

**Minutes of the meeting of Hawkshead Parish Council  
Virtually by Zoom on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2020 at 7.30 pm**

Present: Cllr Woodhouse (Chair)  
Cllrs Brown, Bremner, McClelland, Fordham,  
Clerk – Tracey Thornley

In attendance: County Cllr Brereton, District Cllr Wharton

**100/2020 Apologies**

RESOLVED Cllrs Spedding, Moulton (called out on business), District Cllr Coward

**101/2020 Requests for Dispensations**

No requests received

**102/2020 Declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests in respect of Agenda items**

No declarations were received

**103/2020 Minutes of Meeting – Minutes of the meeting held 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2020 by Zoom**

RESOLVED Minutes of the Meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2020 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chair

**Police, County and District Councils, and Public Participation**

**104/2020 Police**

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

During the period from 18<sup>th</sup> September to 20<sup>th</sup> October 2020 there were 5 incidents of note in the Hawkshead area. These were as follows:- 1 highway disruption – sheep on the road; 1 concern for welfare – male received medical treatment; 1 crime of public order; 2 road traffic collisions – 1 damage only, 1 minor injuries

The Ulverston Community Policing Team have been carrying out operations targeting illegal off-roading motorcyclists around the South Lakes area. It is an issue that has been reported by several local residents. We will carry on with this throughout the autumn but unfortunately, due to the current covid restrictions, we have difficulty working with volunteers as we have previously done.

**105/2020 District Councillor**

Cllr Wharton reported that there is a Hardship Grant of £500 has been made available for those who have to self-isolate and are on low income, claiming different benefits etc.

He reported that he had also given feedback on the planning applications for Tolverne after speaking to local residents.

LIPs funding Squares project – willing to help with accessing the funding, Clerk to keep him in the communication loop.

He reported on his Lake District National Park Authority role that staff are also going through an awful time with consultations currently being undertaken with redundancies and restructuring.

The Covid 19 virus is on the increase in the South Lakes area but more so in built up areas, slightly declining in rural less populated areas. Police are issuing fines to pubs who are not following the rules. LDNPA, SLDC and Police are all working together to encourage people to keep to the rules, wear masks, handwashing etc. It is expected to be busy next week (half term).

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106/2020 County Councillor

Cllr Brereton reported that he had spoken to Karen Dockery and the road at Roger Ground will be resurfaced this year. They will be sending a team out to assess the roads at Hawkshead Hill and just outside Outgate they will then be placed on the list for next year.

Grit and grit bins he has asked Peter Hoskins to send an update to Parishes about what is happening this year with contact details of who to contact when bins need filling etc. He hopes to catch up with Peter in the next two weeks.

Ferry advisory group – he had attended a meeting and spoken to Cllr Brodie who was unable to attend and got most of her points across. There have been two offers of consultancy help from local consultants with the planning for a new vessel.

BARN Project – for superfast fibreoptic broadband service, he talked about encouraging local communities to get involved. Cllrs were able to report that there had been a meeting in Hawkshead last year and there are 250 who have expressed an interest in the project but needed 300 to make it viable.

Cllr Brereton left the meeting.

107/2020 Public Participation

National Trust

The Chair read out an updates report from John Moffat:-

- No vacant houses in the parish and none coming up that I know of
- All our nearby outdoor places remain open including toilets and refreshment sites
- The Beatrix Potter Gallery will remain closed for the rest of this year but will reopen in late March 2021
- Our shop in Hawkshead will not be re-opening and we will be looking to let that out in the very near future – if anyone is interested, they can get in touch with me via this email address ([john.moffat@nationaltrust.org.uk](mailto:john.moffat@nationaltrust.org.uk))
- Hill Top garden is still open daily to 1 November, from there we are going to be trialling having the house open in November at weekends – with numbers being lower it is manageable and will allow us to test for next year
- Wray Castle indoors will remain closed for the rest of this year and will also reopen in late March 2021 with a reduced offer; grounds and café remain open daily
- We have moved into the Outcomes phase of our consultation and are now in the very sad process of making a number of our staff redundant which is really hard for all of our team; hopefully our new team will be in place by year end.

