

**Minutes of the meeting of Hawkshead Parish Council
held in the Lower Market Hall, Hawkshead on Tuesday 17th March 2020 at 7.30 pm**

Present: Cllr Spedding (Vice Chair)
Cllrs McClennan, Fordham, Moulton
Clerk – Tracey Thornley

In attendance: 1 member of the public, District Cllr Wharton

37/2020 Apologies

RESOLVED Cllr Brown, Cllr Woodhouse

38/2020 Requests for Dispensations

No requests received

39/2020 Declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests in respect of Agenda items

No declarations were received

40/2020 Minutes of Meeting – Minutes of the meeting held 18th February 2020

RESOLVED Minutes of the Meeting held on 18th February 2020 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Vice Chair.

Police, County and District Councils, and Public Participation

41/2020 Police

PCSO Ross sent her apologies and Cllr Spedding read out her report from 15th February to 11th March there were 2 incidents of note in the Hawkshead area:- 1 crime of harassment recorded and 1 found dog reunited with owner, she also mentioned that she hopes to attend the PC meetings in May and September.

42/2020 Cumbria County Councillor

Cllr not present

43/2020 District Councillor

Cllr Wharton was welcomed to the meeting he gave a brief overview of his background and explained that he shares the area with Cllr Coward and Cllr Hall he covers the most southern part of the district. He has agreed to provide £250 from his locality budget for the Hawkshead Bowling Club. He reported that he is part of the Licensing committee, representative on the LDNPA committee and also part of the Windermere Ferry Group. He was asked about whether he had any influence or information regarding the South Lakes Housing Association and what will be happening regarding Corona Virus and rent relief for tenants, he was sure this was something that will be being looked at but this is not his area, the Housing Association, South Lakes Housing and other Landlords will be looking at this, also whether there were plans for more local housing in the area, this was not something he is involved in.

He was also asked about whether he had any input with Lengthsman he explained that highways issues would be Cumbria County Council not the District Council. He explained that there was now a newly appointed Locality Officer for SLDC Sue Walner and Carol Last for CCC who will be looking at all local areas and their needs. The Lengthsman in the area he covers is very good and they are looking at whether he could do training for other Lengthsmen.

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44/2020 Public Participation

No issues

45/2020 Action Results

UNRESOLVED accessibility of the public footpath from Roger Ground to Hawkshead village - ongoing
UNRESOLVED gravel at Outgate Quarry (Fence W1980989350) (W2080999068) the fencing has been pushed down and cones put along the side of the road but the end is still open – ACTION Clerk to report
RESOLVED progress of maintenance of the website – Clerk had been to see A2A who explained how they had made the site more compliant in particular for partially sighted, our format for Minutes needs to be changed to not include boxes as this can not be read by certain software.

UNRESOLVED research into putting Tree Preservation Orders (TPO) on ancient trees within the parish. Concern regarding a perfectly healthy Yew and Oak trees some of which are 500 years old need protecting. ACTION Clerk to get in touch with LDNPA to find out about getting TPO

UNRESOLVED response from the Lake District National Park Authority regarding electric car charging points in their car park in Hawkshead. A response had been received where they felt the charging points wouldn't influence people not coming to Hawkshead and they were not happy with the PC Minutes. ACTION Clerk to write and confirm that the Minutes were signed as a true record as this is how Councillors felt by the previous response received. Councillors are still concerned about the location of the electric charging points and people are not going to want to pay 2 sets of parking fees.

RESOLVED response regarding trees being surveyed by Heelis Place after one came down recently. A response received from LDNPA saying that the Inspector had been and confirmed that the trees are safe.

UNRESOLVED B4RN scheme/BT Openreach – B4RN has only received 148 expressions of interest they need 300 before they will look at it. By expressing an interest you are not signing anything to say you are committing to it. You can express an interest online at b4rn.org.uk. Research has been done to see what BT are planning in the area, they confirmed that they have no plans to do anything around here at the moment. BT are currently putting cable in to Hill Top and Wray.

