

## STANTON PARISH COUNCIL

### Unconfirmed Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 28th September 2020

#### at 7.30pm in St Thomas' Church, Crosscrake

The Parish Council warmly thanks the Vicar and the churchwardens of St Thomas' Church for their understanding and time in considering and approving the request to hold this meeting, which followed Covid-19 Government Guidance with regard to multi use community centres including the need for social distancing and the wearing of masks

**Present:** Chair Julie Knowles; Vice Chair John Stott; Cllrs. Geoff Wilson and Hilary Waterhouse; District Cllrs. Roger Bingham and Brian Cooper (both until 8.00pm); the Clerk and one member of the public

**24.20 APOLOGIES** were received from Cllr. Ian Valentine (reasons noted) and District Cllr. Tom Harvey

**25.20 MINUTES: Resolved** that the minutes of the meeting held on 27th July 2020 be confirmed as a true record and be signed by the Chair

**26.20 REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION:** None

**27.20 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** Cllr. Waterhouse declared an interest with regard to the planning items in 31.20 concerning Sellet Estate and Willowsway Country Estate

**28.20 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** No issues were raised

#### **29.20 REPORTS:**

a) District Councillors: District Cllrs. Bingham and Cooper reported that coronavirus continued to disrupt council business; covid-19 cases in Cumbria had more than doubled in the last week and care home worries continued; government grants had eased related financial problems but the cost was still very high; homeless (not rough sleepers) numbers had increased; but gradually council services were returning to normal and schools, libraries and Kendal swimming pool had all re-opened. They also reported with regard to the disruption caused by the M6 (Junction 36) road works

b) County Councillor: There was no report

#### **30.20 HIGHWAYS & FOOTPATHS:**

a) The Chair reported that she and the Vice-Chair had attended to the problem with regard to a canal footpath

b) The Clerk reported that the repairs to the road next to the failed section of the river wall near to Mill Cottage to the north of Stainton, to the beckside walls and to the ford all continued to be delayed due to Covid-19 staffing restrictions

c) An email from a former parishioner which was mainly with regard to the overgrown shrubbery near the Pack Horse Bridge was discussed and it was agreed to ask for volunteers to cut down the shrubbery. The Clerk was asked to obtain quotes for hiring a chipper

d) Several potholes were reported

#### **31.20 PLANNING:**

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

##### **SL/2020/0346 Sellet Estate, Stainton**

Enlargement of existing pond (resubmission of SL/2019/0600)

It was noted that the following planning application had been **refused** since the last meeting:

##### **SL/2020/0245 Paddocks, Willowsway Country Estate, Stainton**

Single storey rear extension

It was noted that the following planning application had been **withdrawn** since the last meeting:

##### **SL/2020/0348 & 0349 The Barn at Sellet Estate, Stainton**

Re-configuration, extension and alterations to two existing dwellings and two further partially completed dwelling units within previously approved barn conversion, change of use of land to provide garden curtilage and parking with erection of two detached garage blocks and associated external works (re-submission of planning permission SL/2019/0579)

It was noted that the following planning applications had been submitted to SLDC and circulated to the members of the Council since the last meeting:

##### **SL/2020/0627 Helm Mount Farm, Barrows Green**

Change of use of storage building to wheelchair accessible holiday let (see SL/2015/1054 and SL/2013/0739)

##### **SL/2020/0673 Willowsway Lodge, Willowsway Country Estate, 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)

**The Council had no objection to either application**

#### **32.20 FINANCE:**

##### **a) The following payments were approved:**

St Thomas' Church – Hire and associated costs of meeting	£20.00
M R Richardson - Clerk's August & September Salary £519.20 plus arrears £30.60 = £549.80	
less PAYE £110.00 plus expenses £22.17 (broadband/telephone/postage) and motor expenses £28.80 (64 miles @ 45p)	£490.77

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| HMRC – PAYE re M R Richardson                            | £110.00 |
| A2A Advertising Ltd – Web hosting and website amendments | £186.00 |
- b) The annual payment of the Data Protection registration fee of £35 by direct debit was noted
- c) The Clerk reported that the reconciled bank balance at 31<sup>st</sup> August 2020 before making the payments in a) was £9,329.58. The Chair was authorised to counter-sign the bank statement

