

## **LOWER ALLITHWAITE PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of the Meeting held in The Village Hall, Cartmel on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2020**

**PRESENT:** Cllrs Lamb (Chairman), Simpson, Robinson, Dean, Huggett, Johnson, Sim, Anderson, Lewis, France, C Cllr Sanderson D Cllr Gardiner, 5 members of the public.

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllr, Bird,

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES AS CIRCULATED**

The minutes of the meeting held in Cartmel Village Hall on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2020 as circulated were proposed by Cllr Sim and seconded by Cllr Dean and agreed unanimously.

3. **REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS**

None

4. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

5. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN RELATION TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

i) Mr M Jackson – Outlined his objection to planning application SL/2020/0074. The application does not comply with SLDC's requirement for change of use in respect on smell and nuisance. There is only hardstanding for 1 car with no other parking that does not obstruct access to Hillside. There will be smells and issues from composting. The property is built into the hill and the garden where waste is to be stored is at 1<sup>st</sup> floor and within 5m of his residence

ii) Mr M Thornborough – Lives next to the orchard where 200 to 400kg of waste per brew will be stored. There is an existing rat problem from the property which will only increase with storage on site. Drainage to the property is via a right of way through his garden. He did not know how they would move the compost when removing it from site due to the limited vehicular access.

A member of the public informed the meeting that should vehicles need to park on the highway it would be on a dangerous bend and would cause an obstruction.

iii) Neighbourhood Watch Team- Mr and Mrs Thornborough represented the newly formed team and had set up an area based on Allithwaite, Cartmel Park and Kents Bank. Communication within the group would be via WhatsApp. They want to sign the area and need 77 signs for lamp posts and signs for homes. Council agreed to include this for discussion at the March meeting. **Action - Clerk**

6. **CORRESPONDENCE**

i) **Johnathan La Mere** – Planning Application SL/2020/0074 change of use to split commercial/residential, Greenfield House, Allithwaite. Councillors asked the clerk to reply noting the contents. **Action - Clerk**

ii) **Julie Colclough** – Setting up a Community Interest Group/Bank of volunteers in Cartmel. Councillors noted that CCC run a re-enablement group. Cllr Dean offered to go and talk to her and report back. **Action – Cllr Dean**

7. **PLANNING**

i) **Pre-Planning Applications** None

ii) **Applications Recommended for Approval by the Parish Council.** None.

iii) **Applications Recommended for Refusal by the Parish Council.** SL/2020/0074 change of use to split residential/commercial, Greenfield House, Allithwaite. Refuse, loss of residential space, incompatible use in residential area, smell, attracting vermin, highway unsafe for loading and unloading. SL/2020/0095 installation of 85 hardstandings for static caravans, Lakeland Leisure Park, Flookburgh. Refuse as previous application and request more information on impact locally. SL/2020/0105 change of use of garage to dog grooming parlour. Refuse on insufficient information to assess impact.

iv) **Applications Withdrawn** None

8. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

i) **Actions from previous minutes** None outstanding

ii) **Working Group Reports**

a) **Allithwaite Community** – Direction sign and bollards are installed.

b) **Neighbourhood Plan** – The group needs to meet. Kirkwells do not have a lot to do but it could be impacted by the report from AECOM. This is why it is held up.

c) **Cartmel Toilets** – No response from SLDC's agents to the Clerks response to put a request to SLDC for transfer of ownership. Cllr Dean offered to talk to Mr Hunter to progress matters. SLDC are still sorting out the legal position for the grant. It was felt there was merit in submitting a planning application and Cllr Dean was to investigate the cost of this. **Action – Cllr Dean**

d) **Cartmel Environment Group** – The group has 3 councillors but only 2 of the 3 residents Council felt the group should have. The Chairman encouraged the group to meet and progress even though short handed. **Action - Group**

e) **Quarry** – A Proposal to adopt the circulated Quarry Management Plan was made by Cllr Johnson and seconded by

Cllr Sim and agree unanimously. The Clerk was instructed to obtain prices for the ecological survey. **Action - Clerk**

**iii) Cartmel Village Society** – A major update of the website is proposed.

**iv) St Marys, Allithwaite** – No report

**v) Free mini library** – It is up and running. Post meeting note. Cllr France has enrolled the help of the owners of Hales Chocolate Shop for collecting books and overseeing the library.

