

BRIDEKIRK PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting held on 11th January 2011.

Present: Councillors: Mr J W Graves (Chair) Miss Y Gibson Messrs: F Armstrong, I Currie, S Dumbill, A Firn, W Nixon & Walling C C C Representative Mr Eddie Martin, PC Gavin Matthews Cumbria Constabulary

Apologies: Mrs C Fossey

Minutes: The Chairman signed as a correct record the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 11th November 2010.

The meeting in December was cancelled due to the bad weather.

Land Registry (Pinfold Land, Bridekirk)

No contact received.

Dovenby Beck

The beck wall was in need of repair - Councillor Armstrong sent photos to Mr Eddie Martin and me, for the Parish records. Mr Martin contacted Cumbria Highways and they responded by advising that a method statement for work was being prepared and sent to the Environment Agency to seek authority to begin the emergency works. Hope to start the following week. At the meeting it was reported that the work had been completed. Councillor Armstrong advised that Raymond Faulder had a theory regarding the flooding of the beck and felt that 100 yards 'downstream' which was on M Sports land the beck runs into the main river and this was congested. With Malcolm Wilsons approval Mr Faulder cleaned out this part of the river. We convey our thanks for his help with this.

Police

PC Gavin Matthews came to the meeting and gave his report. He also advised that there was a lot of internal changes in the Cumbria Constabulary but the service the Police gave to the public would not change. There is some overnight crime, He advised to ensure sheds etc were well secured and also fuel tanks as there has been a lot of theft of oil from these. If you are suspicious at all, contact the Police.

Brick Built Bus Stop in Dovenby

Email from Mr Eddie Martin. This is an anomaly. It is unusual to have a privately owned bus shelter. Shelter is in a state of disrepair and have advised Connect Roads to contact Allerdale Borough Council to consider declaring it an unsafe building.

Pavement in Tallantire

Mr Eddie Martin has advised that there has been several objections received by Highways re the proposed construction of a pavement from Acres Farm to Middle Farm in Tallantire. It was proposed to call a meeting of the residents. Clerk to arrange this for say 29th January (if this date is ok for everyone) in The Bush, Tallantire.

Web Page

Mr Rollison has sent in a report of the usage of the web page over the month of December and to the 13th of January. This is very encouraging. He asked that Councillors visit the web page to check for errors, additions or inadvisable content and report to him.

Tallantire Wind farm Inquiry

Councillor Dumbill went to the meeting and advised that approx 12 people gave arguments against the wind farm. The out come of the Inquiry will be released in February 2011.

Grass cutting Contract

Clerk wrote to Mr Morgan on 27th November 2010 and advised he had been given the tender for the grasscutting contract for Bridekirk Parish Council. Clerk to contact Mr Morgan to ask if he could also help us to distribute the grit when the weather is bad.

Grit Bins

Grit bins arrived and put in place in Tallantire, Dovenby & Bridekirk. The Invoice was paid on 11 November 2010.

No 58 Bus

Have received a response from CCC Environment regarding the Bus Service 58 and they state that the situation remains the same as in November 2008. The times have changed very slightly between the old and the new timetables. Councillor Currie states that there is not enough time for changing buses. We are to keep a note of this and monitor the situation.

CALC

Circular for December and January received. Several emails received from CALC including clearing ice and snow on highways, VAT increase, Localism and Broadband conference, Have Your Say budget, Elections in 2011, Cumbria Alert - a new communication tool for Cumbria, Timetable success on Sustainable Communities Act proposals. Attached letter from Rt Hon Eric Pickles from Communities and Local Government re the Queens Diamond Jubilee.

Cumbria County Council

Letter from Leader of the Council - CCC Public Consultation second phase. The Cumbria Rider Passenger Transport Guide received. Second Addition of Local News & Views

Cumbria Highways

Letter received re Parish Salt Scheme - we received this and it is stored at Chairman's farm.

Allerdale Borough Council

Allerdale Borough Council's Draft Plan 2011-15 received asking for comments.

A594 through Dovenby Village

Cumbria Highways - Letter received from Rick Young Route Manager re our concern regarding speeding through Dovenby. He advised that a speed survey undertaken by CAPITA concluded that the speed of traffic through Dovenby was already below the posted limit. Email from Mr Eddie Martin - The question of Solar Powered Vehicle Actuated Sign is too expensive, i.e. £6,000 to install and then £500 maintenance for 30 years a total cost of £21,000. It is also noted that these are stolen on a regular basis.

West Cumbria:mrws

Letter received giving update and advising of Drop In Events throughout the County in November and December.

Royal British Legion

Letter received from The Royal British Legion asking us to organize a 'Great Poppy Party Weekend'. It was suggested at the meeting that we ask Mrs Julia Scales to help with organizing an event in the Parish.

Cumbria Association of Local Councils

Minutes of AGM held on 30th September 2010 received.

Parish Magazine

Fee is due for our Notice in the Parish Magazine of £25. All agreed to pay.

A O B

Email received advising latest addition of Northern Voice. This can be read on northcomms@housing.org.uk Letters received from Citizens Advice and Air Ambulance. Several Thank You letters received for the biscuits. Donation of £20 received - Thank you letter

sent. Letter to HSBC to transfer £1500 from Deposit to Current Account. Derwent Forest - Mr Eddie Martin gave us an update as to progress re the sale of this.

Planning Applications

Grant of Planning Application: Mr & Mrs Rollinson, Lilac Cottage, Tallentire, Cockermouth, Cumbria - Erection of timber built stretched style conservatory with a slate roof (resubmission to 2/2010/0579).

Consultation of Planning Application: Mr Hird, West End Farm, Dovenby, Cockermouth - Outline consent for an agricultural worker's dwelling. No objections.

Costs

TP Walling £226.50 - payment for biscuits

M Rollison £28.06 - payment for web page

Thomas Armstrong Construction Ltd £387.75 - payment for new doors on Notice Boards

CCC £10.00 - Room Hire

Bridekirk Parish Magazine £25.00 - payment for Notice

Meeting closed 8.45 p.m. Next meeting 10th February 2011.

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