

DUNDRAW PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at Wheyrigg Hall Hotel on Monday 21st January, 2019 at 7.30 p.m.

Present:

J. Bennett (Chair)

J. Dockeray

G. Franks

L. Hall

G. Steel

C. Storey

Also Present:

Five members of the public

J. Rae (Clerk)

57 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs A. Hedworth, Allerdale Borough Councillor and J. Lister, Cumbria County Councillor.

58 MINUTES 19 NOVEMBER 2018

The minutes of the meeting held on 19th November, 2018 were approved as a true record and were signed by the Chairman.

59 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None received.

60 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MEETING ON 19 NOVEMBER 2018

Odour emanating from slurry lagoon – This matter is ongoing.

61 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The following matters were raised:

Thomason Nelson Charity – Stephen Wood and Nelson Murray provided members with information in relation to the Thomason Nelson Charity. Members were advised that since the sad passing away of Mr J. Stockdale, who was a trustee and signatory of the above charity, Mr Murray is now the only remaining trustee. The Thomason Nelson Charity Trust Document states that the Trustees shall consist of five persons, one of which should be from the Parish of Dundraw. Currently the Charity is not functioning and there is a need to appoint new Trustees to the Charity.

Allerdale Speed Limit Review – Waverbridge. Two residents from Waverbridge thanked the parish council for their support in opposing Cumbria County Council's proposal to increase the speed limit through Waverbridge to 40mph. Members were informed that the County Council had decided against the increase. Traffic calming measures were discussed and whether it would be possible for monitoring and enforcement of the speed limit to be undertaken at this location. It was agreed that the Parish Council would write to Highways to enquire if flashing warning signs could be implemented at Waverbridge. The Parish Council would also contact Cumbria Police regarding measures of enforcing the speed limit.

62 REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES

Cllr A. Hedworth, Allerdale Borough Council was not present at the meeting.

Cllr. J. Lister, Cumbria County Council was not present at the meeting.

Community Police Officer – PCSO P. Nichol had provided a report advising that no incidents had been reported in the parish since the last meeting. Members also noted that due to staffing issues the 10 weekly parish engagement meetings introduced last year had been put on hold until further notice.

63 ACCOUNTS AND FINANCIAL MATTERS

(a) Statement of Accounts

The Parish Council's financial position was provided for Members information.

Balances as at 31st December 2018

Treasurers a/c	£939.51
Business a/c	£710.00

(b) Payment of accounts: The following accounts were approved for payment:

Wheyrigg Hall Hotel – Room Hire	£ 15.00
Clerk's account Quarter 3	£228.05
HMRC PAYE Quarter 3	£ 46.00

64 PLANNING MATTERS

(a) Applications received: None

(b) Decisions: None

65 ROADS AND HIGHWAY MATTERS

The Chairman reported that he had met with a representative from Cumbria Highways and carried out an inspection to go through the various issues raised. The representative from Highways had advised that funding was not available to implement passing places on the road from Dundraw to the Moor Row junction.

The following matters were reported at the meeting.

The drains in Dundraw and the culvert at Moor Row need cleaning out;
The road surface needs repaired at the bottom of the hill at Waverbridge
The white lines need re-painting at several junctions
The road surface is break away at the edge of the road at Watergates Lane

In relation to the damaged water pipe at the corner of Dundraw/Waverbridge road United Utilities had visited the area and had advised it is not their responsibility. The Clerk was requested to contact United Utilities to advise them that this matter has been reported on several occasions but has still not been resolved. Highways would also be contacted for an update regarding the advice received from Highways in July 2018 that a camera would be used to inspect the system.

66 CORRESPONDENCE

The correspondence received since the last meeting was circulated and discussed at the meeting.

Clerk's & Councils Direct January 2019

CALC – Cumbria Strategic Flood Partnership request for contacts for local flood groups

CALC – Minutes from Annual Meeting of the Allerdale district of Cumbria Association of Local Councils

Allerdale Borough Council Budget 2019/20 and Priorities Consultation

Cumbria Police and Crime Commissioner – Council Tax Consultation

Wigton Baths Newsletter

CALC – Tree Liabilities

CALC Newsletter November

CALC Newsletter December/January

Allerdale Borough Council – Election Briefings for Parishes

67 THOMASON NELSON CHARITY

RESOLVED that Cllr Julie Dockeray be appointed to represent the Parish as Trustee for the Thomason Nelson Charity.

68 TRANSFER OF FOOTWAY LIGHTING TO TOWN/PARISH COUNCILS

Members noted the contents of the letter from the Borough Council regarding the proposed transfer of footway lighting to Town and Parish Councils. The work to establish ownership and numbers of lights owned by ABC and CCC in each town or parish should be completed by June 2019. The Borough Council’s proposal will be to ask the parish council to pick up the energy cost of the lights from April 2020 and maintenance from April 2021.

CALC had advised that Parish Councils cannot be forced to take on the lighting. It is unclear at the moment what the position will be if the parish council is unwilling to take over the responsibility for the lights. It was suggested that the Borough Council should be notified that the Parish Council is not prepared to take on the responsibility of the footway lights in the Parish.

69 PARISH PLAN

No additional items were added to the Plan.

70 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Monday 18th March, 2019

The meeting closed at 8.55 p.m.

Signed..... Date.....