**vi) Newsletter** – Circulated newsletter was agreed with grammatical amendments. **Action - Clerk**

**vii) Clerk's Report** – Clerk agreed to attend a stakeholder meeting or SLDC's Local Plan Review on 6<sup>th</sup> March.

**District Councillor's report** – Is continuing the fight against dog fouling.. **County Councillor's report** – The balance of her councillor's budget is to be used towards the parking review in Cartmel. The flooding in Vicarage Lane has been passed back to peter Hoskin. There has been a meeting of Council's about Unitary Status. They have been tasked with looking at two authorities, north and south. The government would want Adult and Social Care outsourcing with Highways split but no idea what would happen to Education.

## 9. **FINANCE** as at 31<sup>st</sup> January 2020

### i) **Parish Accounts**

Community Account	£
Business Base Rate Tracker	£10,142.76

### ii) **Money Received (October)**

Cottage Rent	£400.00
Cumbria Heath On Call (donate mini library)	£250.00
Parkin and Jackson (memorial Norma Summerville)	£25.00

### **Cheques for Approval (November)**

Clerks Salary	£566.66
Clerks Expenses: Broadband £17.00, Mileage £11.00	£28.00
PAYE	£141.60
Grange Now (Newsletter)	£196.00 + £8.00 VAT
S Sim (bench fixings, trees, gravel to gate opening)	£80.85
Curtins (Flood Risk Assessment fee CTI)	£300.00 + £60.00 VAT
Cumbria Waste Recycling (cemetery bin)	£17.20 + £3.44 VAT
J Harris (Cutting back of hedge to Vicarage Road-)	£99.00
S Sim (fixings for Cartmel library)	£10.22
Cumbria Waste Recycling (cemetery bin)	£30.20 + £6.04 VAT
N Power (Toilets electricity)	£102.27 + £5.11 VAT

Finance was proposed by Cllr Dean and Seconded by Cllr Huggett was agreed unanimously.

## 10. **OTHER MATTERS**

**i) Correspondence with external bodies** – Councillors were informed that unless authorised, correspondence should come from Either the Chairman or Clerk on behalf of Council. Similarly, any correspondence to councillors should be copied to the Clerk.

**ii) Cartmel Footbridge** – The updated flood report is complete and Curtins are to talk to the EA. CB Arts need a permit to work and Cllr Dean is to liaise with them, Briscoe's and EA. The bridge completion should be 31<sup>st</sup> March. Cllr Dean proposed an official opening which will be discussed at the next meeting. **Action - Clerk**

**iii) Cycle Rack** – The Chairman proposed to vire £8,600 to fund the provision of a base for the Cycle Racks in Devonshire Square and to procure and fix the racks as Cllr Dean's circulated report and authorise the signing of a Private Works Agreement with CCC which was agreed 5 for 5 abstentions. The Clerk noted that the Private Works agreement with CCC needed updating. Cllr Dean offered to contact Victoria Upton.

**iv) Change of Parish Name** – The Chairman proposed informing SLDC of the result of consultation on the proposed change from Lower Allithwaite Parish Council to Allithwaite and Cartmel Parish Council which was agreed unanimously. The Clerk to write to SLDC informing them. **Action - Clerk**

**v) Apple Crusher** – The proposal to assume overall responsibility of an Apple Crusher as outlined in the paper by Mrs Lynda Johnson was rejected by Council Councillors suggested that The CVS may be interested. The Clerk to inform her. **Action - Clerk**

**vi) Papers stored in the Institute** – Cllr Johnson is to circulate a list of dates and times for councillors and the clerk to indicate availability to sift through the files. **Action – Cllr Johnson, All**

## 11. **QUESTIONS/ANSWERS/REPORTS/COMPLAINTS.**

**Cllr Robinson** – Has had complaints about gates on the access to River Eea. These accesses are now lost to the public.

**Cllr Huggett** – The Lengthsman has cleaned some gullies in Cartmel

The meeting closed at 8-47 pm and the Chairman thanked everyone for attending. The next Meeting of the Council will be held on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2020 at 7-15pm, in Cartmel Village Hall.