

Minutes of a meeting of Burneside Parish Council held by ZOOM on Tuesday 2nd March 2021 at 7pm.

**\*FULL MINUTES IN NOTICEBOARDS and [www.burneside-pc.org.uk](http://www.burneside-pc.org.uk)\***

*Present were Councillors Pennie Ridyard (Chairman), Phil Alder, Tonia Armer, Julie Huck, Will Huck, Judith Notley, Paul Senior, and Keith Tondeur, Linda Fisher (SLDC Monitoring Officer), County Councillor Stan Collins, District Councillor Pat Bell, three members of the public and Parish Clerk Kevin Price. Apologies for absence were noted from Councillor Derrick Wade (leave of absence).*

**Council Vacancies:** *The Clerk reported that Brian Smith has resigned from the Council; Councillor Ridyard has sent Brian a card and conveyed the good wishes of the Council to him.*

**Updates:** *Bench at Steeles Row. Councillor Will Huck has completed the grant application form and sent it to Gill Holmes at CCC.*

*New bin. Councillor Will Huck thanked Councillor Bell for helping with this as part of the dog fouling issue; the site assessment has been undertaken by SLDC, and, all being well, the bin should be in place on the Hall Road path soon.*

*Tree planting. An article had been written for the CALC Annual Report on the Parish Council's tree planting project. This came about from the poster that Councillor Will Huck initially made for the notice boards.*

*Dog fouling. Thanks to Councillor Bell, a photograph and article had appeared in the 'Westmorland Gazette'. Locality have also been visiting the village and installing signs and chalk stencils on the pavements.*

*Councillor Alder asked if, following receipt of an email via the Clerk today, an agenda item at the next meeting could be 'Public Space Protection Orders'. This was agreed.*

*It was reported that the Resident's Association are also working on the dog fouling problem, in conjunction with the mothers in the village. They are concentrating on educating the public about the problem and have also enlisted the help of the PCSO.*

*Allotments. Councillor Notley continues looking for possible sites but needs agreement from the land owner. Sites further outside the village were discussed.*

*Community fridge. Councillor Notley had considered various sites for this but none seemed suitable. She wondered if the railway station might be a suitable location.*

*Siting of BT poles at Hall Park. Councillor Bell and Councillor Notley are awaiting a response from BT on the matter.*

*Planting of bulbs and trees in the parish. This might be a project for the school but not until pupils return and the Covid situation improves.*

**Finance:** *Possible funding for the play area was discussed and a quotation for the replacement of the flooring had been forwarded by the Anglers Trust, which manages the area. In the light of a report from SLDC (sent in error to the Council) which highlighted a number of areas of concern, it was resolved to contact Hannah Hill again and ask, if the light of possible substantial work/upgrade being required, if the Anglers Trust would welcome some Council involvement in future, and if a meeting with the Trust could be arranged, to be attended by two or three Councillors.*

**Reports:** *Councillor Collins reported as follows:*

*The CCC and SLDC Elections, planned for 6th May 2021, have been cancelled and will not now take place until 2022 or possibly 2023.*

*Cycling/wellbeing initiatives have been attended by Councillors from various parishes.*

*SLDC has a £200,000 'environmental fund' for improvements to footways.*

*The CCC Budget for 2021-22 includes a 3.99% increase, 2% being for adult social care.*

*Councillor Bell reported as follows:*

*Most of SLDC staff are still working from home.*

*The collection of 'green waste' bins will re-start later this week.*

*A government grant to support businesses is being distributed by SLDC.*

*SLDC is one of the few Authorities in the country that operates the Council Tax Reduction Scheme.*

**Footpaths:** *Councillor Will Huck reported on the extensive survey Stewart Menzies had carried out on the parish footpaths. This had all been passed on and is now on the Council's website. It was resolved to convey the Council's thanks to him for this work. Councillor Will Huck will 'screen share' some of the details at the next meeting.*

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## Burneside Church & Community NEWSLETTER April 2021

### *The Vicar writes:*

What do you do when a personal crisis strikes in your life – when everything seems uncertain and you are in a state of confusion? It happens to all of us at one time or another.