46/2020 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) correspondence received they are looking into doing the repairs - ongoing

UNRESOLVED blocked drain near entrance to Howe Farm (W1980989347) (W2080998961) and another one slightly further along the same road before Hawkshead Field (W1980989348) (W2080998960) communication received that further work is required - ongoing

UNRESOLVED Pool Bridge at Town End the middle of the road on the bridge is splitting (W2080993359) (W2081001406) Communication from the Bridge team has been received Cllr Moulton is going to take photos and speak to them. ACTION Cllr Moulton

UNRESOLVED ground outside the Doctors surgery - ongoing

RESOLVED potholes by Outgate Quarry (W1980989351)(W208093353) (W2080999062) – notification received that these have been done

RESOLVED numerous potholes as you head up Hawkshead Hill (W2080993347 and W2080993349) bottom hill (W2080998983) has been filled - by the houses (W2080999030) has been filled UNRESOLVED near top of the hill (W2080999058) notification received that this will need further work - ongoing

UNRESOLVED pot hole road from Outgate to Drunken Duck (W2081001409) report again ACTION TT

UNRESOLVED tarmac crumbling away around grill near fishery (W2081001412) check with Cllr Woodhouse

UNRESOLVED blocked drain by the YHA (W2080998948) notification received that this needs further work - ongoing

UNRESOLVED blocked drain/gully on Hawkshead Hill near houses (W2081001413) Clerk to report again ACTION TT

UNRESOLVED blocked drain past Roger Ground towards Grizedale (W2081001415) Check with Cllr Woodhouse

UNRESOLVED potholes at Hannakin/Grizedale turn (W2081001417) (W208999071) notification received that further work is required - ongoing

RESOLVED potholes just before the YHA (W2080998957) notification received that this has been fixed
RESOLVED potholes just past the layby (Hawkshead end) at Outgate (W2081001511) notification received that this has been fixed
Hawkshead Sign by the Croft is still moving Cllr Spedding has fixed it with new clamps

47/2020 Finance & Governance Issues

RESOLVED Councillors authorised payment of the following accounts:

Tracey Thornley – Clerk wages	£349.20
Tim Brown – Lengthsman duties	£ 91.00

48/2020 Planning

7/2020/5107 – Rough Close, Hawkshead, Ambleside, LA22 0QF – a single storey lounge and entrance extension to the existing property Cllrs viewed the plans and there were no objections. ACTION Clerk to notify Planning

7/2020/5079 – Tolverne, Roger Ground, Ambleside, LA22 0QG – two local needs dwellinghouses – Cllrs viewed the plans and had reservations regarding the high specification of the dwelling houses with the local community having a shortage of low cost housing in the area, whether these would be affordable and therefore object to the plans. ACTION Clerk to notify Planning.

49/2020 **Hawkshead Project** The plans are being drawn up by RG Parkins, research into narrowing the entrance at the North End to stop vehicles thinking they can drive up to the centre is underway RG Parkins are contacting Highways to see if this is something they would agree to.

50/2020 **Snowplough** still trying to get some grit, there are plans in place for Shaun to go with the Coniston gritter to get some at the same time.

51/2020 Councillor Vacancy and Forthcoming Parish Council Elections

Parish elections have been delayed until May 2021. Applications had been received for the Councillor vacancy and had been circulated to Councillors. It was decided in the absence of 2 Councillors and the uncertainty of when the next Parish Council meeting can take place re the Corona Virus the Clerk should arrange an electronic vote. ACTION Clerk to organise for Councillors to vote for a new Councillor and then notify successful and unsuccessful candidates.

