Minutes of a meeting of Burneside Parish Council held at St Oswald's Church Room, Burneside, on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at 7pm.

Present were Councillors William Huck (Chairman), Tonia Armer, Julie Huck, Sam Kilpatrick and Derrick Wade, three members of the public and Parish Clerk Kevin Price. Apologies for absence were accepted from Councillors Trish Holt, Matt Fitton and Stephen Roberts.

The Chairman welcomed Councillor Sam Kilpatrick to his first meeting, who then signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

# 24/1 Public participation:

- a. John Peatfield spoke, with reference to Agenda item 11 'House Martin and Swift Project'. These birds are on the UK 'red list' and the aim of the project is to help them flourish in the parish. The Council fully supports this project and funding will be an agenda item at the next meeting.
- b. The future location of the flood store was discussed due to the lack of space in the shed and whether any other potential locations had been found after the meeting with Croppers PLC et al. No update had been received so this will be chased up.
- c. Roger Leather said there was nothing new to report on the Lakes Line or on the possibility of a passing loop being installed. The number of train cancellations is mainly due to high sickness levels.

## 24/2 Requests for Dispensations: None.

## 24/3 Declarations of Interest:

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

## 24/4 Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> December 2023, having been circulated were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

## 24/5 Updates:

- a. A meeting with the EA was attended, regarding communications for the future works in the parish.
- b. The free portrait of King Charles was ordered on behalf of the Council; it will be placed in the Church Meeting Room.
- c. D-Day Beacon- this will be discussed again at the next meeting to see if anyone would like to take it on.
- d. Hall Road walls- Tim Farron was contacted, who has spoken with South Lakes Housing; they have apologised, said quotations will be sought for the works and the Council kept updated.
- e. The Clerk will ask Staveley with Ings Parish Council when the SID is likely to be available for use in Burneside.

- f. Dog fouling signs were put on up the Mill footpath. The footpath is still not in a good state; Croppers PLC will be contacted about the progress on this.
- g. Planters were tidied up.
- h. Amanda kindly made the Council a vacancy poster which went in the newsletter and will be put on Facebook.
- i. No update had been received regarding the railings opposite the Chippy, this will be chased up.
- j. Toilet block- the submitted form has been acknowledged by Westmorland & Furness Council.
- k. Play Park- the poster blurb has been updated, the signs need to be arranged to go up and the school assembly reorganised.
- I. A CALC meeting was attended re; 20mph scheme.
- m. A large number of issues have been reported to Highways including potholes and overgrown hedges/trees.
- n. Councillor Armer said that volunteers had been found both at Bowston and Cowan Head to check on defibrillators there, the cost and location now need to be looked into.
- o. Councillor Wade reported that the white lines in the centre of the village have still not been replaced, the Clerk will send another report in.

## 24/6 Reports:

None, the Elected Councillor was not present.

## 24/7 Finance:

a. It was resolved to pay the following accounts:

A2A Advertising Limited		
	£36.00	Website domain
K M Price	£202.83	Quarterly expenses to 31 <sup>st</sup> December,
		Including use of home office and travel.

- b. The Clerk circulated a financial update.
- c. The transfer of grant funds for the purchase of food vouchers was agreed, the exact amount being negotiated with Gill Holmes at Westmorland & Furness Council.
- d. The report from the External Auditor on the Council's accounts for 2023-24 was received; the Council had received a clear report but there were a few comments made on the report, which the Chairman and Clerk will discuss shortly.

## 24/8 Planning:

None.

## 24/9 Highways:

- a. The Private Works Agreement for the Bonningate part of the Traffic Plan has been signed and returned to Westmorland & Furness Council. It is not known when this work will begin.
- b. A formal application to Westmorland & Furness Council for a 20mph speed limit has been submitted. Other issues were also included such as a school crossing and lack of footpath on Hollins Lane, in the hope that these could be addressed in the same works scheme. In due course, applications will be prioritised and agreed at a Locality meeting.
- c. A parent has started a petition for a school crossing, it is hoped that this will also encourage Westmorland &Furness Highways to take action.

# 24/10 House Martin and Swift Project:

Discussed under Public Participation.

## 24/11 Community Notice Board:

After much effort, Westmorland & Furness Council has confirmed the noticeboard was removed by them and it is now at their Depot. Our Westmorland & Furness Council Officer is looking into this, but it has been requested that the noticeboard be reinstalled as soon as possible.

## 24/12 Community Library:

The Council agreed this is a good idea but a location would be required. More information in terms of numbers of books etc. is required.

## 24/13 Planters:

It was agreed to give a set figure to the person that manages the Bowston planter so required items can be purchased.

## 24/14 Parish litter pick:

Instead of an organised litter pick, it was suggested that people could do it as and when they wish to, a number of people already regularly litter pick. A note will be put in the newsletter to let people know how anyone can pick up a litter picker and a hivis clothing from the Residents Association. Some signs will also be put up to deter car littering.

## 24/15 Correspondence:

- a. Jason Harte from Westmorland and Furness Council has asked for a meeting. The Chairman has replied and awaits further contact.
- b. The missing community noticeboard had been reported by a resident.
- c. A resident had responded to the Chairman with their disappointment regarding the planning response to the U.U scheme, the Chairman had replied.

- d. An email had been received from Westmorland & Furness Council to say that street lighting will not be charged at present.
- e. United Utilities; wishing to attend a meeting of the Parish Council, access will be maintained to properties and they hope the project will begin in spring. The Chairman will negotiate a suitable date with them.
- f. Neal Andrews from the Carlisle Diocese had contacted the Council regarding the bus shelter opposite the Church.

# 24/16 Open Forum:

The Chairman had attended the funeral for the late Councillor Leith Hallatsch, Mayor of Windermere and Bowness Town Council, who was also greatly involved with CALC.

There are branches blocking the entrance sign at Eggholme, this will be reported.

The Standing Orders of the Council need updating and reprinting, Clerk and Chairman to discuss.

Unfortunately, some volunteers who deliver the newsletter can no longer do this, the proposal of printing less and people collecting their own was agreed. It was noted it would be good if some are available in the bakery, shop etc.

## 24/17 Date of the next meetings:

*Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2024 at 7pm at St Oswald's Church Room, Burneside.* 

# *Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2024 at 7pm at St Oswald's Church Room, Burneside (This will be the Annual Parish Meeting and the Annual Council Meeting)*

The meeting closed at 8.05pm

Signed:

Dated: