

**MINUTES OF LOWER HOLKER PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT FLOOKBURGH
VILLAGE HALL ON WEDNESDAY 6TH JULY 2016**

PRESENT

Parish Councillors R Airey, B Dawson, M Keith, S Rawsthorn, County Councillor S Sanderson, Parish Clerk L Prescott.

16/080 **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received and accepted from Parish & District Councillor G Gardner, Parish Councillors J Ryland & T Wilson and PCSO H Firth.

16/081 **Requests for Dispensations**

None.

16/082 **Declarations of Interest**

None.

16/083 **Minutes of the Last Meeting**

Resolved The acceptance of the minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 1st June 2016 was agreed unanimously and signed by the Vice Chairman.

16/084 **Public Participation (at the Chairman's discretion)**

None.

16/085 **Police**

PCSO Firth provided a written Police report for the last month. In Flookburgh there were 19 calls for service including 2 crimes – assault at Lakeland Leisure and one road traffic offence. In Cark there were 4 calls for service.

16/086 **District and County Councillors**

a) District Councillor Gill Gardner was absent and no report has been received.

b) County Councillor Sue Sanderson reported:

- i) Moor Lane - She has been in contact with Sargent Nolan who supports the plans for additional signs on Moor Lane. She is still trying to make contact with the Lakeland Leisure Manager.
- ii) Cark – she has reported the bridge by the Engine Inn as dangerous to Cumbria Highways and the Police.
- iii) Highways – she has sent the list to Victoria Upton and Dominic Domini of works which are outstanding.
- iv) The County Council are working closer with the District Council through area offices and the local Manager Karen Johnson. There has recently been a consultation on changing Library opening hours.
- v) She is working on Adult Scrutiny which looks at social care and provision for people with learning disabilities including provision for adults with autism. The District Council are responsible for housing and the County Council for Social Care.

16/087 **Planning Applications**

The following Planning Applications were considered:

a) SL/2016/0028. Land to the rear of 60 Main Street, Flookburgh. Erection of a single dwelling.

Resolved To fully support the Planning Application for the following reasons:

- The applicant is a local resident and this will enable him to remain in his local community.
- It is within the development boundary of Flookburgh village.

- The application is for a single house for a local resident and is not part of a larger development plan.
- The South Lakeland District Council website states regarding Self build “It is encouraged in the National Planning Policy Framework and the government is considering plans for Right to Build to support self builders.”

b) SL/2016/0626 Camp Road Garage, Moor Lane, Flookburgh LA11 7LS . Proposed Side Extension

Resolved To fully support this Planning Application as it will provide an additional indoor working area to support the continuation and development of this local business and employer.

16/088 **Planning Decisions**

The following Planning Decisions were noted:

- SL/2016/0195. Fieldhead Farm Bungalow, Field Head, Flookburgh LA11 7LN. Conversion and extension of garage into single self-contained holiday let. Granted with conditions relating to short term occupation only and remaining part of the dwelling of Fieldhead Farm Bungalow.
- SL/2016/0374 Orchard View, Winder Lane, Flookburgh LA11 7LE Extension of domestic curtilage into part of adjoining field and erection of detached domestic garage. Granted.
- SL/2016/0321/2 Whitewell House, 39 Main Street, Flookburgh LA11 7LA Internal alterations and demolition of rear extension and formation of new back door and utility room and erection of two storey rear extension; alterations to pitch of part of roof, installation of rooflights, installation of replacement timber sliding sash window frames to front elevation; renovation of front porch and replacement front door and installation of railings to front of property. Granted with conditions relating to materials, glazing, windows, bats and barn owls.

16/089 **Financial Reports**

Resolved The Financial report, including budget comparison and bank reconciliation as at 24 June 2016, was accepted unanimously and signed by the Vice Chairman.

