmarkings Ltd	Mark disabled parking bays	720.00
BACS	R & M Lowther	Remove fire damaged tree Glave Hill car park	300.00
BACS	M Watling	Postage Stamps	41.20
BACS	Newton Newton Flag & Banner Makers Limited	D Day Flag	34.80
<b>BACS</b>	Brian Hetherington Limited	Gas Safety Checks 1 & 2 Forge Green	73.30
		Install seats at Glave Hill & Gaitsgill	729.85
		Clean gutters	83.76
		Drain work	299.40

		Vaious small jobs/leaks	228.30	
		Vat	282.92	1,697.53
CHQ 771	Ian Davidson	Inter Elizabeth Henderson		60.00
CHQ 772	Cumbria in Bloom	Village Entry to Cumbria in Bloom		45.00
Total				£3,544.92

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

The accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 were approved.

#### 42/24 Cemetery

The following cemetery matters were approved:-

- An off black granite headstone with US Airforce badge and the inscription In loving memory of Michael C Esters, LT COL US Air Force, A Dearly loved husband and Father 1952-2023. Forever in our hearts. Ward 4, Section F, Space 39.
- The interment of the Late Alice Elizabeth Henderson in Ward 5 Section C space 37 on 28 March 2024.
- It was agreed that the objects in the Hearse House be placed in bags for a further 6 months and then discarded.
- Cllr McKerrell, Cllr Melrose and Cllr Irving agreed to remove the plastic flowers from the cemetery, the objects will be placed in the Hearse House. Date to be confirmed.

#### 43/24 Councillor Matters

- Cllr Kaye-Krzeczkowski spoke regarding flooding on The Green.
- Cllr Kyle stated that the signage at the barbers in the village had been taken down.
- Cllr Kyle reported that a letter had been received from the land registry requesting further information regarding the registration of parcels of land within the Parish, this information is to be provided by the 19<sup>th</sup> April 2024. An Extra Ordinary Meeting is to be held on the 17<sup>th</sup> April at 7.15pm in Forge Green in order to collate the information.
- Cllr Kyle reported that the Flying Scotsman Premier Vintage Rally would be coming through Unthank and Ratten Row on Saturday the 14<sup>th</sup> April 2024 commencing at 10.45am.
- The Clerk was requested to get the Electric Vehicle charger usage figures for last 6 months. It was also noted that there is a key in the Parish Council Office to open the cabinet should there be a problem.

#### Date of Forthcoming Meetings

The Annual meeting of the Parish Council to be held on the 7<sup>th</sup> May 2024 in the Victory Hall at 6.30pm.

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Policy & Resource Meeting Dates for 2024 – TBC

Property & Maintenance Meeting dates for 2024 – 17<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at 6pm Kingsway Car Park.

The meeting closed at 8.45pm

