Askham and Helton Parish Council

Meeting: Parish Council Meeting Date: Tuesday, 29 November 2022

Venue: Askham and District Community Centre

Present: Gary Calland (GC), John Banks (JB), Chris Whittaker (CW), Sophie Riches (SR)

Apologies: Laura Harker (LH), Malcolm Holt (MH), Mary Westgarth (MW)

In Attendance: Sandie Watson (Clerk/RFO), Neil Hughes (NH)

Members of Public: 0

Minutes

Item	Key Points/decisions	Action
140.1	LH illness, MW illness, MH holiday.	
Apologies	Resolved that the apologies be accepted and the reasons recorded.	
141.2	1. Register of Members Interests: Councillors are reminded of the need to	ALL
Declarations of	update their Register of Interests.	
Interest	2. Personal/Prejudicial Interests. None received.	
	3. Dispensation Requests. None received.	
142.3	Resolved that the minutes from the Parish Council Meeting on 27th	
Minutes	September 2022 were accepted as a true record and signed by the	
	Chairman.	
143.4	Bus Shelter : To be completed in the spring. MH to report back at the	MH
Outcomes of	next meeting.	
Actions of last	Traffic Calming – Eden Speed Review – The changes were approved at	SW
meeting	Eden Local Committee. The next stage of consultation is in progress and	
	changes should take place before April 2022, subject to approval. SW to	
	thank parishioner for their contribution towards the review.	
	Kendal Calling Traffic Congestion – CCC Traffic Management Team	SW
	have investigated the disruption and reported there had been several	
	issues which exacerbated traffic congestion. Accidents, rail strikes and	
	problems with parking management issues on site. The organisers are	
	looking into improvements for future years. SW to put on agenda for	
	March meeting and check for updates from CCC.	
144.5	No members of the public present.	
Public		
Participation/		
Open Session		
145.6	Cllr Hughes reported the repairs to the bridge have been completed.	NH
External	The HGV signs have not yet been erected. Some contractor's materials	
Meetings	have been left on site. NH will inform Highways.	

146.7 Little Langdale Common and Baysbrown Common Countryside Stewardship Scheme 147.8	The council reviewed the consultation and had no further comments to add. SW to reply. Following receipt of a report prior to the meeting regarding the verges in	SW
Grass Verges in Helton	Helton being left untidy post works by the electricity contractor. The Council has been updated, the contractors have since returned and tidied up the verges. No further action.	
148.9 Helton Village Common	The Clerk had received a complaint regarding dog fouling on Helton Village Common. GC investigated and reported that there were not any ongoing offences. The Council resolved to advise witnesses to report any incidents to EDC. GC confirmed the public waste bin had been removed from Helton following the Council receiving complaints of the smell. The Council was satisfied that adequate dog fouling signage was in place.	JB
149.10 Lake District Grand Tour	The Council reviewed the plans for the routes and had no objections. The tour is usually well organised. SW to reply and remind organisers to obtain the relevant permission from landowners and authorities.	SW
150.11 Civility and Respect Pledge	The Council resolved to agree to sign up to the pledge. SW to action.	SW
151.12 Grass Strimmer	CG reported MH has the quotes and will bring them to the next meeting. SW to put on January agenda.	MH SW
Planning Applications	T/2022/0158 Scar View, Askham, Penrith CA10 2PG Walnut tree crown reduction by up to 3m. The Council resolved to have no objection to this application. Decisions: 7/2022/3099 Sycamore House and Barn, Askham CA10 2PF Change of use of holiday let and attached barn (ancillary accommodation to Sycamore House) to provide a single dwelling. Resolved to support. GRANTED. 7/2022/3100 (Listed Building consent) Sycamore House and Barn, Askham CA10 2PF Change of use of holiday let and attached barn (ancillary accommodation to Sycamore House) to provide a single dwelling. Resolved to support. GRANTED. 7/2022/3110 Goose Garth, Helton CA10 2QA Cllr Westgarth declared an interest in this application and	SW

	7/2022/3111 Masonry arch bridge crossing river Lowther, Askham Proposed works to repair parapets which have suffered bridge strikes, comprising rebuilding of damaged lengths, reclaiming the	
	majority of masonry units (few stone replacements will be required). Resolved to support. LISTED BUILDING CONSENT GRANTED .	
	T/2022/0148 Fellgate Farm, Helton, Penrith CA10 2QA T1 Aspen – fell, T2 Aspen – fell, T3 Beech – maintenance, T4 Ash – maintenance, T5 Larch – maintenance. Resolved to support. GRANTED.	
	T/2022/0127 Holly Cottage, Helton, Penrith CA10 2QA Crown prune 1 large holly tree (1). Fell 1 Portuguese laurel (2). Resolved, ratified no objection. NO OBJECTION.	
	Pending Decision from LDNPA: T/2022/0095 Town End, Helton, Penrith CA10 2QA Fell 2 ornamental cypress and 2 ornamental cherry. Ratified, no objection. NO OBJECTION.	
	Notifications: WITHDRAWN 7/2022/3115 Land South of Holywell House, Helton, Penrith CA10 2QA Agricultural storage building.	
	This is a Notice of Intention. The Council noted the information and resolved to comment on this notice. The Council objects to the intention due to the effect on a nearby listed building. Size, layout and density of building design, visual appearance and finishing materials. Loss of outlook to the detriment of residential amenity.	
153.14 Fell Runner Donation	Following discussion, the Council resolved to support the request for £130.00. SW to reply and send payment.	SW
154.15 The Greening Campaign	The Council resolved to not proceed with this project as there was already a tree planting project in progress with Lowther Estate. GC to investigate progress and report back.	GC
155.16 Financial Report	Resolved: The Clerk circulated the budget and bank reconciliation. Closing balance on 30 October 2022 is £7,183.37. The Council reviewed and accepted the transactions and budget 2022/23 updates.	
156.17 Payments of Account	Resolved. The Council approved for payment: Clerk's wages/expenses £562.96, HP Inks £6.66, CPSL £28.80, Lowther Forestry £2383.20, A&D Community Centre £20, Newsletter £40, Fell Runner £130.00.	
157.18 Budget 2023/24	The Clerk circulated the draft budget to the council prior to the meeting. Following discussion, the Council approved the draft budget to be	SW

	confirmed at the meeting in January. SW to add to the agenda in	
	January.	
158.19	LGR updates and CALC newsletters circulated. Ongoing.	SW
Correspondence	Cumbria CVS Response to poverty in Cumbria. Acknowledged.	
_	Green Space to Grow – resolved not to proceed due to lack of available	
	green space.	
	Disabled Facilities grant – acknowledged.	
	Westmorland and Furness Engagement Questionnaire completed and	
	returned.	
	Warm Spots – this has been set up at the Community Centre. Further	
	enquiries to JB.	
	Boundary Commission 2023 Review – no comments to add.	
	Whitbysteads - Hedge overgrown bottom of land on roadside. SW to	SW
	report to Lowther Estates.	
159.20	Parish Council Meetings:	SW
Items for agenda	Tuesday, 31st January 2023 7.10pm	
and dates of next	Budget 2023/24 and Precept 2023/24	
meetings	Tuesday, 28th March 2023 7.10pm	
	Thursday, 11 th May 2023 7.00pm	
	Tuesday, 25 th July 2023 7.00pm	
	Tuesday, 26 th September 2023 7.00pm	
	Tuesday, 28th November 2023 7.00pm	
	All meetings held at 7.10pm at Askham and District Community Centre.	
160.21	Meeting Part II	SW
Contractual	Clerk pay scales. Resolved to amend. SW to action.	
Discussions		

Meeting closed 20.32pm