A member of public had been in touch regarding concerns about Covid19 and the planned Hawkshead Christmas Markets attracting too many people into the village from different parts of the country in high numbers. Cllrs were also concerned about the numbers attending, social distancing and had individually been approached by different residents and businesses who were concerned about this. Cllrs had noted that other local Christmas events have been cancelled. Cllr Wharton will see what guidance SLDC are giving to this kind of event and let Cllrs know. Once Cllr Wharton has got back to the Clerk, the Clerk will organise a zoom meeting to decide what should be done next, it is thought that a conversation with the organising committee was the best course of action to see what plans they have in place but Cllrs need to talk to them with correct guidance information.

108/2020 **Ongoing Issues Action Results**

UNRESOLVED accessibility of the public footpath from Roger Ground to Hawkshead village – ongoing  
UNRESOLVED B4RN scheme – as per 106/2020 more expressions of interest are required

RESOLVED the A Boards advertising by the south entrance of Hawkshead – Cllr Woodhouse spoke to owner of the board and it has been removed.

RESOLVED car parked near Pullwoods – the PCSO had responded that the vehicle is not committing a crime and there is nothing that can be done.

RESOLVED update on Lengthsman – Tim has confirmed he will continue with the role during term breaks and Councillors will monitor the situation.

RESOLVED Doctors parking space opposite the Coop – the Doctors Surgery have confirmed that they continue to require that space.

UNRESOLVED Grit supplies for the snowplough – Cllr Brereton has asked Peter Hoskins to provide the information, he will see Peter in a couple of weeks to follow this up.

#### 109/2020 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

RESOLVED Pool Bridge at Town End the middle of the road on the bridge is splitting (W2080993359) (W2081001406) routine inspections had taken place

RESOLVED pot hole road from Outgate to Drunken Duck (W2081001409)

UNRESOLVED blocked drain by the YHA (W2080998948) (W2081009632) ongoing

RESOLVED blocked drain/gully on Hawkshead Hill near houses (W2081001413)

UNRESOLVED blocked drain past Roger Ground towards Grizedale (W2081001415) (W2081009632) ongoing

RESOLVED potholes at the bottom of Dale Park Road (W2081009630)

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

UNRESOLVED three roads identified for urgent attention with Cllr Brereton (Outgate, Roger Ground, Hawkshead Hill) - ongoing

#### 110/2020 Finance & Governance Issues

Resolved Councillors authorised payment of the following accounts: -

Tracey Thornley – Clerk wages (September with backdated payrise included £52.36)	£400.36
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Inland Revenue PAYE month 6	£ 3.00
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Tracey Thornley – Expenses Zoom Subscription	£ 14.39
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Resolved Councillors acknowledged income received

Main Street Car Park Permits	£1400.00
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Old Police Car Park Permits	£ 129.00
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UNRESOLVED a draft budget for 2021/22 was circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting, discussion took place and alterations were made.

RESOLVED the bank statements, accounts and budget monitoring was circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting all agreed that these were correct and the Clerk was asked to sign them as a true record due to the meeting being a virtual online one.

#### 111/2020 Planning

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

7/2020/5534 – Keen Ground, Hawkshead, Ambleside, LA22 0NW – Planning permission is sought for proposed works to alter and extend accommodation to the rear of the main house and to create a new garden room. We propose to create a new two-storey addition to the rear which will replace the existing modern extension and create a new garden room attached to the main house by an enclosed link. The volume of plans online were very difficult to get a full picture, the Clerk was unable to print the images in an appropriate size. Clerk to ask Planning if we can have paper

copies and Councillors will arrange a site visit once they have the plans. ACTION Clerk to contact Planning

T/2020/0135 – Tolverne, Roger Ground, Ambleside, LA22 0QG – Remove trees from eastern boundary. Councillors viewed the application and have no objections to branches being cut back on the boundary. ACTION Clerk to notify Planning

7/2020/5588 – Low Wray Farm, Low Wray, Ambleside, LA22 0JA – New foul drainage configuration for the hamlet of properties at Low Wray. Councillors have no objections to the plans. ACTION Clerk to notify Planning

A planning application had been received after the publication of the Agenda with a deadline prior to the next meeting, Councillors agreed to view the plans as follows:-

7/2020/5600 – Pemrose Cottage, Hawkshead, Ambleside, LA22 0NW – Use of dwelling without condition relating to agricultural occupancy; condition 3 on planning permission 7/1994/5580 – Erection of a dwellinghouse subject to an agricultural occupancy condition. Councillors viewed the application and were agreeable that the agricultural occupancy clause could be removed subject to the property having a local occupancy clause on it. ACTION Clerk to notify Planning.

