

DUNDRAW PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at Wheyrigg Hall Hotel on Monday 16th March 2020 at 7.30 p.m.

Present:

J. Bennett (Chair)

G. Franks

C. Storey

Also Present:

J. Rae (Clerk)

68 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr A. Austin and M. Johnson, Allerdale Borough Councillor.

69 MINUTES 20 JANUARY 2020

The minutes of the meeting held on 20th January, 2020 were approved as a true record and were signed by the Chairman.

70 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None received.

71 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MEETING ON 20 JANUARY 2020

Mud on the Highway - A 'Farming and the Highway' leaflet had been distributed to all local farmers

Wheyrigg Signs - The village signs for Wheyrigg had still not been erected.

72 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The following matters were raised:

A parishioner had requested an update in relation to the footway lighting in the parish and the parish council's suggestion that passing places or a one-way system be implemented on the Dundraw to Waverbridge road.

73 REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES

Allerdale Borough Councillor – Apologies had been received from Cllr Johnson.

Cumbria County Councillor – Cllr Lister was not present.

Community Police Officer – The Police Newsletter for the Maryport, Aspatria, Silloth areas was circulated at the meeting

74 ACCOUNTS AND FINANCIAL MATTERS

(a) Statement of Accounts

The Parish Council's financial position was provided for Members information.
Balances as at 29th February 2020

Treasurers a/c	£ 493.21
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 4	£275.43
HMRC PAYE Quarter 4	£ 47.00

(c) Appointment of Internal Auditor

RESOLVED that L. Hayton be appointed to carry out the internal audit of the parish council accounts for financial year 2019/20.

75 PLANNING MATTERS

- (a) Applications received: None
- (b) Decisions: None

76 ROADS AND HIGHWAY MATTERS

The following matters were discussed:

The Highways Network Manager had advised that with regard to the parish council's request for passing places or implementing a one-way system on the U2052 between its junction with the B5302 and U2053 that there are currently no plans to install passing places or implement a one-way system. This will be raised at the next Highways Working Group. The Clerk was requested to contact Cllr Lister for an update.

The Clerk was requested report the following matters to Highways

- Moor Row – The road surface is breaking up
- Drains blocked on the B5302 on the eastbound side and also from Dian House towards West House
- The road surface is breaking away from the road on Watergates Lane

77 FOOTWAY LIGHTING

The Borough Council had provided details of the approximate energy costs for footway lighting in the Parish. With 3 lights in Dundraw and 1 at Waverbridge the approximate energy cost per annum will be £82.45. The Borough Council had agreed to maintain, repair and own the lights with just the electrical costs being transferred to the parish council with effect from April 2021. Members noted that CALC's Executive Committee had met on 11th March. It had been agreed at that meeting to seek a legal opinion on whether the Borough Council can legally enforce the transfer of the responsibility for the footway lights onto parishes, whether the Borough Council could unilaterally pass the cost to parishes without their agreement and whether there is a legal requirement to provide footway lighting, and would there be a legal liability in the case of a footpath accident occurring at a previously well lit area if a footway light was removed.

78 CORRESPONDENCE

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

- Clerks and Councils Direct
- Cumbria County Council – Review of North Allerdale Traffic Regulation Order
- Cumbria Police – Maryport, Aspatria and Wigton Newsletter
- CALC Newsletter February/March 2020
- Cumbria County Council – Working Together Service

79 PARISH PLAN

No additional items were added to the plan.

80 DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

The meeting dates for the next council year were agreed as follows:

- Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Meeting Monday 18th May, 2020
- Bi-Monthly Meetings 20th July, 21st September, 16th November 2020
- 18th January, 15th March, 2021

The meeting closed at 8.10 pm

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