Certainly the disciples would have been feeling those things plus many others after the death of Jesus. And then even more uncertainty and confusion when the women came back from the empty tomb on that first Easter day to tell the grieving disciples that they had met with the risen Jesus.

The disciples would have been shattered by the arrest and crucifixion and are now in a daze of bewilderment about Jesus' appearance. They wanted to get back to something they know. Many were Fishermen by trade and what better than to go fishing? They may have been wrong about many things during their time with Jesus, but fishing is something they definitely do know, so they go back to doing what they did before.

How wrong could they be? We read that they worked all night and caught nothing, So much for being experts and getting back to what they knew!

I guess they were feeling pretty low, first confusion about the crucifixion and the resurrection sightings. And then early in the morning Jesus stood on the shore ( although at this point they didn't realise it was Him). Like all spectators of fishermen he asked if they had caught anything. When they told him they'd been unsuccessful Jesus told them to cast the net on the other side of the boat. – It would not have been a surprise if they had ignored this stranger on the beach – they were the experts and they had caught nothing further out in the deep water. Yet they were willing to try again in the shallows. You probably know the story, the nets were so full that they could hardly pull them up!

I guess that when we are confused, bemused, upset or uncertain it is easy to retreat to those things with which we are familiar and comfortable whether work, a hobby or church.

What seems to be safe and understandable might not be the right thing to do and possibly won't help us out of the situation. The key to this Bible story, is that they did what Jesus told them, even though they thought that they knew better, and were experts in that particular task. Just like those disciples we need to be prepared to listen to Jesus when we are facing confusion, uncertainty and anxiety, because our solutions may not be the right ones to help us climb out of the situation we are in. Sometimes we just have to pause and stop ourselves from simply going back to what we did before.

It is all too easy just to retreat to the familiar when we are worried and scared, but that may not be the right way to deal with things, just as those first disciples found out. All the things of this world, no matter how familiar, are temporary and uncertain. Christ alone is secure and unchanging!

With very best wishes

Tricia



For any church matters please contact Tricia, the Priest in Charge, at the Vicarage on 01539 722015



**CHURCH SERVICES** St.Oswald's church will be open again for services as followed:

PALM SUNDAY 28th March Holy Communion 11am

MAUNDY THURSDAY 1st April Holy Communion 6.30pm

EASTER SUNDAY 4th April Holy Communion 11am

**Please note: 11am is the new time for services on Sundays from April**

NB the public toilet in the church side corridor is open every day from 9am-4pm and the PO open as usual .

The main church is only open for services at present.



### COMMUNITY FRIDGE

There is a move to establish a community fridge in Burneside.

It would store fresh and perishable foods for anyone to put in to share or take out. Instead of the loss of so much edible foodstuffs, the fridge would allow local distribution to those who need it. We can just come and help ourselves.

This website gives information about how community fridges work.

<https://www.hubbub.org.uk/blog/hubbub-to-double-the-number-of-community-fridges>

If anyone has any views on this please contact Judith Notley [judithnotley@gmail.com](mailto:judithnotley@gmail.com)

### PARISH RIGHTS OF WAY-new information on Burneside Parish Council web-site.

Many of you will be aware of how fortunate we are in Burneside to have a considerable number of footpaths and bridleway throughout the parish which we can enjoy for exercise, relaxation and access to all corners of the varied landscapes.

For some years volunteers have recorded a data base of these path first as a paper record but more recently digitally, now these footpath surveys are available on the Parish Council web-site [[www.burneside-pc.org.uk](http://www.burneside-pc.org.uk)]. For purposes of identification CCC and LDNPA allocate each path a number and the surveys follow this pattern and record the route and the position of each gate, stile and signpost.

At the top of the web-site home page click on "Footpaths" to see an explanatory introduction, maps of Strickland Ketel and Strickland Roger annotated with path numbers, and an area guide with each path numbered. Click on the number of a path to bring up the detailed survey.

