

Minutes of the meeting of Hawkshead Parish Council
held in the Lower Market Hall, Hawkshead on Tuesday 21st January 2020 at 7.30 pm

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

In attendance: 2 members of the public Cllr Brodie (Claife PC) Cllr Hall (SLDC)

Minute Number		Action By
1/2020	Apologies RESOLVED: Cllr Woodhouse, County Cllr Brereton, District Cllr Coward	
2/2020	Requests for Dispensations No requests received	
3/2020	Declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests in respect of Agenda items Cllr Moulton declared an interest for planning no 7/2019/5815	
4/2020	Minutes of Meetings – Minutes of the meeting held 17th December 2019 RESOLVED Minutes of the Meeting held on 19 th December 2019 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chair.	
5/2020	Police and Public Participation <u>Police</u> A report had been received with details as follows: During the period from 17 th December 2019 to 20 th January 2020 there were 4 incidents of note in the Hawkshead area. These were: 1 crime of harassment recorded; 1 highway disruption; 1 crime of theft from a motor vehicle; 1 fail to stop rtc.	
6/2020	<u>Cumbria County Councillor</u> Not present at the meeting.	
7/2020	<u>District Councillor</u> Cllr Coward sent her apologies and a report which was read out as follows: The Council met on 17 th December to agree the Council plan which will run from 2020 to 2025 and also agreed to the update vision document – To make South Lakeland the best place to live, work and explore. This involves working in 4 interlocking areas – working across boundaries to deliver sustainable growth; creating balanced communities; reducing inequalities; responding to climate change and enhancing biodiversity. On the Economic front, SLDC is working with Lancaster City and Barrow Borough Councils to attract infrastructure funding and other arts and economic projects. SLDC has just launched its annual South Lakeland Business Premises Survey to assess local business needs. The area has also the highest number of business start-ups in Cumbria (76.5 per 10,000 residents compared to 58.5 in Cumbria as a whole.) They are also on target to deliver 1000 affordable homes to rent by 2025, most recently granting £282,000 to the purchase of six properties at Newby Bridge for South Lakes Housing, bringing the total to 468. SLDC is supporting CafS (Cumbria action for Sustainability), which provides advisors to ensure domestic energy and cost reduction. The Council is also backing a social enterprise company called Right2Work which collects bulky items from old sofas to fridges, which will collect up to 3 items for £30. Last year the organisation helped 57 disabled or disadvantaged people into paid work. To tackle the challenge of climate change, the Council has many diverse projects. One is the installation of a cycle hub, with lockers and maintenance facility in Kendal. They are also trying to phase out the use of single use plastics, resourcing, where possible, materials from sustainable sources and are installing seven electric vehicle points in residential areas.	