**33.20 CONSULTATION & FUNDING REQUESTS:** None.

**34.20 MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS:**

a) **B4RS:** Nothing more to report

b) **Stainton Aqueduct:** Cllr. Wilson reported that the canal footpath was expected to be completed by the end of November 2020

d) **BT payphone:** The Clerk reported that a quote was still awaited with regard to reinstatement of the power supply before the kiosk could be purchased for £1 and the local first responders supply and fit a defibrillator

**35.20 CORRESPONDENCE:**

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

- i. Further items from SLDC, CALC and South Lakes Police relating to coronavirus (Covid-19) matters
- ii. SLDC – Partnership extended to support carbon neutrality aims (emailed to Cllrs. 6/8/20)
- iii. SLDC – Climate change community fund launched (emailed to Cllrs. 7/8/20)
- iv. Canal & River Trust – Towpath Trail project virtual steering group 26/8/20 (emailed to Cllrs. 7/8/20)
- v. Lancaster Canal Trust – Heritage open days in September 2020 (emailed to Cllrs. 28/8/20)
- vi. CALC – Planning for the Future consultation planned by NALC (emailed to Cllrs. 28/8/20)
- vii. CALC – Local government reorganisation in Cumbria (emailed to Cllrs. 28/8/20)
- viii. Cumbria’s Police & Crime Commissioner – Satisfaction survey (emailed to Cllrs. 28/8/20)
- ix. CCC – Temporary road closure – U5630 Oxenholme – from 14/9/20 (emailed to Cllrs. 28/8/20)
- x. SLDC – South Lakeland Local Plan review (emailed to Cllrs.28/8/20)
- xi. CALC – Developing your skills programme Sept-Dec 2020 (emailed to Cllrs.1/9/20)
- xii. SLDC – Specialist to drive cultural investment (emailed to Cllrs. 1/9/20)
- xiii. Canal & River Trust – Towpath Trail steering group minutes 26/8/20 (emailed to Cllrs.3/9/20)
- xiv. CALC – CCC agrees proposal for local government reform (emailed to Cllrs.8/9/20)
- xv. SLDC – One bin appeal on resumption of fortnightly green bin collections (emailed to Cllrs.8/9/20)
- xvi. CALC – Reminder of South Lakeland District Association meeting on 17/9/20 (emailed to Cllrs.8/9/20)
- xvii. CALC – Planning White Paper summaries, links and responses (emailed to Cllrs.15/9/20)
- xviii. CALC – Agenda for AGM on 26/9/20; 2019 minutes; and 2019/20 annual review (emailed to Cllrs.15/9/20)
- xix. CALC – Newsletter for September/October 2020 (emailed to Cllrs.15/9/20)
- xx. SLDC – 20mph speed limit plan for town centres (emailed to Cllrs.18/9/20)
- xxi. SLDC – Kendal College press release re two electric vehicle chargepoints (emailed to Cllrs.18/9/20)
- xxii. SLDC – Town and Parish Council briefing - Locality Working/Customer Services (emailed to Cllrs.18/9/20)
- xxiii. CALC – Climate change action plan and supporting documents (emailed to Cllrs.21/9/20)
- xxiv. SLDC – Barrow, Lancaster & South Lakeland councils to consider case for new unitary authority (emailed to Cllrs.23/9/20)
- xxv. SLDC – Launch of NHS Test & Trace app (incl links) on 24/9/20 (emailed to Cllrs.24/9/20)
- xxvi. CALC – Training courses and externally delivered finance courses (emailed to Cllrs.28/9/20)
- xxvii. CALC – Climate change presentation to South Lakeland District Association on 17/9/20 (emailed to Cllrs.28/9/20)
- xxviii. CALC – Local Plan review update presentation to South Lakeland District Association on 17/9/20 (emailed to Cllrs.28/9/20)

**36.20 ANY OTHER BUSINESS:** None

**37.20 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

**38.20 DATE OF NEXT MEETING:** The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2020 in St Thomas’ Church, Crosscrake at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 8.55pm.