Although many will be familiar with local footpaths it is possible you may find paths you were unaware of and discover parts of the parish you have not explored. Do continue to enjoy walking them and please look after them by avoiding litter or damage or disturbing livestock. If you notice any problems with stiles or signs or anything else please notify the parish council clerk by e-mail.

Your feed-back is welcomed.



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Councillor Notley will now work with Stewart Menzies on footpaths. Broken and missing signage was discussed and Councillor Senior said that there is funding available for signage.

**Proposed formation of sub-group to liaise with the Burneside Resident's Association:** A proposal was made to form a sub-group to liaise with the Burneside Resident's Association. This was agreed, and Councillors Alder, Notley and Tondeur are happy to be part of this group. Councillor Bell indicated she would be willing to attend if required.

The sub-group will need to set their own terms of reference and will be required to keep simple minutes as a record of what has been decided. There will be the opportunity to report back to every Council meeting if appropriate.

The Clerk will convey this to the Resident's Association and it will be an agenda item for the next meeting, should any further clarification be required.

**'Library' in the Hollins Lane bus shelter:** Steve Holton had kindly secured the book shelf in the bus shelter and it is no longer a safety hazard. Some of the old stock of books have been removed and so the 'library' continues as a valuable community service. Councillor Ridyard thanked him very much for his work.

**Traffic issues:** Councillor Ridyard had received two responses from CCC Highways and these had been shared with Councillor Julie Huck and Councillor Senior. It seems likely that the required work may cost in the region of £20,000. This will be an agenda item for the next meeting.

Re-claiming of disused/underused buildings in the parish:

Councillor Notley continues her investigations into the former toilet block and what use it might be put to, possibly working together with the Resident's Association. Councillor Bell has been in contact with the owners. Councillor Tondeur agreed to investigate if any funding might be available to purchase and renovate areas such as these. The car park opposite the church and the former youth club building are also areas of concern and these have been raised with the owner by Councillor Ridyard.

**Neighbourhood Plan:** Councillor Ridyard said that, following the resignation of Councillor Smith, she is the only Councillor on this group. Councillor Alder agreed to become part of the group. There has been no progress on a plan, apart from the change in designation and the securing of funding from LOCALITY for a Housing Needs Assessment and Design Code; the draft Design Code has been sent back for amendments. That is as far as the matter has been taken and none of this has cost the Parish Council anything at all.

**Open Forum:** Roger Leather updated the Council on B4RN progress, from its beginning in 2018. The initiative to bring hyperfast broadband to Strickland Roger and Over Staveley is complete. Of a possible 97 connections, 94 were requested. A 97% take-up. The Clerk will officially convey the Council's thanks for his continued work. An initiative to bring B4RN hyperfast broadband to Strickland Ketel has sprung (B4SK). More information can be found on the B4RN page on the PC website.

In response to a comment that the station lights are left on all night, Roger Leather agreed to contact Jane Murray to ask that they are turned off when there are no trains running.

The Clerk said that £250 had been received today from Councillor Hazel Hodgson's allowance, towards equipment for the play area. The Clerk will convey the Council's thanks to her.

A resident of Bowston had raised issues in relation to the telephone kiosk, the notice board and the need for a litter bin to be installed. It was agreed to make this an agenda item for the next meeting.

Councillor Alder and Steve Holton had completed the survey of potholes in the parish as agreed and this will be sent, together with photographs, to CCC Highways. The Council's thanks are recorded for this work.

The Council has not come to a collective view on the present proposal for the re-organisation of local government and it was suggested that Councillors should be free to complete the survey individually.

**Date of the next meeting: Tuesday 6th April 2021 by ZOOM at 7pm**

Any community information that you wish to be added within the Parish News needs to be submitted by the 3rd Sunday of the month to Amanda Shaw: [amanda@dashaw.co.uk](mailto:amanda@dashaw.co.uk)