16/090 **Payment of Accounts**

a) Resolved The authorisation of the following payments was agreed unanimously:

Clerk’s Salary (June 2016)	£276.28*
PAYE for Clerk’s Salary (June 2016)	£69.10
E.On Electricity (Street Lighting) (1/5/2016-31/5/2016) DD	£36.05
Npower (Electricity – Cark Toilets) (1/3/16-1/6/16) DD	£58.17
South Lakes Services – Toilets Cleaning (June 2016) SO	£247.26
Cumbria Association of Local Council Clerk’s Forum	£5.00
Donations Box & Lock (Cark Toilets)	£46.51
Saturday Bus Service Contribution (Grange Town Council)	£600.00

*May Salary cheque for £276.48 wrongly debited as £276.68, so 20p reduction in June Salary cheque to take account of this.

b) Noted that United Utilities (Water & Waste Water) account for Cark Toilets has a Credit Balance as at 12 June 2016 of £28.54.

16/091 **SLDC – Environmental Partnership Fund**

The Clerk reported that she has applied to SLDC via NPS for permission to install a cycle rack in Cark Car Park, providing photos, plans, and proposed rack for 3 cycles. NPS don’t foresee any issues with cycle rack but undertaking checks and the Clerk has sent them a copy of the Lease. She has also applied to SLDC for permission to add a picnic table in Cark Park. SLDC agree to picnic table being installed (they recommend one from Barkers priced at £299). She has applied to Cumbria Highways for

permission to install seats at the side of the road between Cark and Cartmel and on site of removed phone box at Cark Station. Photos and map with locations were supplied. No response has yet been received. SLDC advise that they are unable to progress the Funding application until we have permission and will notify the Parish Council when next round of funding starts.

16/092 **Defibrillator**

The location of new defibrillator to be bought by the Parish Council and installed in Cark Village was considered.

Resolved To request permission from South Lakeland District Council to install it on the wall of Cark Toilets.

16/093 **Consultations**

The following consultations were considered:

- a) South Lakeland District Council – Draft Parish Charter

Resolved To recommend that all the contacts listed in the Parish Charter have contact phone numbers listed as not all Councillors use computers.

- b) Cumbria Policing Priorities Consultation.

Resolved: to respond as follows:

Question 1: What should we focus on to tackle crime and disorder in Cumbria?

- 1 Ensuring the police tackle crime and anti-social behaviour
- 2 Increasing the cases where an offender makes amends for a crime (eg. Repairs damage, repays costs, apologises to the victim)
- 3 Providing a visible police presence
- 4 Support initiatives which give young people a good start in life, to prevent crime and disorder
- 5 Working with emergency services to look at ways to collaborate more

Question 2: If you think there is something else that we should focus on, please state this below.

Increase opportunities for the public to have face to face contact with Police.

16/094 **Highways**

- a) The potential joint purchase of a radar gun by local parish councils.

The Parish Clerk has contacted Lower Allithwaite Parish Council and their proposal is to purchase a speed gun between the two councils, estimated cost £2,000. Lower Allithwaite Parish Council will be considering this further at their July meeting and advise.

Resolved To consider at next meeting following response from Lower Allithwaite.

- b) Speeding and unsafe driving affecting horses on Moor Lane

Councillor Sanderson has spoken to Sgt Nolan and is trying to arrange a meeting with Lakeland Leisure.

- c) Cyclists causing issues with other road users

The Clerk reported she has not yet contacted the cycle clubs.

- d) Road maintenance/Cleaning

Councillor Rawsthorn reported that blocked drains on the B5277 towards Old Park are causing problems.

Resolved To contact Cumbria Highways and request drains be cleared.

- e) Safety of road layout near Cark Station Railway bridge on B5278.

Councillor Sanderson has spoken to Cumbria Highways.

- f) Safety of B5278 road bridge over River Eea near the Engine Inn.

Councillor Sanderson has spoken to Cumbria Highways.

- g) Caravan deliveries to/from Lakeland Leisure outside specified hours (deliveries should only be between 10 am to 4 pm.)

Councillor Sanderson is trying to arrange a meeting with Lakeland Leisure.

