

MILLOM WITHOUT PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING AT THE HILL VILLAGE HALL, ON 8 APRIL 2024 COMMENCING AT 07.30PM

PRESENT: Cllr D Savage, (Chair), Cllr A Nugent, Cllr V Pogrel, Cllr I Lockwood, , Cllr B Wright, Cllr A Calsy Cllr M Bates, Cllr P Murray, Cllr C Carrington and Cllr M Kitchingman
Lesley Cooper Clerk
1 member of the public

148/23 Apologies: None

149/23 Exclusion of Press and Public
None

150/23 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
None

151/23 MINUTES of the Parish Council Meeting held on 4 March 2024
The minutes of the meeting were approved and signed by the Chair
Proposed Cllr Calsy, Seconded Cllr Lockwood

152/23 Police Liaison Report
Circulated

153/23 Progress Report

153/23.1 Clerks Report

The Clerk read out the response to the meeting from the owner of Dunningwell Hall.
Response to letter to include:

- PC did not call the meeting; this was initiated by an agent of the owner.
- Owner needs to set own agenda and invite PC and members of the community.
- All objections to the planning application are on the planning portal and not “gossip”. The agent was fully aware of the complaints/comments and should have made the developer aware of these.
- In light of correspondence received, the PC see no value in progressing the meeting

154/23 Cllr Carrington requested a motion to the Chair that Agenda item 9.4 Freedom of Information Request – Dunningwell Hall be brought forward as it was relevant to the discussion. The Chair agreed the motion.

155/23 Discussion took place around the information supplied by Cumberland Council. It was noted that there was a failure in supplying a copy of the original planning application, which was also not available on the planning portal, which is a breach of legal process. It was noted that the planning authority had raised issues raised by the PC and the community with the Agent.

Proposed by Cllr Carrington and Seconded by Cllr Murray that the Parish Council does not attend any proposed meeting with the owner/developer of Dunningwell Hall. Carried 9 for, 1 abstention.

156/23 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The member of the public expressed disgust with the tone of the letter sent to the Parish Council and found it derogatory to the residents adjacent to the development. It was observed that works were still being undertaken by the developer. Residents would not be attending any meeting with the developer.

The Chair thanked the member of public for their attendance and comments.

157/23 Unitary Councillor Report

No report

158/23 APPLICATIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT:

158/23.1 To examine applications for development and submit observations to the Planning Authority

4/24/2079/0F1 Underwood The Hill
New triple garage and detached stable
Supported in principle.

158/23.2 To ratify the observations submitted by the Clerk under devolved powers since last meeting.

None.

158/23.3 To note the decisions of the statutory planning authority with regards to recent applications

None

159/23 FINANCIAL RECORDS

159/23.1 The following payments were approved:

CALC	Membership renewal	£ 245.98
G Fox	replacement for chq no 180 destroyed	£ 135.00

Approved for payment

159/23.2 To note the receipt of payments.

None

159/23.3 To receive and note the bank reconciliation statement dated

Not received

159/23.4 To consider the Budget Comparison Report as at 31 March 2024 and determine action need to address deviations from the budget.

The Clerk reported that there had been an underspend on the year of £1207.

159/23.5 To approve the Asset Register for 2024

Approved,

159/23.6 To approve the Risk Assessment/Risk Register for 2024

160/23 PARISH MATTERS

160/23.1 Community Plan

a) Parish Seats

Cllr Kitchingman to use the current Asset Register to produce an asset inspection checklist and report back to the May meeting.

b) ENW electricity resilience

Technical experts to be invited to talk to the council. Cllr Savage pursuing

160/23.2 Parish Projects

a) Active Transport

Cllr Calsy reported that there is a meeting with Trudy Harrison MP on Friday 19 April to set up a task force to promote Active Transport routes.

160/23.3 Policies, Procedures and Consultations

a) Email addresses and future of website – Quotations to be obtained for a new website

b) Emergency Plan review –Completed

c) CVS Volunteer Event 25 April 2024. Cllr Savage to circulate details

160/23.4 Sub Group Reports

a) Environment Group

No report

160/23.5 Community Event 15 April 2024 7pm Thwaites Village Hall

Representatives from solar lights, Heritage Trail, Sustainable Travel, Playpark development, Info hub, local businesses and organisations invited to attend. Parish Councillors encouraged to attend the event as outcomes will help form the basis for the new community plan.

161/23 To reports from representatives on outside bodies

a) South Copeland Community Partnership – GDF

Cllr Carrington reported that there will be a desk top study of the Community Impact Study. Delay in construction of new website. Awaiting NWS approval.

b) Meeting Lowther Estates

Cllr Bates reported that he met with the new Lowther Estates Manager. Discussions took place re Park Wood and positive about the issues raised. Looking to replace spruce with a sustainable woodland.

162/23 Correspondence

The following correspondence had been received that has not been previously circulated:

- Email received from a member of the public re invasive bamboo impacting on their septic tank. Clerk to contact appropriate contractor.

163/23 COUNCILLOR MATTERS

- Cllr Wright reported that in a Broughton in Furness publication that there were comments regarding proposed improvements to Duddon Bridge
- Cllr Bates raised the issue that he is not included in councillors on the PC website. Cllr Savage stated the website is under review and this will part of the new updates that need to be included.
- Cllr Bates reported that he had received a telephone call from a member of the public re a planning application. He advised them to contact the PC via email.
- Cllr Kitchingman stated that there had been a lot of negative press re the recent road closures. Cllr Savage raised concerns that the PC had not been included in the consultation re A595 works and the levelling up monies.

164//23 DATE OF NEXT MEETING 13 May 2024 Thwaites Village Hall, The Green commencing at 7.30pm

There being no other business the Meeting closed at 2130hrs

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