52/2020 Councillor Matters

Planning local affordable housing discussion took place regarding concerns that young families are not able to afford properties in the area it was agreed contact should be made with Cllr Anne Hall to ask about how we go about looking at land allocation for local housing. A decline in young families is having an impact on Pre-school and School Cllr Moulton will get a letter from Primary school confirming decline in numbers. ACTION Cllr Moulton to contact School - Clerk to contact Cllr Hall

High Consequence Infectious Disease Policy had been circulated prior to the meeting it had been received recently from CALC. It was felt it was very important in the current situation that this model was adopted. All Cllrs present agreed that the Policy should be signed and Cllr Spedding, Vice Chair signed the Policy (in the absence of the Chair) it is ready to come into effect when required.

Parish Council is very concerned for the community regarding the Corona Virus outbreak. Guidance has been received from the Secretary of State for Local Government, who has made a statement setting out his intention to support local councils by enabling the following points:-

- Councils will be able to use their discretion on deadlines for Freedom of Information requests
- The deadline for local government financial audits will be extended to 30th September 2020

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- It will consider bringing forward legislation to remove the requirement for Annual Council meetings to take place in person
- It will consider bringing forward legislation to allow Councils committee meetings to be held virtually for a temporary period.

Postponement of the next Parish Council meeting – it was agreed that the next meeting scheduled for 21st April will be POSTPONED until the 19th May 2020 subject to conditions improving.

53/2020 Correspondence

Resolved:

LDNPA – Temporary Prohibition of Traffic Order – Footpaths and Bridleways in Grizedale Forest, Broughton Moor, Whinlatter Forest and Wythop Woods – Malcolm Wilson Rally; Trees at Hawkshead Car Park; Car Park prices

CALC – Community Led Housing Advice Surgery – 27 Feb; Major package of support announced by Government for storm hit areas; NW Coastal Access monthly update February; Cumbria in Bloom Pride in your Community Competition and IYN Awards 2020; South Lakeland Local Plan Review; Final Paperwork for District Association meeting; Help campaign for local electricity bill; Climate change event, Penrith 13 March; Marine Planning Consultation poster; Friday Round up; Crosby Ravensworth Tree group; Coronavirus advice from Public Health; Litter pick

TTRO South – Reactivation Road Closure – C5026 Lakeside nr Finsthwaite

SLDC – Update on Storm Dennis; SLDC Agenda for Council Meeting on Tuesday 25th Feb; Local Plan Review; Reminder – Additional O&S meeting – request for topics for consideration by SLDC overview and scrutiny committee 20/21; Update from Flood Advisory service; Climate Focus agenda item; Climate conservation poster; Clerk election information.

Claife PC – Agenda 25th February

PCSO – Police report and bike marking event

Cllr Brodie – FAG Agenda notes March 20; FAG Agenda

Cllr Coward – SLDC update

Friends of the Lake District – Request review of smaller Lakes Byelaws & Response from LDNPA

Planning – 7/2020/5107 Rough Close; 7/2020/5079 Tolverne, Roger Ground.

Zurich – Recent storms

NT – NT drop in session postponed

Westmorland Red Squirrels – meeting reminder

P Hosking, Highways – response to Roger Ground and other highways issues

Rural Services Network – Rural Bulletin March 20; Rural Bulletin 10 March 20

Burnetts Solicitors – Diversity & Inclusion Conference; Coronavirus – A guide to Employers

Cllr Brereton – A590 and surrounding roads and communities

K Johnson, CCC – Ferry Advisory Group – Minutes and Agenda

Cllr Brodie – Windermere Ferry; Upcoming Ferry Advisory Group meeting

Calor – Rural Community Fund ready to support local project; Open applications

Cumbria Strategic Flood Partnership – Draft consultation on environmental and management scheme

Member of the Public – proposed developments at Tolverne Roger Ground

Keep Britain Tidy – Dog Fouling issues

Hawkshead Litter pick 20th April 2020

Lengthsman – Invoice and photo of work

54/2020 Date of next meeting

The next meeting is provisionally scheduled for Tuesday 19th May 2020 at 7.30 pm in the Lower Market Hall, Hawkshead

The meeting closed at 9.13 pm.