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

7/2020/5608 – Woodlands, Roger Ground, Ambleside, LA22 0QG – Non-material amendment to planning approval 7/2020/5234 (Extension and alterations) to remove cill and incorporate floor to ceiling glazing to gable glazing. For information only.

#### 112/2020 **Hawkshead Project**

Ongoing SLDC would like timescales which we are waiting for the information to be able to complete their paperwork.

#### 113/2020 **Councillor Matters**

Forestry Motorsport survey – feedback had been given, that it is a benefit to the village but requires better car parking, better mapping, suggested shuttle service for spectators, better road management to avoid blockages on narrow roads.

Remembrance Day 8<sup>th</sup> November – there will be a very short social distanced ceremony, the Chair will present the Poppy Wreath for the Parish Council. Clerk to find out who the contact is for sourcing a wreath this year and get one ordered. ACTION Clerk to source a poppy wreath.

#### 114/2020 **Correspondence**

Resolved the following e-mails received since

CALC – CALC Newsletter; Climate Change Action Plan and supporting documents; Cumbria Arts & Culture Newsletter; Letter to Parish Councils; Action for Health & Mental Health Provider Bulletin; CALC Training Courses; Climate change presentation; Local Plan Review update; NHS Public Consultation; NALC Free Webinar; New National Flood & Coastal Erosion Risk Management Strategy for England; Cumbria CVS Trustee Recruitment; LED Streetlighting replacement programme; Minutes – CALC South Lakeland District Association 17/9/20; Updated list of Reps from South Lakeland District Association to other bodies; Environment Agency Annual Water Company Performance Report; Cumbria River Restoration; Aarhus Convention National Implementation Report 2021; Resignation of Amanda McCleery; Buckingham Council – Journey so far information.

SLDC – NHS Test & Trace – latest guidance on Covid 19 testing; Play Area Transformed; 20 mph speed limit plans for town centres; Kendal College press release; CCC Barrow Covid 19 infection increase; Town

& Parish Council Briefing email 1 and email 3; Climate Change Community Fund Grant; Cumbrian Businesses urged to be ready for NHS Test & Trace App; Grant Scheme; Councils to consider case for new unitary authority; You can download NHS Test & Trace App; SLDC meeting 6/10/20; Masterplan for Industrial Site; Prioritising climate change; Covid signs damaged by vandals; Covid 19 Guidance updated for Cumbria; Friday Round Up; Standards Committee Agenda 13/10/20; Councils approve next steps in talks on potential reorganisation; Letter from Chairman of the Independent and Parish Remuneration panel; CCC Barrow Local Leaders ask Government to impose new Covid 19 restrictions; Subsidised green certification on offer to small businesses; Weekly Coronavirus situation report; Baywind Energy Community Trust.

Forestry Consultation – Forest Management carried out by Forestry England

Member of the Public – Hawkshead Car Park

Cllr Brodie – Ferry contracts; Local Housing Survey

Forestry England – Motorsports review

Coniston PC – Agenda and Minutes

PCSO Ross – Police Report August/September

Member of the Public – History

Claife PC – Minutes 8/9/2020; Agenda 13/10/20; Zoom Invitation 13/10/20

Planning – 7/2020/5534 Keen Ground, Hawkshead; T/2020/0135 Tolvern, Roger Ground; 7/2020/5608

Woodlands, Roger Ground; 7/2020/5588 Low Wray Farm, Low Wray

NHS Morecambe Bay Trust – First virtual Annual Members meeting

Member of the Public (by Post) – Hawkshead Car Park

Member of the Public – Query on item on Minutes

Sportive Lakes – Velo Retro Vintage Cycling June 13<sup>th</sup> 2021

J Cunningham – Community Resources

**115/2020 Date of next meeting**

The next meeting will be Tuesday 17th November 2020 either in the Lower Market Hall, Hawkshead or via Zoom at 7.30 pm.

The meeting closed at 21.01 pm