

Minutes of a meeting of Burneside Parish Council held at St Oswald's Church Room on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at 7pm.

Present were Councillors William Huck (Chairman), Tonia Armer, Trish Holt, Julie Huck, Keith Tondeur and Derrick Wade, Councillor Hazel Hodgson (Councillor Elect for the Westmorland and Furness Council), two members of the public and Parish Clerk Kevin Price.

The Chairman welcomed Councillor Patricia Holt to her first meeting. She then signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

**22/78 Public participation:**

A resident said that she was here due to her interest in Hollins Lane (traffic) as it is very dangerous.

**22/79 Requests for Dispensations:** None.

**22/80 Declarations of Interest:**

Councillors Holt and Wade declared an interest, as members of the Burneside Residents Association committee, should any relevant matters be discussed.

**22/81 Minutes:**

The minutes of the meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> September 2022, having been circulated were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

**22/82 Council Vacancies:**

There had been no firm expressions of interest in the five vacancies but a flier is being produced for inclusion with the Parish Newsletter, advertising the need for new Councillors. This will be delivered to over 600 homes.

**22/83 County and District Councillor's Reports: .**

*Councillor Hodgson mentioned the following:*

- a. CALC are holding a TEAMS meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> November to hear more about the new Westmorland and Furness Council.
- b. Some roles and responsibilities for the new Council have been decided, some have not. The future Highways has not yet been decided, but Planning will be staying in the district.
- c. There is to be a consultation for Parish Councils from Westmorland and Furness Council
- d. There is still some money left in the Hardship Fund.

## **22/84 Updates:**

*Councillor William Huck updated the Council as follows:*

- a. The hedges on Sharps Lane have now been cut back.
- b. Highways, including various issues around the Parish: A response has not yet been received, but the Council will continue to follow it up.
- c. Village Entry Signs: The memorandum of agreement was sent back, CCC Highways is due to make the signs. Installation will be negotiated with the contractor.
- d. Civility and Respect Pledge: This needs to be completed.
- e. Emergency Plan: This needs to be completed.
- f. Defibrillator: Organising the update and new pads with the company has been very difficult but it is hoped this will be completed soon.
- g. Holme Houses Tree Planting: This is to be arranged with Judith Notley.
- h. Hedgehog Signs: Several signs have been given out and placed in suitable locations.
- i. Riverside area at Steeles Row: The safety of this area was reported due to the lack of boundary to the river and continues to be investigated.
- j. The Play Park gate has been temporarily fixed by Stan Wilson and Councillor Wade. The Play Park was discussed in general; The Anglers Trust will be contacted.

*Councillor Tondeur updated the Council as follows:*

- a. The Fairer South Lakes fund has made a grant to the Council/Residents Association of £5,000 to continue their work in alleviating local food poverty.
- b. The recent Community Plan meeting highlighted the longstanding problem of sewage. Tim Farron MP has received a response from United Utilities that states they are still planning to appoint a contractor in early 2023 to start work on the project later that year. He has also written to the Government Minister responsible.
- c. He had attended a meeting of the multi Flood Agency and had met a new volunteer who lives in the Parish and is keen to help; a walk around the village is to be organised.
- d. A 'drop in' for the proposed Solar Panel site by Ellergreen will be held at the Bryce Institute on 9<sup>th</sup> November from 12.30-18:30pm.

*Roger Leather updated the Council on issues relating to the Lakes Line:*

- a. B4RN had concluded their work in August, with Croppers PLC now connected.
- b. He thanked the Council for the grant towards the observance of the 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the line.
- c. Burneside station is in need of some re-painting and general repairs.
- d. The flower tubs/areas are looking good, funding was received from Northern.
- e. The Station House is for sale, which includes the ownership of the road. It is important that the parking space for the station is retained, and the lack of lighting needs to be discussed again at some point.

- f. The ticket machine is not working and has been out of order for some time, as has the machine at Staveley station. These have since been repaired.
- g. 6 coach trains will soon be using the line. Burneside platform is large enough for 4 coaches; the Staveley platform is to be extended.
- h. The possible 'loop' to be provided, hopefully, at Burneside is still under discussion and there is currently another attempt to gain funding.
- i. The Windermere Gateway project is now called the 'Windermere Vision'. Communication from the project management has been questioned by a number of people.