- h) Allithwaite Road Railway Bridge

- Councillor Sanderson is contacting Network Rail.
- i) Bridleway alongside school ground – vehicles using/trying to use.
Resolved to request a bollard be installed by Cumbria Highways at the end of the bridleway where it meets the footpath from The Croft. The Clerk will contact the owner of the Bridleway (Mrs Lynott).
- j) Grass cutting
 Councillor Keith has contacted Cumbria Highways and requested that the footpath across the fields from Cark Station to Main Street Flookburgh is cut. She also reported that Cark Playground is regularly cut but the quality of the cut is variable and Caton Lane is becoming overgrown and needs cutting back to the railway bridge.
Resolved To contact Cumbria Highways and request Caton Lane cut back.
- 16/095 **Flookburgh Square**
 The Clerk reported that resurfacing and improvement works will now take place the week beginning Monday 8th August due to a delay in the bollards being supplied.
- 16/096 **River Eea**
 The Clerk has received a report from Andrew Frankish at the Environment Agency advising that United Utilities will undertake work on the sewer leading to the pumping station near Cark Farm which will be lined from the pumping station back up to the bridge - a distance of several hundred metres. It is hoped that this will deal with the issue of the river water getting into the sewer and hence prevent the manholes overflowing.
- 16/097 **Bus Services**
 No update has been received on the removal of the last bus service on weekdays.
- 16/098 **Public Toilets & Cark Park**
 Councillor Keith reported that a wasps' nest was in a tree in the Park and she reported it to SLDC for action. The Clerk reported that Mike Hemming & Bob Somerset have volunteered to repair the 2 damaged picnic tables in the park (materials cost only).
- 16/099 **Flookburgh & District Recreational Charity**
 The Clerk reported that there was good attendance at Duck Race on 5th June, though water was low and £270 raised. The next event is being arranged jointly with Ravenstown Club – a walk to Chapel Island on 17th July. Groundworks need to be undertaken on the site including weedkilling, levelling and reseeding.
- 16/100 **Grange & Cartmel Local Area Partnership**
 This meeting discussed rural broadband, proposed electoral boundary changes and a LAP review.
- 16/101 **Cumbria Association of Local Councils**
- a) District Meeting
 The Clerk reported that SLDC are refreshing their Parish Charter and wanting to work together with Parish/Town Councils. Superfast Broadband take up only 27%. Environment Agency reported on flooding and their work on planning better to avoid flooding in future including working with community groups on emergency plans. Cumbria Flood Partnership will publish a report this summer. There has been a delay in the National Grid consultation.
- b) Clerk's Forum
 The Clerk reported that the forum was a useful opportunity to share information with other Clerks and included discussing legal notes, England Coast Path, audit, trade union, barns (LDNP re development potential), pensions etc.

16/0102 **Correspondence**

The following correspondence was noted:

- a) Cumbria County Council
South Lakeland Library Hours Consultation (31 May to 17 June 2016)
- b) South Lakeland District Council
Parish Charter draft.
- c) Cumbria Association for Local Councils (CALC)
CALC Website revamp re Planning.
NuGen Consultation events re new Moorside Nuclear Power Station – Kendal 12th July (11 am to 7.30 pm)
Monthly Circular and Training Courses
Connecting Cumbria Update. Cumbria Community Foundation newsletter.
Cumbria County Council Roads & Bridges Update.
Cumbria Central Heating Fund
- d) Neighbourhood Alerts
New Police & Crime Commissioner Surgeries & Newsletter. Police & Crime Plan Consultation. Euro 2016 and Olympic Ticket Frauds. Fake Letter Boxes and spoof Buyer Protection Emails. Phishing Campaign Targeting University Students. Boat Safety and Drowning Prevention Week. Cumbria Victims Charitable Trust. Cumbria Together Website.
- e) Cartmel Old Grammar School Foundation
Educational Grants, closing date 30 September 2016.
- f) Cumbria CVS
Training courses, Funding & Flood Recovery Update
- g) Tony Hadwin
Thank you for support with Planning Application, which was granted.

16/103 **Date of Next meeting**

The following meeting was noted:

The next Meeting of the Parish Council will be held at 7 pm on Wednesday 7th September 2016 at Lower Holker Village Hall.

Clerk to the Council: - Lyn Prescott, 13 Church Walk, Flookburgh, Grange-over-Sands, Cumbria LA11 7JX