

HAVERTHWAITE & BACKBARROW PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 11th January 2016 **In St Anne's Church Hall, Haverthwaite**

The Meeting opened at 7.00pm

Present Cllrs J Woddy (Chair), D Fell, J Thompson, G Egglestone, S Sanderson (C/Cllr & D/Cllr), D Seal (new clerk)

Introduction

Cllr Woddy opened the meeting and introduced Derek Seal as new Parish Clerk.

1 Apologies

None

2 Declaration of Interest

None

3 Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 9th November 2015

The minutes had been circulated to the Council; they were approved and signed as a true record.

Actions:

Notice Boards: Cllr Woddy continues liaison with J Bamford regarding notice boards and indicated that these will need to be invoiced before the end of March.

Minutes from September 2015 – Councillor Sanderson provided an update on the proposed development at the Ironworks. She stated that a meeting was to take place on the 13th to which she and Councillor Egglestone would attend. She indicated that there were some concerns as part of the pre-planning application about asbestos on the site, but stated that this would be removed professionally.

Councillor Woddy requested that a letter be sent to the previous clerk to thank them for their time and contribution in the role.

Attendance by Councillors to meetings was also discussed and it was agreed that Councillor Woddy would encourage all councillors to attend.

No other ongoing issues reported.

4 Police Report

PCSO Harris unable to attend, so no formal report.

It was noted that Ulverston Police Station has now closed and moved to Barrow. The potential closure of Police services in Kendal and the likely impact on local services was also discussed

5 Website – progress and update

It was agreed that minutes on the website should be archived after 4 months

The website designer will create Google Alerts for news about Haverthwaite and Backbarrow

The website designer will create a Parish YouTube Channel

The Parish Plan has now been added to the website

Action – Councillors who have not provided Biogs should send them to the website designer

6 Town and Country Planning Act, 1990

There were no planning matters arising

7 Correspondence

The list of correspondence had been circulated and reviewed by all members.

The Clerk highlighted the main items, which were not covered elsewhere on the agenda, to the Council and brief discussions were held.

8 Finance

Details of the financial position were distributed.

It was agreed that the precept forms be completed by the Clerk

The clerk asked for DD instruction to ICO to be signed and cheques to be signed for payment of:

- £378.80 – A Cretney re wages

9 Local Area Partnership (LAP)

No further feedback

10 County Councillor and District Councillor Reports:

C/Cllr & D/Cllr Sanderson updated the group, the main issues being:

- Bins and Flood Waste
- Concerns from Mind on the longer term impact of the recent flooding
- Praise for District & Local Councillors in helping ensure flood victims are OK
- The Flood Relief bus which travels to local drop in centres not coming to Backbarrow.
- Council staff working 24hr shifts because of the impact of the recent floods

11 Highways

Councillor Woddy highlighted problems at Brow Edge with traffic flow.

Notifications received recently re a number of road closures, all of which have been advertised locally.

12 Parish Plan

No specific feedback from parishioners, although many were complimentary of the work that's been undertaken to date.

13 Audit Procurement Changes

Councillors agreed that they do not wish to be opted in to the National Scheme.

Councillor Woody proposed that the precept be kept the same as the previous year. This proposal was accepted.

14 Resilience Planning

Councillor Sanderson is to set-up a working group to develop a resilience plan.

Councillor Thompson enquired about the possibility of having a defibrillator machine outside the doctors or school and raised the topic of local first responders.

15 Public Participation

No members of the public present

Meeting then closed at 8:45pm. Next meeting scheduled to be held on 14th March 2016

Signed:

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Chairman

Date

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Clerk