

STANTON PARISH COUNCIL

Unconfirmed Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 23rd September 2019

at 7.30pm in St Thomas' Church, Crosscrake

Present: Chair Julie Knowles; Cllrs. Geoff Wilson, Ian Valentine and Hilary Waterhouse; District Cllrs. Roger Bingham and Brian Cooper; the Clerk and 1 member of the public.

40.19 APOLOGIES were received from Cllr. John Stott (reasons noted).

41.19 MINUTES: Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 22nd July 2019 be confirmed as a true record and be signed by the Chair.

42.19 REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION: None.

43.19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

44.19 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: No issues were raised.

45.19 REPORTS:

- a) Neighbourhood Policing Team: The Clerk read out a written report (copy of the full report held by the Clerk). There had been no incidents specific to the parish.
- b) District Councillors: District Cllrs. Bingham and Cooper commented on some items including affordable housing quotas not yet being met; the health record in Cumbria; and the planning department having lost money.
- c) County Councillor: There was no report.

46.19 UPPER KENT LAP: The minutes of the meeting held on 21st August 2019 were discussed and it was **resolved** to withdraw from the LAP.

47.19 HIGHWAYS & FOOTPATHS:

- a) The Clerk reported that the replacement western post/sign as the footpath crosses the road from Crosscrake Farm to Sellet Hall was still awaited.
- b) The Clerk reported that the Highways Dept of Cumbria County Council had emailed to say that the repair work to the becksides walls was now not able to be done during this summer's in-water window as they had given priority to the failed section of the wall near to Mill Cottage to the north of Stainton. To undertake this work the road would be closed from 24th September 2019 for three weeks. They stated that they "appreciate that the becksides walls works do need to be done" and that they are "currently looking at doing a much more in depth survey of the walls in Stainton over the winter and are planning the other works to be done in the Summer 2020 package". The Clerk had expressed the Council's dismay that another year is to pass without the County Council attending to this long outstanding and extremely urgent work.
- c) It was agreed to make a concerted effort next year to stop Himalayan Balsam spreading along parts of the beck with the Clerk to put it on the agenda for March 2020.

48.19 TREES:

- a) Cllr. Valentine that the survey he was to carry out with his son-in-law on Underhelm Wood would be completed shortly. He believed that there would be some work to be done.
- b) Cllr. Valentine reported that he is to ask SLDC to change the location of the trees reserved under the parish tree planting scheme and replace ones that had died.

49.19 COMMON LAND: The Clerk reported that he had not yet heard from the Council's solicitor with regard to the letter that had been written to the landowner's solicitors.

50.19 PLANNING:

It was noted that the following planning applications had been notified as **approved** by SLDC since the last meeting:

SL/2019/0030 The Barn opposite High House Farm, Millbridge Lane, Stainton

Conversion of barn to dwelling

SL/2019/0401 Sellet Estate Stables & Stud, Stainton

Variation/removal of condition 1 (temporary time period) attached to application SL/2018/0379 (temporary living accommodation for the duration of the construction phase of works)

SL/2019/0441 Land adjacent to The Beehive, Old Hutton, Kendal

Use of agricultural land as domestic curtilage

SL/2019/0574 Stainton Institute, Stainton

New interior and exterior lighting

It was noted that additional information with regard to the following planning application had been submitted to SLDC and circulated to the members of the Council since the last meeting with a consultation deadline before this meeting:

SL/2019/0397 Land east of A65 and north of Sepulchre Lane, Summerlands, Endmoor

Installation of natural burial ground for up to 4,000 urn burial plots, access, car parking and office/maintenance storage building with associated infrastructure and facilities (revised scheme SL/2019/0145).

Resolved that the Council had no objection to the following planning application which had been submitted to SLDC and circulated to the members of the Council since the last meeting:

SL/2019/0748 The Barn, Millbridge Lane, Stainton

Discharge of conditions 3,4,5 and 11 attached to planning permission SL/2019/0030

The Council asked the Clerk to express their **concern** about the surface water management and the disposal of sewage into the beck.

