

BURTON-IN-KENDAL PARISH COUNCILwww.burton-in-kendal-pc.gov.uk**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 15 August 2013
at 7.30 pm in the Memorial Hall, Burton-in-Kendal**

PRESENT. Cllrs M Taylor (Chairman), J Brown, G Isherwood, P Rogers, A Wren and Parish Clerk P Smith. County and District Cllr R Bingham was in attendance.

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE. PCSOs Coleman and Dakin attended at 7:00pm to confirm that there had been no reported crime in Burton during the previous month. Seven members of the public were present.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies were accepted from Cllrs J Hopwood, I Hunt, F Mason-Hornby, and M Rowley. Apologies were noted from Dist Cllr B Cooper.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATION. Cllr J Brown declared an interest in Item 10 as a resident of Church Bank Gardens.

3. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD. The minutes of the meeting held on 18 July 2013 were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

4. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS.

(ACTION)

a. The Annual General Meeting of the CALC District Association is to be held on Thursday 26 September at 7:00pm in the Gilpin Bridge Inn. The Chairman will be attending and other councillors were invited to join him.

5. OPEN FORUM. A group of residents expressed their concern with the planning application to build two dwellings at the top of Thornleigh Drive. They were particularly concerned that the private unadopted road was unsuitable for further traffic, particularly construction traffic which would damage the privately maintained road surface. They also expressed concern that the drainage infrastructure may be incapable of taking the extra load. There was also concern that the egress from Thornleigh drive was dangerous. The architect, also a resident, considered that the addition of two new dwellings would not significantly affect the road usage and that damage during construction could be recorded and rectified. She reported that considerable care had been put into reducing the impact of the proposed dwellings on neighbouring properties. A further discussion, not immediately relevant to the planning approval, revolved around an existing covenant on the land.

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

(PS)

a. Applications granted:

i. **SL/2013/0429** 10 Thornleigh Drive, Two storey rear extension.

ii. **SL/2013/0457** Morewood School, Alterations and extensions.

iii. **SL/2013/0511** 2, Drovers Way, Two storey side extension.

b. Applications refused: None.

c. Applications received:

i. **SL/2013/0639** Holly Cottage Clawthorpe, Alterations and Extension for Mr Richard Duckett. No Objection.

ii. **SL/2013/0692** 20, St James Drive, First Floor extension for Mr and Mrs Turner. No Objection.

iii. **SL/2013/0736** Sandy Gap Barn, Retrospective approval for a static caravan for holiday let for Mr Littlefair. (Postponed until consultation papers received).

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iv. **SL/2013/0748** 5, Thornleigh Drive, Two new dwellings to be built within the curtilage of the property for Mrs Brown.

The Council resolved to object to this application on the grounds that the proposed dwellings would be outside the development boundary of the village. The Council was also concerned that the application for development at the end of a private road had been made without consultation with all the residents who owned the road and were responsible for its upkeep.

v. **TR/2013/0086** Hall Gardens, Tanpits Lane, Removal of sycamore tree, for Mr Van Laarhoven. The Council noted this application.

7. **FINANCE.** The Council received the Income and Expenditure Account and bank balances as at 15 August 13:

Income to date	£12294.43		
Expenditure to date	<u>£10404.13</u>	NatWest Current	£2160.18
Difference	£1890.30	NatWest Savings	£14817.90
Balance at 1/04/11	<u>£14177.57</u>	Less cheques etc	<u>-£910.21</u>
Carried forward	£16067.87	Carried Forward	£16067.87

8. **ACCOUNTS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT AND CHEQUES SIGNED.** (PS)

a.	Lengthsman's hours and expenses to 30 June 2013.	£370.42
b.	Clerk's salary and expenses 1 July to 31 July 2013.	£174.99
c.	Able Memorials Milestone Refurbishment	£364.80

9. **APPROVE TRANSFER FROM DEPOSIT ACCOUNT.** The Council approved the routine planned transfer of £3000 from the deposit to the current account. (PS)

10. **LOCAL PLAN LAND ALLOCATIONS FURTHER CONSULTATION.** In response to the consultation on the Local Plan Land Allocations (further proposed main modifications), the Council resolved to object to the proposal for widening Church Bank Gardens to allow improved access. The Council consider that it is impractical to widen the road whilst retaining the pavement. Furthermore the Council consider that the gradient of this unadopted road is unsuitable for a public access road. (PS)

11. **100 DEFIBRILLATORS IN 100 DAYS.** The Council agreed that with an active and well equipped First Responder group in the village there was no advantage to be gained in buying a Public Access Defibrillator as part of the CCC Chairman's campaign for 100 Defibrillators in 100 Days.

