

# **KIRKLINTON PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of a meeting of Kirklington Parish Council held at Fir Ends School on Tuesday 19 September 2017.

## **PRESENT**

I Armstrong (Chairperson), Mrs B Irving, Mrs M Story, D Allan and T Wigham

## **APOLOGIES**

M Jack, Mrs M White and A Smith

## **REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS**

No requests received.

## **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

D Allan declared a pecuniary interest in Agenda Item No. 7(1) (b) – Payments and Subscriptions.

## **MINUTES** of the Meeting held on 11 July 2017

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as a true record and duly signed by the Chairperson.

## **MATTERS ARISING**

### (a) Play area

(1) Weekly Inspection Report sheets were issued to the next Councillors on the rota.

(2) It was reported that a delivery of wood fibre had been cancelled due to the inclement weather.

### (b) School/Footpath entrance off A6071

It was reported that the Chairman (M Jack) had had a further meeting with the headteacher who later indicated that the Governors were agreeable, in principle, to some work being undertaken to improve the entrance to the school field off the A6071.

However, he also indicated that he would be having further discussions with the Governors in order to clarify what work could be undertaken and would keep the Parish Council informed regarding ongoing discussions.

It was agreed that when work to remove the mound is authorised by the Governors, a scheme of work could be developed and be the subject of an application for funding to the Hallburn fund in due course.

(c) Dead Chestnut Tree

The Clerk confirmed that he had not received any response to his second letter to the owner of the dead tree.

(d) Footpaths in and around Smithfield

It was reported that the Highways Authority had completed the work on the footpaths as requested by the Parish Council.

(e) Broadband availability

The Clerk reported that information, received from BT via William Bundred, indicated that superfast broadband coverage in the areas of north west of Smithfield was not planned until 2018.

### **INCOME AND EXPENDITURE 2017/18**

The Income and Expenditure position as at 19 September 2017 compared with the approved Budget was noted.

### **PAYMENTS, SUBSCRIPTIONS AND RECEIPTS**

(1) The following payment was approved:

(a) Invoice from D Allan re grass cutting during 2017 - **£350.00**

### **AUDIT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017**

The Clerk reported that the audit of the 2016/17 Accounts undertaken by the external Auditors, BDO Stoy Hayward, had been completed and that no matters had been identified which required the issuing of a separate additional issues arising report. The Annual Return was therefore approved and accepted by the Parish Council. A 'Notice of Conclusion of Audit' would be displayed on the notice board for a period of 14 days.

### **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**(a) Application No: 17/0287 (CT and J Wigham)**

Erection of 1no. agricultural workers dwelling (Outline) on land adjacent to Hether Mill, Kirklington, Carlisle.

The decision of the Planning Authority to grant permission was noted.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

A schedule of the correspondence received since the last meeting was noted.

## **LAND ADJACENT TO FIR ENDS SCHOOL**

The Clerk reported the receipt of a letter from a Mrs A Fowler representing the owners of land adjacent to Fir Ends School.

The land in question had originally been considered by Carlisle City Council for future housing development and was included in their Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA). However, it was not subsequently allocated as such in the Local Plan adopted by the Council in November 2016.

Agents acting on behalf of the owners made representation to the Council regarding the decision not to allocate the land as available for development but, it seems, to no avail.

Mrs Fowler, in her letter to the Parish Council, appears to be indicating that the owners are minded, in any event, to submit an application for planning permission to build housing on part of the land in question and is seeking the support of the Parish Council. Mrs Fowler also suggests that, if successful, the owners would not be averse to donating a piece of the land for use as additional parking for, either the school or the community or both.

It was agreed that the Clerk should respond to Mrs Fowler's letter by indicating that the Parish Council would give the matter its' full consideration as and when a detailed application was submitted. As far as the offer of land for additional parking was concerned it was the Parish Council's expectation that such provision would be included in any proposed development submitted to the Planning Authority.

## **DANGEROUS DRAIN COVER ON THE FERGUSHILL TO BLACKFORD ROAD**

The Clerk was asked to report a dangerous drain cover that had become exposed due to verge side erosion on the road from the crossroads at the Old School House to Blackford about 300 metres from the crossroads.

## **PROVISION OF A BUS SHELTER**

The Clerk was asked to explore the possibility of a bus shelter being provided to serve the village residents particularly the young people waiting for buses to William Howard school.

## **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday 28 November 2017 (Budget and Precept meeting)

CORRESPONDENCE received since the last meeting

1. CUMBRIA ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS

CALC Circulars - September 2017  
Training opportunities

2. CARLISLE CITY COUNCIL

Agendas and Minutes of City Council Meetings  
Keep Carlisle Clean campaign

3. CUMBRIA COUNTY COUNCIL

Cumbria Minerals & Waste Local Plan – Inspector’s Report

3. OTHER

AON Insurance – Notice of Intention to cease its involvement in the Local Councils market.