### **22/85 Community Plan:**

The meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> September had been very well attended. Attendees were asked to note down thoughts regarding the Parish and from the list gathered all issues are matters that have been raised and discussed before. Seven people had volunteered to help in various village initiatives and it was agreed that the Council keeps everyone updated if anything specific is planned. It was resolved that this will be an agenda item for the next meeting, when a list of issues will be drawn up and put in order of priority so that they can be moved forward.

### **22/86 Parish Handyman:**

Due to issues with CCC, the Parish Handyman is only able to undertake tasks that do not come under their responsibility. Councillor William Huck has contacted CCC to try and find a resolution but is yet to receive a response. Until then, the Handyman will not be able to undertake some tasks that are suggested.

A suggestion had been received regarding cutting the churchyard grass but (following recent experiences at one of the Clerk's other Councils), the Clerk pointed out that the legality of such a payment could be challenged and the advice received from CALC was that it should not be done

### **22/87 Finance:**

*a. It was resolved to pay the following accounts:*

Chris Rabone Landscapes	£180.00	Maintenance – (noted)
Chris Rabone Landscapes	£168.00	Maintenance (Millennium Green) –(noted)
Littlejohn LLP	£240.00	External Audit
Mr S Wilson	£262.50	Handyman work - (noted)
Bryce Institute	£36.00	Hire of hall
Judith Notley	£123.38	Community fridge - supplies – (noted)
HMRC	£567.95	PAYE – (noted)
Tonia Armer	£73.00	Bulbs for planting
Tonia Armer	£69.40	Bulbs for planting
William Huck	£15.85	Refreshments for Community Plan meeting - (noted)

K M Price      £279.97      Quarterly expenses to 30th September, including use of home office, payroll administration and travel.

- b. Councillor William Huck had spoken with Burneside Cricket Club regarding funding; some repairs are needed to the roof of the club, amongst other things. A grant application form will be presented prior to the next meeting if received.

## **22/88 Planning:**

*The following applications were considered:*

SL/2022/0848 James Cropper PLC, Burneside Mill. Installation of new loading bay door and pass door into warehouse extension (Retrospective).  
No objections.

SL/2022/.0859 Plantation Filling Station, Plantation Bridge. Installation of 30,000 litre above ground diesel tank (Resubmission of SL/2022/0559).  
Since Burneside Parish Council originally commented on the two previous planning applications at this site, it has become apparent that a number of local residents have significant concerns regarding the proposed developments. The Council feel that it is paramount that SLDC take these concerns into account in their consideration of this application.

7/2022/5503 Bannel Burn, Windermere Road. Full demolition of existing dwelling & construction of single replacement with provision of a linked garage and additional accommodation.

1. The inclusion of the Sustainable Urban Drainage system is positive and will have a positive impact on surface water issues at Bannel Head.
2. The sustainable design of the new building is a positive feature, however the Council does wonder about the sustainability aspect of completely demolishing a habitable dwelling.
3. The Council questions why the additional accommodation requires the provision of a kitchen and living area, this makes it appear like separate accommodation, with separate access.
4. From the plans the footprint of the new dwelling appears to be somewhat larger than the existing dwelling.

## **22/89 Open Forum:**

- a. Geoffrey Marvin had notified the Council that The Bryce Street Strummers have been fund raising for Ukraine and, should families from Ukraine come to live in the area, they would be happy to be involved in a welcome event.
- b. Signs at Ratherheath Lane junction on the B5284 had been reported to CCC Highways, requesting repair/reinstatement.
- c. A local resident had contacted Fibrus regarding their reinstatement work in Bowston.

- d. There will be an agenda item at the next meeting to consider helping to fund the Burneside Residents Association Christmas tree and lights.
- e. There will be a 'Clean up the River Kent' event at Staveley on 21<sup>st</sup> October.
- f. The Chairman informed the Council that he is starting a new job soon and his capacity for Parish Council work will be reduced.

**22/90 Date of the next meeting:**

***Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2022 at 7pm at St Oswald's Church Room, Burneside at 7pm. This will be the Precept Meeting.***

*The meeting closed at 8.50pm.*

*Signed:*

*Dated:*