12. **COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW SECOND STAGE CONSULTATION.** The Council noted that the SLDC Community Governance Review has recommended no change to the electoral arrangements for Burton-in-Kendal. The review commented that Burton-in-Kendal has not had a contested election for several years and that additional publicity at the appropriate time might encourage greater participation.

13. **CCC NOMINATED NEIGHBOUR SCHEME.** The Council noted the launch of the CCC Nominated Neighbour Scheme which encourages vulnerable residents to nominate a neighbour to assist with the identification of unexpected callers.

14. **PARKING AT MOREWOOD SCHOOL.** The Council noted the correspondence from the Chairman of the School Governors and from residents on the subject of traffic problems during the school run times. The Council encourages residents with views on this subject to pass their suggestions to one of the Councillors or the Clerk so that the Council can consider as many ideas as possible. There will be a full discussion of this subject at the September or October meetings.

15. **REPLACEMENT CLERK.** The Council recommended that requirement for a replacement Clerk be mentioned in the Westmorland Gazette and Burton News reports. Subsequently CALC would be asked to advertise the post and consideration would be given to a Westmorland Gazette advertisement. (PS)

16. **OUTSTANDING ACTION ITEMS.** The following changes to the recorded Action Items were noted:

- The Clawthorpe Information Shelter work was due completion.
- No suggestions had been made for a location for a Flag Pole.
- The Council had registered the village interest in the Shop Front Scheme.

17. **LENGTHSMAN'S LOG OF PLAYGROUND INSPECTION, REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS, AND REPORTS FROM PARISH, COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS.**

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- a. There were no unresolved playground problems.
- b. Cllr Rogers had attended the Speed Indicator Device course. The device would be installed in January.
- c. Cllr Brown had discussed the Post Office Community Enterprise Fund with Gill at the Post Office. She was keen to get involved if residents had suggestions for ways in which the Post Office could provide further services to the village.
- d. Cllr Isherwood offered to arrange a visit to the School for councillors who wished to see the new alterations. (All)
- e. Cllr Wren proposed that the Council register its interest in hosting an SLDC planning workshop for the Council and interested residents. This was agreed. (PS)
- f. County Cllr Bingham confirmed that he has arranged for a grant of £1000 to assist with the cost of the lengthsmen. (PS)

18. **TO NOTE COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED.** The communications listed below were noted. The Council agreed to respond positively to the offer from SLDC to hold planning workshops in village halls. (PS)

19. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING:** The next meeting will be on **Thursday 19 September 2013 at 7:30pm.**

The Meeting Closed at 8:40 pm

Schedule of Communications to 10 August 2013 Significant communications received:

- 1. **By e-mail forwarded to Councillors:**
 - a. Community Payback Scheme.
 - b. Report from resident on Neddy Hill road surface.
 - c. CALC Weekly Updates.
 - d. Police Newsletter.
 - e. Revised Code of Conduct Guidance.
 - f. National agreement on levels of pay for Parish Clerks.
 - g. Proposal from resident to create a school pick-up/drop-off zone.
 - h. Offer from SLDC to hold a planning workshop in selected village halls.
- 2. **In circulation folder:**
 - a. Proposal from BDS Fuels for a community pricing scheme.
 - b. Traffic problems during school run times from the Chairman of the School Governors.

GLOSSARY OF ABBREVIATIONS

CALC	Cumbria Association of Local Councils
CCC	Cumbria County Council
DCLG	Department of Communities and Local Government
LAP	Local area Partnership
LDF	Local Development Framework
PCSO	Police Community Support Officer
ROWIP	Rights of Way Improvement Programme
SLDC	South Lakeland District Council

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