Minutes of a meeting of Burneside Parish Council held at St Oswald's Church Room, Burneside, on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2023 at 7pm.

Present were Councillors William Huck (Chairman), Tonia Armer, Trish Holt, Julie Huck and Derrick Wade, one member of the public and Parish Clerk Kevin Price. Apologies for absence were accepted from Councillor Stephen Roberts.

23/86 Public participation: None.

23/87 Requests for Dispensations: None.

#### 23/88 Declarations of Interest:

There were no Declarations of Interest made in respect of any matters on the agenda.

## 23/89 Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2023, having been circulated were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

## 23/90 Councillor Vacancies:

It was resolved to co-opt Matthew Fitton and Sam Kilpatrick to the Council. Councillor Fitton signed the Declarations of Acceptance of Office and took his seat. Councillor Kilpatrick could not attend this meeting and will sign at the next meeting.

The Chairman welcomed them both to the Council.

## 23/91 **Updates**:

Councillor William Huck updated the Council as follows:

- a. He had not been able to complete some of the outstanding tasks and these will be attended to as soon as possible.
- b. The Remembrance soldiers were put up and the wreath laid on behalf of the Council.
- c. United Utilities had been contacted regarding the resident concerns discussed at the last meeting, but no response has been received as yet.
- d. The Clerk spoke to Councillor Mark Kidd who confirmed Burneside would have the use of the Speed Indicator Device after Grayrigg.
- e. The faded road markings in the centre of the village were reported.
- f. He has spoken to W&F Highways they are going to arrange a Private Works Agreement for the previous CCC Highways scheme for Bonningate. They have put Burneside on the list of those who are interested in the new 20mph scheme/ policy for certain areas. Other Highway issues remain; the Council will have to keep reporting/ pushing for action on these.
- g. He had reported the items left at the clothes bank as fly-tipping and W&F Council collected these.

- h. Councillors attended a meeting with Croppers PLC et al, with some of the following points: The fencing and wall repairs are ongoing/happening soon. Signage and wagons turning around in the village will be monitored. The play park was discussed.
- i. D Day Beacon- the land owner has suggested Burneside Head or by the Elba Monument as suitable locations. These will be looked into.
- j. The Clean River Kent Campaign exhibition was attended.
- k. There may be some movement from W&F Council regarding reinstating the railings opposite the chippy.
- I. No response has yet been received from South Lakes Housing with regard to the damaged walls on Hall Road.
- m. The Handyman was asked if he could tidy the Hollins bus stop area, leaves from village paths and also the overgrown path between Bowston and Cowan Head although the latter may be for when there is better weather.

Councillor Wade reported that a car was parking in a dangerous way near the school, but this has now been resolved.

## 23/92 Reports:

The W&F Councillor was not in attendance.

## 23/93 Finance:

a. It was resolved to pay the following accounts:

K M Price £231.44 Backpay to 1st April 2023

- b. The Pay Award for Clerks, notified by CLAC/NALC was approved. This is for £1 per hour increase across all salary points, backdated to 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023. Burneside's Clerk is employed for 12 hours weekly on salary point 22.
- c. The Budget Report was considered and it was resolved to make a Precept upon Westmorland & Furness Council in the sum of £27,784 for the financial year 2024-25. There is therefore no increase in the parish element of the Council Tax.

## 23/94 Planning:

The following application was considered and no objections were raised:

7/2023/5707 The Lodge, Windermere Road, Construction of a new garage/workshop.

#### 23/95 Former toilet block:

The form, discussed at the last meeting, has now been completed and submitted to Westmorland & Furness Council, where it will be examined and the Council advised of any action.

#### 23/96 Defibrillator for Bowston:

A location is required as well as someone who is willing to look after a defibrillator, if one is obtained. Councillor Armer had not had any luck with a location and no volunteers had come forward. It was agreed to advertise in the newsletter again.

# 23/97 Play Park:

At the meeting with Croppers PLC et al in November the play park was discussed as it is owned and maintained by the Anglers Trust. Plans were shown of what a potential new play park could look like. It was agreed that this project should be taken forward by trying to get a group of volunteers together to have an initial meeting. Councillors Holt and Armer will be the point of contact on initial posters and Councillor Julie Huck is going to attend a school assembly to hear ideas from the children. Councillor Will Huck has also received a quotation for the costs of upgrading equipment at the play park.

## 23/98 Correspondence:

A report of a broken sign at Bonningate had been quickly attended to after the Clerk contacted W&F Council.

The EA has invited the Council to attend a meeting regarding their communications plan for the upcoming flood prevention scheme.

## 23/99 Open Forum:

The first CALC Westmorland and Furness forum meeting is to be held at 7pm on 12<sup>th</sup> December.

The heavy snowfall was discussed.

The school Christmas Fair had been really nice; well done to those involved.

The Christingle and tree lighting were really good, thanks to all those involved.

## 23/100 Date of the next meeting:

Tuesday 20th February 2024 at 7pm at St Oswald's Church Room, Burneside.

Upcoming:

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April

Tuesday 7th May - Annual Meeting

The meeting closed at 8.20pm.

# Signed

Dated