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8/2020	<p>More than 1,000 new trees will be planted on council-owned land under a massive tree replacement programme as part of flood defence works in Kendal. A further 107 trees will be planted on SLDC and parish sites.</p>	
	<p>Currently on offer are food composters at a discount rate of £15 or £20. (call 0800 013 1304).</p>	
	<p>I am also working on developing some areas of Wildflower meadow in Coniston to highlight the need to encourage bio-diversity and promote pollinators.</p>	TT
	<p>Cllrs raised the issue of having an electric charge point in Hawkshead – Clerk to contact LDNPA to ask if Hawkshead is on the agenda to have some.</p>	
	<p>Cllr Hall reported that there are concerns regarding private water supplies specifically holiday cottages and businesses as there are reports of visitors becoming ill due to not being used to the different water. There are different treatment levels for different levels of usage.</p>	
	<p>County Council Offices are letting some of the offices to private businesses. There is a lot of work going on with housing and in particular there will some houses becoming available through Lakeland Housing Trust at Sawrey.</p>	
<p>Hawkshead residents are going to be offered a free entry to the museum in Coniston. Clerk to forward the contact for the Esthwaite Link to Cllr Hall so she can promote this.</p>	TT	
<p>National Trust – John Moffat sent a report as follows:- they are holding a drop in session in Hawkshead Market Hall on the 24th February from 4pm to 6.30 pm – all welcome. The Beatrix Potter Gallery, Hill Top and Wray Castle will re-open on 15th February ready for half term. Outdoor sites all open as usual now. No empty properties in the parish and not aware of any coming up.</p>		
<p><u>Public Participation</u></p>		
<p>Member of the public voiced concern about Police reports they come infrequent there are lots of incidents that are not being reported, including one that happened to them. Cllrs confirmed that they had been given an opportunity to feedback on the reports and the PCSO presence, this will be included in the feedback.</p>		
<p>Member of the public who is also Treasurer of Bowling Club raised that the Bowling Club are looking for funds and asked whether the PC would consider instead of sending funds direct to the Recreation Ground used for grass cutting whether the PC could pay this direct and save on the VAT saving money to be distributed in other ways. This was discussed and decided that the agreement made at the time when the Recreation Ground was place with Charitable Trust needed to be looked at for the Terms and Conditions. The purchase of fireworks were also discussed under the same idea. Cllr Fordham will look at the documents to be discussed at the next meeting, professional advice will need to be sort to agree this.</p>	KF	
<p>Member of the public also raised that could the insurance also come under one big umbrella discussion took place and Cllr Fordham agreed to speak to Barry Wilson about this.</p>	KF	
<p>Cllr Brodie – Windermere Ferry Advisory Groups (WFAG) representative for Hawkshead and Claife PCs reported that the next meeting is on the 4th March she has drafted letter to send prior to the meeting which covers the following issues of concern – ferry breakdowns since the last meeting, cost of replacing the cables, details of the liner, standing pedestrians, no information to give pedestrians when ferry stops – families have been left stranded more information needed to alert passengers to the fact they can't rely on the ferry both ways. Lack of information regarding ticketing and passenger data not being provided at the meeting. Staff at the Kendal office have mentioned that discount books are going to be discontinued this has not been mentioned at the FAGM Income and costs are not being shared and specifically potential changes to fares but no financial information available so has been put back to the next meeting. These are the main things but Cllr Brodie asks if there is anything</p>		

	<p>else residents, businesses or councillors they want to include to let her know asap.</p> <p>A Councillor raised that the electronic signage was changed at Plumgarths to the road closures at Windermere for the Christmas fair and the ferry information was taken off even when it was closed. Want to know who controls the signage. Not helpful for people heading to Hawkshead.</p> <p>A member of the public who uses the ferry 4 times a day and has a marine background has a lot of serious concerns regarding the current technical running of the ferry. He believes that there are no maintenance logs and operating procedures kept. Maintenance contractor will be changing soon. Concern about the impact when the Ferry is not running and the Ferry is a big tourist attraction.</p>																			
9/2020	<p>Action Results</p> <p>UNRESOLVED accessibility with pushchairs/wheelchairs through the gates on the path to Hawkshead from Roger Ground – Clerk to contact to check whether she is aware that the Landowners are the Grammar School Trust and the Church.</p> <p>UNRESOLVED gravel at Outgate Quarry – response received still no progress on the gravel being removed</p> <p>UNRESOLVED the twisted sign by the Croft – Cllr Fordham to ask the Lengthsman</p> <p>RESOLVED funding Defibrillator - request for £106 funding for the maintenance and replacement parts due to wear and tear of the Hawkshead defibrillator – all agreed that this should be supported and paid and that this was essential to the village. Clerk to raise a cheque for this.</p> <p>UNRESOLVED progress on the website – Clerk to chase up progress</p>	<p>TT</p> <p>KF</p> <p>TT</p> <p>TT</p>																		
10/2020	<p>Highways Issues</p> <p><u>To note Highways issues in the Parish -</u></p> <p>UNRESOLVED Roger Ground problems are not resolved W1980989349 Clerk to continue to report</p> <p>UNRESOLVED blocked drains by Howe Farm entrance W1980989347 and further along the road between the farm and Hawkshead Field W1980989348 – Clerk to check with Cllr Woodhouse whether this has been done.</p> <p>Pot hole sunk just past turn for Sawrey by the Fishery. Clerk to report</p> <p>Pool Bridge at Town end in the middle of road is splitting in the middle. Clerk to report</p> <p>Ground outside doctors is ruined – Cllr Moulton will put some canes up to protect the ground</p> <p>A lot of potholes by Outgate quarry – Clerk to report</p> <p>A lot of Pot holes as you head up Hawkshead Hill – Clerk to report</p>	<p>TT</p> <p>TT</p> <p>TT</p> <p>TT</p> <p>TT</p> <p>IM</p> <p>TT</p>																		
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12/2020	<p>Planning</p> <p>The Councillors considered planning application and formulated comments to the Planning Authority:-</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">7/2019/5810 – Sand Ground, Hawkshead Hill, Ambleside, LA22 0PS – Proposed installation of a sewage treatment plant to replace the existing septic tank – Cllrs viewed the plans and had no objections. Clerk to notify Planning.</p>	<p>TT</p>																		

