

Minutes of a meeting of Burneside Parish Council held at St Oswald's Church Room, on Tuesday 5th February 2019 at 7pm.

Present were Councillors Pennie Ridyard (Chairman), Julie Huck, Anne Hutton, Geoffrey Marvin, Derrick Wade and Ian Walker, five members of the public and Parish Clerk Kevin Price. Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Will Huck (long-term leave of absence), County Councillor Stan Collins, District Councillor Pat Bell, PCSO Mandy Coleman and Stewart Menzies.

The Chairman thanked Councillor Marvin for standing in as a Councillor again, in order to help the Council while numbers are low.

19/1 Public participation:

- a. Reference was made to the presentation the previous evening at Staveley, which was an update on the ongoing process aiming to reduce flood risk on the Kent area. Craig Cowperthwaite from the Environment Agency explained where we are in the Appraisal process and the next step. It was emphasised that the three Phases of flood action would only happen if Phase One goes through. There have been significant objections to Phase One. The Council was requested to submit a letter of support in principle, to the Environment Agency, to the flood defence work going forward. The Flood Action Group fully supports this.
- b. A major planning application for the village is expected from SLDC shortly. No details are publicly available yet. The Clerk will request an extension of the time allowed for comments if required.
- c. A resident had raised an issue with the Dales Way Association concerning pallets across a public footpath at Bowston Bridge and this has been passed to the Ranger for the area.

19/2 Requests for Dispensations: None.

19/3 Declarations of Interest:

Councillor Wade declared an interest, as a member of the committee, should any matters be discussed in connection with the Residents Association.

19/4 Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting held on 4th December 2018, having been circulated were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

19/5 Casual vacancies:

The Clerk said there had been no expressions of interest in the Casual Vacancies but that now that Parish Elections are less than six months away, there is no obligation upon the Council to co-opt. He suggested taking no further action and this was agreed.

19/6 Standing Orders/Financial Regulations:

The Model Standing Orders/Financial Regulations had been amended as appropriate for this Council by Councillor Marvin and circulated to all Councillors. It was resolved to adopt these, the definitive copy being kept on the website and revised when necessary in future.

19/7 Revised schedule of meetings for 2019:

The revised schedule of meetings for 2019 was unanimously agreed as follows:

(all Tuesdays at 7pm)

9th April	Last meeting of the old Council
7th May	Annual Council Meeting - and first meeting of the new Council
2nd July	
3rd September	
12th November	

19/8 Proposed 'Open Meeting':

It was resolved to hold an 'Open Meeting' on Tuesday 19th February at 7.30pm at the Bryce Institute and to invite all residents to attend, but particularly village groups and organisations, in order to promote greater interest in the Parish Council. Councillor Marvin had produced a flyer for distribution and agreed to be responsible for the arrangements. Both Councillor Julie Huck and the Clerk are not available then and gave apologies.

19/9 Community-Led Action Plan:

The Community-Led Plan has not been updated since 2010, whereas it was due for updating in 2015. Many of the actions highlighted therein had not been achieved and these had also come to light when the proposed Neighbourhood Plan was being prepared. It was resolved that this must be taken up with the new Council after May.

19/10 Request from Burneside Community Energy Benefit Fund:

A request had been received from Burneside Community Energy Benefit Fund to provide a second bench outside St Oswald's Church. The Council is extremely grateful for this kind offer and resolved to accept it with thanks.

19/11 Textile recycling banks:

A request from Dave Rayner, contracted to SCOPE, regarding possible provision of textile recycling banks in Burneside was considered. There is already one at the school but it was agreed that there could be a further one, either at the shop or the Bryce Institute, providing there is an adequate emptying arrangement so that material does not accumulate on the ground. Councillor Ridyard will enquire regarding the site.

19/12 Dark Skies:

A request from Friends of the Lake District to make a presentation on the Dark Skies Project for South Lakeland, dealing with ways to mitigate light pollution through sensitive light management planning was agreed. Councillor Marvin will make arrangements for this to be a special event.

19/13 Reports:

Reports received in advance were all noted with thanks:

- a. Police. Concern was expressed about the number of incidents, including the theft of 15 car batteries and eight vehicles being damaged.
- b. Lakes Line Rail User Group/Community Rail Partnership.
- c. B4RN.

Councillor Wade said that it is still not known who the owner of the steps at the play area is. There is also a tree at the foot of the steps, in a dangerous position. The Clerk agreed to make investigations.

It was resolved, at the request of Councillor Hutton, to defer the Traffic Management Report until a future meeting.

Councillor Marvin thanked Roger Leather for all his work, particularly in his reports submitted in time for circulation.

An email from Gayle Howarth was read, thanking the Council for purchasing the flood pumps for the residents of the parish, to Councillor Ridyard for attending the flood store opening and her very keen interest, and to Councillor Wade for all the times he has supported the flood store (which is now operative) and the practical help he has given on many occasions.

19/14 Finance:

- a. *It was resolved to pay the following accounts:*

Cumbria Pumps Ltd	£3,166.97	Community Pump
Roger Leather	£34.85	Travel (LLRUG/CRP) (already agreed)
Roger Leather	£1,063.00	B4RN costs (already agreed)
Andrew Thould	£60.00	Window cleaning bus shelter (to note)
HMRC	£364.57	PAYE (to note)
K M Price	£137.30	Quarterly expenses to 31st December. including use of home office and travel.

- b. The cash and budget statements were noted.
- c. Three estimates were considered for the refurbishment of the footpath tunnel (FP 1-3) (minutes 18/154 and 18/155b/e refer). The estimate from Rob Bell Fencing Ltd, in the sum of £1,152.00 was accepted. Councillor Walker will make the arrangements.

An email from Stewart Menzies was read, urging the Council to put this work in hand, mentioning the work by Councillor Walker in moving the project forward. He also submitted a sketch to help Councillors who may not be familiar with the area.

- d. A proposal from Burneside Residents Association that the Council should employ a handyman to carry out minor works in the parish (minute 18/144c refers) was considered. Whilst this could benefit the parish greatly, it is realised that there are many legal hurdles to surmount, employment law and insurance being just two. It is understood that CCC Highways is to contact all Parish Councils in order to assess what level of this type of work is being engaged in, so that a bespoke arrangement can be set up for each parish. The Clerk will make enquiries to ascertain at what stage these plans are at.

19/15 Planning: None.

19/16 Agenda items for the next meeting:

Youth Services - Councillor Wade

CCTV - the Clerk will contact Police regarding a possible visit to advise.

Speed Indicator Device - Hollins Lane.

Review of Transport Plan for Burneside - Councillor Marvin

Revision of sub-committees and advisory groups.

Any other agenda items can be sent to the Clerk no later than 26th March

18/17 Forthcoming dates:

Burneside Residents Association meet on 12th February.

A 'Community Clinic' is to be held at the Cricket Club on Tuesday 12th March and Councillors are welcome to attend.

Dark Skies Road Show - Tuesday 12th March at 7.30pm at the Bryce Institute - all are welcome to attend.

19/18 Date of the next meeting:

Tuesday 9th April 2019 at 7pm at St Oswald's Church Room, Burneside.

The meeting closed at 8.35pm.

Signed:

Dated: