

**Minutes of the meeting of Hawkshead Parish Council
Virtually by Zoom on Tuesday 15th December 2020 at 7.30 pm**

Present: Cllr Woodhouse (Chair)
Cllrs Bremner, McClennan, Spedding, Moulton
Clerk – Tracey Thornley

In attendance:

116/2020 Apologies

RESOLVED Cllr Brown (caught up with business) District Cllrs Wharton and Coward (another meeting)

117/2020 Requests for Dispensations

No requests received

118/2020 Declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests in respect of Agenda items

Cllr Spedding declared an interest in Planning application 7/2020/5784 Corner Cottage and a planning application received after publication of the Agenda but needed a reply prior to the next meeting 7/2020/5584 Rocky Brow.

119/2020 Minutes of Meeting – Minutes of the meeting held 20th October 2020 by Zoom

RESOLVED Minutes of the Meeting held on 20th October 2020 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chair

Police, County and District Councils, and Public Participation

120/2020 Police

The following report was received from PCSO Ross and read out by Cllr Woodhouse:-

During the period from 20th October to 15th December 2020 there were 5 incidents of note in the Hawkshead area. These are as follows:

1 crime of theft – low value; 1 road related offence reported – no trace; 1 concern for welfare – safe and well; 2 reported breaches of Covid regulations.

Recently Cumbria Constabulary have been supporting a campaign with the National Farmers Union (NFU) and Carrs Billington called ‘Lock It or Lose It’. The campaign is countywide encouraging farms to secure their property. Last year we saw a spike in rural acquisitive crime, particularly around ATV/Quad Bikes. The main approach of the campaign is to ensure crime prevention measures are in place as a first step for farmers to protect their property. As part of the campaign we are encouraging members of the rural community to increase reports of suspicious people or vehicles to 101. Or if a crime is being committed, such as theft of a Quad Bike call on 999.

121/2020 District Councillor

Not present – apologies received.

122/2020 County Councillor

Cllr Brereton reported that the road at Roger Ground is on the list for resurfacing and looking at the drains. The roads at Outgate and Hawkshead Hill are on the list for attention next year. Cllrs reported that the gullies at Roger Ground are full of grit/gravel Cllr Brereton will pass this on and the Clerk will also report on the HIMS system.

B4RN project needs marketing to get more interest, he suggests a meeting with the local Parish Councils to see how this can be moved forward.

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Windermere Ferry – scheduled maintenance work has been ongoing but there have been problems with the line which has to keep being replaced. They plan to launch the procurement process sooner than expected. No meeting until the new year.

123/2020 Public Participation

A member of the public had been in touch concerning a couple of sheds/chalets which are being occupied full-time behind their property. Cllrs felt this is not fair on the local community who are paying to live here and concern that if they live there long enough they will be able to put a house there. Clerk to contact the Enforcement Officer, Lake District National Park Authority (LDNPA).

A member of the public had been in touch to report that the bridge by the Vicarage has been knocked by a vehicle. Clerk to report

A wall by Hawkshead Hall has also been knocked. Clerk to report.

A member of the public asked if it would be possible to have lighting in the Old Police Car Park as it is now very dark late afternoon and difficult to see the paths. Discussion took place regarding some kind of solar power system but lack of sunlight during the winter months when the lighting would be required might not work. It was suggested that the Clerk should contact BT and see if they would be able to help us with putting some kind of lighting on their building as an initial idea. ACTION Clerk.

124/2020 **Ongoing Issues Action Results**

UNRESOLVED accessibility of the public footpath from Roger Ground to Hawkshead village – ongoing Clerk to contact Sara Spicer to see what progress is being made.

At this point Cllr Woodhouse had to leave the meeting, Cllr Spedding took over as Chair

UNRESOLVED B4RN scheme – Ongoing

UNRESOLVED Grit supplies for the snowplough – Cllr Brereton had asked someone at County to get in touch with us, he will chase this up.

125/2020 **Highways Issues**

To note Highways issues in the Parish

UNRESOLVED Roger Ground – water continuing to run down the road and road starting to erode (W1980989349) (W2080996154) (W2080999073) ongoing

UNRESOLVED blocked drain by the YHA (W2080998948) (W2081009632) Highways did come out to unblock the drain which has collapsed, part of their equipment has got stuck in the drain so they will be coming back to collect it and fix the problem. As the flood has reappeared Clerk to report.