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	7/2019/5815 – The Fuel Centre, Hannakin, Hawkshead, LA22 0PZ – Removing a timber shed and replacing with a steel cabin for employee administration benefits. Cllr Moulton didn't join in discussions the remaining Cllrs viewed the plans and had no objections. Clerk to notify Planning.	TT
13/2020	Hawkshead Project – some of the Committee had met with a gentleman to draw the detailed plans, the quote came in above the threshold the Clerk will get quotes from other companies.	TT
14/2020	Snowplough – Nothing to report – Cllr Brown will check on salt supplies	
15/2020	Councillor Vacancy – there has been no applicant Clerk to put it in Esthwaite Link	TT
16/2020	<p>Councillors Matters</p> <p>Cllr Fordham – concern that residents of Roger Ground have had ancient broadleaves taken down. He suggests that the PC looks at putting some tree preservation orders on ancient/mature trees in the village to avoid this happening. Cumbria CC looking at planting trees need to preserve what we have, recommended that the Parish Council contact Graham Nicholson at SLDC regarding this. Cllr Fordham will look into this.</p> <p>Cllr Fordham talked about a scheme called B4RN it's a charity with an aim to get high speed internet to people's front doors. It's a community scheme with an initial set up of £150 and then would cost £30 a month. Mr Kessler has arranged a public information meeting on the 4th February in the Market Hall, Cllr Fordham felt it was something that the PC should be supporting.</p> <p>Cllr McClennan reported that the trees at Heelis Place have some low branches need surveying after a tree came down near the houses last Monday. Clerk to ask for an update.</p> <p>Cllr Moulton mentioned that the tree root outside Grammar School barn has raised the tarmac, the Grammar School Trust intend to pull the tree out. Cllr Moulton will notify the Clerk when they plan to do this work she will then notify Highways that the footpath will need attention.</p>	<p>KF</p> <p>TT</p> <p>IM/TT</p>
17/2020	<p>Correspondence</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>First Responders – Annual Defibrillator charge help Fred Whitton Committee – Challenge 2020 – Event date and closure notification CALC -Cumbria Arts & Culture Network Newsletter; Christmas Bulletin Action for Health and Mental Health Provider Forum 16/12/19; Cumbria CVS – Volunteer Manager Training, Volunteer Training & Twitter hour; Buckingham Palace Garden Party 2020; Developing your skills programme January to July 2020; Paperwork for next meeting of CALC South Lakeland 5/3/20 from 7pm Gilpin Bridge; Cumbria Arts & Culture Network Newsletter; Cumbria CVS Ebulletin – 9/1/20; North West Coastal Access Monthly update January. NHS – Winter Bay Health & Care Partners Newsletter E Ette – Weekly list 9/12/19 Planning – Sound Ground 7/2019/5810; The Fuel Centre 7/2019/5815 SLDC – Parish Precept Form 20-21 Cllr Brodie – Windermere Ferry Cumbria Police – Town & Parish Councils feedback PCSOs – <i>Cllr McClennan will reply Clerk to forward the email</i> Member of public – Problem with payment in public toilets TTRO South – Reactivation Road Closure – A5084 Water Yeat Zurich – Insurance Renewal Hawkshead Market Hall – Invoice Hawkshead Xmas Fair 2020 – dates and members T Benson, SLDC – Parish Elections in 2020 Cumbria CC – Tar Bound planning in storage area Member of public – Query on budget – <i>Clerk to reply thank you for your message your comments have been noted.</i> LDNPA – Notice of Intention to prohibit Traffic over part of public footpaths 512054 Tarn Hows Hawkshead Link – Community Circulars help Cllr Coward – RSN Rural Funding Digest 2020</p>	<p>TT/MM</p> <p>TT</p>
18/2020	<p>Next Meeting</p> <p>The next meeting will be on the 18th February 2020 at 7.30 pm in the Lower Market Hall, Hawkshead</p>	

Meeting closed 9.15 pm

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