51.19 FINANCE:

- a) **The following receipts were noted:**
SLDC – LIP grant re B4RS £10,000.00
- b) **The following payments were approved:**
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| B4RN – Payment re B4RS | £10,000.00 |
| St Thomas’ Church - Hire and associated costs of meeting | £20.00 |
| M R Richardson - Clerk’s August & September salary £557.55 less PAYE £111.40 plus expenses £25.75 (broadband/telephone/postage) and motor expenses £20.70 (46 miles @45p) | £492.60 |
| HMRC - PAYE re M R Richardson | £111.40 |
| A2A Advertising Ltd – Annual web hosting fee & domain name registration (2 years) | £108.00 |
- c) The payment of the Data Protection registration fee of 35 by direct debit was noted.
- d) The amendments to the Financial Regulations proposed by NALC (forwarded by CALC on 2/8/19) were **approved**.
- e) The Clerk informed the Parish Council as necessary under his contract of employment that he had been appointed Parish Clerk to Milnthorpe Parish Council.
- f) The Clerk reported that the reconciled bank balance at 31st August 2019 before making the above payments was £8,779.06. The Chair was authorised to counter-sign the bank statement.

52.19 CONSULTATION & FUNDING REQUESTS: None

53.19 MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

a) **B4RS:** The Clerk referred to the above receipt and payment of the first £10,000 from the SLDC Locally Important Projects Fund. Cllr. Wilson reported that good progress was being made on the project.

b) **Stainton Aqueduct:** The Chair and Cllr. Wilson had attended the unveiling of the Transport Trust Red Wheel at Hincaster Tunnel and had viewed progress of the canal restoration and aqueduct repairs (per 54.19 xiv below) and reported that it was a very good event. Cllr. Wilson also reported that it was now expected that it would be November before the contractors were off site but that everything was looking good.

54.19 CORRESPONDENCE:

The following correspondence received and not included as an item on this agenda was noted:

- i. SLDC – Community governance review & final recommendations (emailed to Cllrs. 22/7/19)
- ii. CALC – July / August 2019 newsletter (emailed to Cllrs. 22/7/19)
- iii. CALC – Election of 5 candidates to the CALC executive committee (emailed to Cllrs. 24/7/19)
- iv. CALC – Paperwork for next District Association meeting on 19/9/19 (emailed to Cllrs. 24/7/19)
- v. CALC – Cumbria County Council Working Together update (emailed to Cllrs. 30/7/19)
- vi. CALC – North West Coastal Access July 2019 update (emailed to Cllrs. 31/7/19)
- vii. CALC – Joint Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner and Cumbria Constabulary consultation survey (emailed to Cllrs. 5/8/19)
- viii. CALC – Developing your skills training programme Sept to Dec 2019 (emailed to Cllrs. 5/8/19)
- ix. Keep Britain Tidy – Join our campaign for a cup charge (emailed to Cllrs. 5/8/19)
- x. Canal & River Trust – Minutes of the Towpath Trail steering group meeting on 17/7/19 (emailed to Cllrs. 9/8/19)
- xi. CALC – Request for volunteers for the Local Council Award Scheme review team (emailed to Cllrs. 15/8/19)
- xii. SLDC – Invitation to attend “Becoming an Effective Member / Code of Conduct briefing on 18/9/19 (emailed to Cllrs. 19/8/19)
- xiii. CALC – Training & login details (emailed to Cllrs. 19/8/19)
- xiv. Canal & River Trust – Invitation to unveiling of Transport Trust Red Wheel at Hincaster Tunnel and to view progress of canal restoration and aqueduct repairs (emailed to Cllrs.22/8/19)
- xv. Bay Health and Care Partners – inviting views on their five-year strategy 2020-25 (emailed to Cllrs.22/8/19)
- xvi. CALC – September 2019 newsletter (emailed to Cllrs.17/9/19)
- xvii. CALC – Remaining paperwork for next District Association meeting on 19/9/19 (emailed to Cllrs.17/9/19)
- xviii. Cumbria Action for Sustainability – Cumbria climate change emergency action summit on 21/9/19 (emailed to Cllrs.17/9/19)
- xix. SLDC – Notice of review of polling districts and polling policies (emailed to Cllrs. 17/9/19)

55.19 ANY OTHER BUSINESS: None.

56.19 COUNCILLORS’ ISSUES TO BE RAISED AT NEXT MEETING (No discussions must take place on these matters but will be placed on the next Agenda): None.

57.19 DATE OF NEXT MEETING: The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday 25th November 2019 in St. Thomas' Church, Crosscrake at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 9.30pm.