UNRESOLVED blocked drain past Roger Ground towards Grizedale (W2081001415) (W2081009632) – this is ongoing but there are now additional drains that are blocked Clerk to report

UNRESOLVED enquiries made regarding making the road by the school and Heelis Place completely one way (W2081009654) Clerk to chase up

UNRESOLVED three roads identified for urgent attention with Cllr Brereton (Outgate, Roger Ground, Hawkshead Hill) – ongoing Clerk to report the potholes which have reappeared at Outgate and Hawkshead Hill.

Cllr Woodhouse returned to the meeting and took over as Chair.

Pot holes have reappeared at the road junction by the fishery and road leading to Sawrey, Clerk to report.

126/2020 **Finance & Governance Issues**

Resolved Councillors authorised payment of the following accounts: -

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| Tracey Thornley – Clerk wages (October) | £358.40 |
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| HMRC (PAYE) | £ 14.00 |
| Tracey Thornley – Expenses – Zoom Subscription x2 | £ 28.78 |
| Royal British Legion (Poppy Wreath) | £ 25.00 |

Resolved invoice received from the National Trust after publication of the Agenda for the rent for the Old Police Car Park all agreed to the payment as follows:

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National Trust (Old Police Car Park Rent) £156.00

Resolved Councillors acknowledged income received
Old Police Car Park Permits £ 112.00
VAT Return £ 399.20

Resolved with the resignation of Cllr Fordham, Councillors agreed to appoint Cllr Bremner as Councillor responsible for overlooking financial issues.

127/2020 **Planning**

Resolved Councillors considered planning applications and formulated comments to the planning Authority:-

Cllr Spedding was muted whilst discussion and a decision was made on this planning application
7/2020/5784 – Corner Cottage, Flag Street, Hawkshead, Ambleside, LA22 0PE – Replacement windows and doors and internal alterations. Councillors viewed the application and have no objections to the plans. Clerk to notify Planning.

T/2020/0158 – Tolverne, Roger Ground, Ambleside, LA22 0QG – Prune to previous pruning point (A1); prune upper crown by 2-3 m (A2); cut back to previous pruning points, 3-4 overhanging branches – back to boundary line (b); prune lower limbs 1 x copper beech. Councillors viewed the application and have no objections to the plans. Clerk to notify Planning.

The following application was received after the Agenda was sent out but the deadline for return is prior to our next meeting. Councillors agreed to view plans for the following:

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7/2020/5584 – Rocky Brow, Outgate, Ambleside, LA22 0NJ – Amendment to design for garage, condition 2 (plans) on planning permission 7/2019/5779 for porch, garden room extension and garage. Councillors had no objections to the plans. Clerk to notify Planning.

Resolved Councillors noted the following Notices of Grant/Refusal of Planning/Appeals/withdrawn applications:-

7/2020/5463 – Tolverne, Roger Ground, Ambleside, LA22 0QG – local needs dwellinghouse: plot one (resubmission following withdrawal of planning application 7/2020/5079) – Authority decision - Granted

128/2020 **Hawkshead Project**

Progress had been made regarding the LIPs funding, an update report had been completed and confirmation has been received that the funding is still available but they need accurate timings to release the funds. There was a query regarding planning for the first phase we have received confirmation from LDNPA that they do not need this along as Cumbria CC Highways are happy. Contact has been made with Rob Warwick to ask if he has got confirmation from CCC, we had not heard back from him yet but once this is confirmed we are ready to start the tender process. Charlotte Wood had also said that she had heard of funding that would be coming available for this kind of project.

129/2020 **Councillor Vacancy**

Two applications had been received, a confidential ballot via email took place prior to the meeting with Mrs Eileen Johnson being successful. Clerk to notify Mrs Johnson and ask her to complete the appropriate paperwork and contact the other candidate to inform them they had not be successful this time.

130/2020 **Lengthsman**

With the resignation of Cllr Fordham, a Councillor is needed to be the contact for managing the Lengthsman. Cllr Woodhouse had previously discussed this with Cllr Brown and he is willing to do this job unless anyone else wanted to do it. All agreed that Cllr Brown could carry out this role.

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131/2020 Dates of Meetings 2021

Dates for next years meeting were agreed, the set Election date was also listed amongst these.

132/2020 Councillor Matters

None

133/2020 Correspondence

Resolved the following e-mails received

Coniston PC – Agenda

Member of the Public – Windermere Ferry

Member of the Public – Hawkshead Bonfire

PCSO Ross – October Report

CPRG – North West Ambulance Service – How to save a life

CALC – External Finance courses; Covid update; Items of interest; Nature Recovery Lunchtime Talks – Cumbria a local Nature Partnership (CLNP); Lake District National Park Partnership events November 2020; Standards matter 2 – Public Consultation and Public sectors surveys; Code of Conduct training; Letter from LDNPA; Autumn half term Activity & Support; Local Government Reorganisation in Cumbria; Link to CLNP Nature recovery lunchtime talk; What matters to you 5/11/20; Cumbria CVS – get into volunteering; Info pack for community leaders; Scam emails to Councils; Service of thanksgiving Held for Health and care workers; LDNP Partnership event update; Cumbria Arts and Culture Network Newsletter; Kind Cumbria Day 13/11/20; Comms updates; ACT gazette - Autumn/Winter 2020; Cancellation of District Association meeting 26/11; Colin Cox, Director of Public Health live Q&A 10/11; Cancellation of South Lakeland Association meeting; Colin Cox – Covid update; CALC Friday Roundup; Village Hall safeguarding week 2020; Standards matter 2 Public Consultation; Cumbria in Bloom November 2020 Newsletter; 2020 Annual Public Consultation survey; Dalston Parish installs community chargepoints; Cumbria Arts & Culture Network Newsletter; 12th Edition of Arnold Baker on Local Council Administration; Parish Polls; Local Health leaders welcome drop in new infections as new tier comes into force; Standards matter 2 Public consultation deadline to NALC 13/1/21; Friday roundup 4/12; Update on local Government Reorganisations in Cumbria; CALC Newsletter November/December.

SLDC -Local Resilience Forum; New Test and Trace Support Scheme; Baywind Energy Community Trust; Business Community urged to help shape support effort; Independent and Parish Remuneration panel; New Flats completed at Lake District housing scheme; Cases rise in Carlisle while positive signs in Barrow; Business Improvement District for Ulverston; Support for families in South Lakeland over half term; Town & Parish Council briefing Local Government re-organisation; Flood Advisory Service teleconference; Town & Parish Council briefing note; Update Flood Advisory Group; South Lakeland District Council newsletter; Update from Flood Advisory Service 2/11; Council Reception to temporary close; Town & Parish Council Briefing note reminder; Councils agree economic strategy; Carbon reduction project; Call to ‘Back the Bay’ as new Council bid agreed; Have your say on Bay authority proposal; CCC – Covid 24 deaths in the hospital – numbers increase 12/11; Local Government Reform – the Bay proposal; Business Grant Scheme for lockdown closures goes live; Election 2021 Bulletin 1; Bay Unitary proposal – Info and survey link; Weekly list 23/11; Application for additional restrictions grants now open; SLDC Locality teams; Gifts/hospitality Declarations; High Alert Status from Wednesday for Cumbria; Weekly list 27/11; Consultation starts on changes to level of council tax discounts and premia on empty premises; Avian Flu cases; Meeting 8/12/20; Free Sunday parking in the run up to Christmas; Meeting 15th December.

Cumbria Highways – Reactivation Road Closure C5019.

UHMBT – Welcome to Prof R Isba as a Non-Executive Director; Pathology local Appraisal outcome; Welcome to Chris Adcock, Director of Finance; Patients will help shape an agreement people will sign up prior to surgery; Coronavirus update issue 16; New 2.5 m operating theatre at Royal Lancaster Infirmary is officially opened; People across Morecambe Bay supported to ask for help during Covid 19; Westmorland General Hospital receives award; Birth services reinstated at Helme Chase maternity unit; Coronavirus update issue 17; £20k funding to support vulnerable in Millom; Coronavirus update issue 18.

Claife PC – Draft Minutes 13/10/20; Agenda 24/11; Draft Minutes 24/11/20.

LNDPA – Lake District Local Plan: Consultation on proposed main modifications 29/10/20 – 11/12/20

CCC – Happy Halloween and safe Bonfire Night

Cumbria Strategic Flood – Information: Met Office Uk climate projections; Managing Flood Risk report; Managing floods in a changing climate podcast.

South Lakeland Areas Support (CCC) – Concurrent incident and flood plan briefing for community groups and voluntary committee; Updated Volunteer Information; Suicide first aid training; December update.

Member of the Public – Queries on correspondence

Member of the public – TPO

Coniston PC- Agenda 16/11/20

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Member of the Public – Windermere Ferry
Member of the Public – Councillor vacancy
Cllr Brereton – B4RN in Furness
PCSO Ross – Lock it or Lose it
Member of the Public – Councillor vacancy
T Farron MP – Food share projects
PCSO Harris – Quad Bike thefts
Member of the Public – issue in the neighbourhood

134/2020 **Date of next meeting**

The next meeting will be Tuesday 19th January either in the Lower Market Hall, Hawkshead or via Zoom at 7.30 pm.

The meeting closed at 8.37 pm

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