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Minutes of a meeting of Burneside Parish Council held at St Oswald's Church Room on Tuesday 9th November 2021 at 7pm.

Public participation: John Peatfield updated the Council on Planning Application SL/2021/0817 (Bowston Weir). The submissions that will be made by the Biodiversity and Sustainability Group were outlined. It is important that the amount of local opposition is noted and that the Council request the application goes to committee. Councillor Bell reminded the Council that she had called this application in and would expect it to be considered by committee.

Councillor Hodgson mentioned the overhanging trees on the road towards Carus Green; Councillor Senior had already reported these. Councillor Wade said he would contact CCC the following day.

County and District Councillor's Reports: Councillor Bell said that the name for the new unitary Authority in 2023 will be 'Westmorland and Furness'. The legal procedures are to go before parliament early next year.

Things are changing constantly.

Councillor Hodgson said that cycling and walking are priorities at SLDC at present. The number of Councillors in the new unitary Authority will be considerably less than at present.

Councillor Collins mentioned the CCC Pension Fund, the Fire Service and the corporate memory of all the Authorities that will cease to exist in 2023, are all issues currently being considered.

A meeting is to be held next week to consider speeding issues on the B5284 and representatives from this Council, Crook and Winster Parish Council, as well as County and District Councillors, Police and CCC Highways will be present.

Updates: *Councillor Notley reported as follows:*

Plans are going ahead for the planting of an apple tree in the churchyard by school children on 11th November. The allotments are making good progress; the trees from the Woodland Trust are delayed.

There is a concerted effort to clean up the River Kent, including getting a bathing water designation.

Councillor Armer explained the effort to clean up the River Kent may include water sampling by local volunteers to gather evidence. This may be something that the Parish Council could help fund at the time.

Councillor Wade said that the overhanging trees at Hall Park had been dealt with and the paths tidied up, however the requested handrail has not been installed.

Councillor Huck reported as follows:

Burneside and Bowston Entry Signs - agreement has been signed and sent back to CCC, although they may struggle to undertake the work for some time and it may be quicker if we hire our own installation contractor. Councillor Will Huck will investigate.

Traffic Plan- there is a meeting with CCC Highways next week to look at the Crook Road issues.

Hall Road Litter Bin - SLDC Locality is no longer replying and this will not be chased any further.

Play Park- The play equipment and block paving have been repaired, the Anglers Trust are just waiting for a few more small repairs. Councillor Will Huck is in the process of ordering the new signs for the park.

Bowston - Councillors had a walk around the village and met a resident who has kindly agreed to help look after a new planter. This has been ordered from the Chairman's allowance. The damaged road and pavement surfaces on Meadow Close have been reported to CCC Highways. Councillor Julie Huck will contact the owner of the old garage again.

The removal of the redundant metal posts at the bottom of Hollins Lane has been requested.

The Parish Council planters have been cut back and bulbs planted for spring.

The overgrowth on the Hall Road footpath was reported to the land owner and CCC.

The SLDC Local Plan Review response was submitted.

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January 2022



happy new year

Dear Friends,

Who would have thought that we were going to start off this new year still having Covid regulations dominating much of what we do.

We had thought that the challenging restrictions that we coped with over 2020/21 would have largely gone, but it is not to be. We have to continue to measure risks for ourselves in all that we do, at home, work and in church.

On January 6th we celebrate the Epiphany by remembering the visit of the Wise Men to Jesus. Magi who had embarked on a huge adventure, travelling not with a map but following a star, not quite sure where they would find the king they were seeking. Our understanding is that it took them 18 months or more of travelling and searching!

And they brought with them seemingly impractical gifts for a toddler; presents that pointed to Christ's true identity. Gold - a sign of kingship; Frankincense - used by priests in the Temple and a sign of Christ's priestly role in bridge-building between man and God; and Myrrh - used to embalm bodies, a sign of Jesus' future death on the cross.

Apart from these unusual gifts, the actions of the Wise Men can teach us some things that we need to be prepared to do, if we like them, wish to discover Jesus.

Like them we need to be prepared to search. The Wise Men had to be prepared to go on a journey to find Jesus, to leave behind the familiar and comfortable and seek for a king in the most unexpected place. In 2022 might we be more willing to search for Jesus, to put some effort into seeking the truth of him out?

Like them we also need to exercise faith. Their journey must have been a hard one, they would have felt like giving up at times. Yet their conviction and determination helped them to keep on going, until their faith was rewarded at the end of the journey.

The last 18 months have been hard and I have heard more than one person say "what is the point of going on if this is all we have to look forward to?"

I think those Wise Men show us that it is worth persevering. It may be difficult but they kept on going - they had faith in God. We don't know what is in store for us in the new year anymore than those wise men knew what was in store for them on their journey. But like them we have to ask ourselves who we are going to be placing our faith and trust in throughout 2022?

Part of my New Year Resolution for 2022 is to continue on my search for a greater knowledge of Christ, even if there are difficulties on that journey. Maybe it's an adventure you will join me in during 2022?

Happy New Year to you all.

Tricia

JANUARY CHURCH SERVICES

ST.OSWALD'S, BURNESIDE

2nd 11am Holy Communion

9th 11am Morning Worship

16th 11am Holy Communion

23rd 11am Holy Communion

30th 10.30 am Holy Communion at St Johns Grayrigg, this is subject to a possible change of venue

BOOK OF
COMMON PRAYER
COMMUNION IN
THE LADY CHAPEL
EVERY WEDNESDAY
AT 9.30 AM.

SOUP LUNCH SATURDAYS

8th January 2022

12 midday

* £4 per person *

Includes Soup & roll
tea / coffee and biscuits
EVERYONE WELCOME

**PLEASE COME & JOIN US
& enjoy a chat over lunch**

LOOKING AFTER OUR CHURCHYARD

Please can we remind everyone again about the rules governing mementoes, vases and flowers in the Churchyards of our Team.

Our churchyards are meant to be places of permanent peace and beauty, a resting-place for the departed, a memorial to our loved ones and a sanctuary of the natural world.

To help keep this so, there are some strict regulations that have been laid down as to what can be done in them. These rules were put in place to protect and preserve what we have and to retain the character of our churchyards for the benefit of everybody. And so that our volunteers can mow the grass without moving large numbers of pots.

Artificial flowers are **not** permitted - except Christmas wreaths and poppies at Remembrance - but these should be removed once the season is over. Glass vases are discouraged - for the safety of those maintaining the Churchyard - they break! Bulbs can be planted but not larger plants like trees, shrubs or bushes.

The Priest in Charge and PCC are responsible for maintaining the Churchyard - please help them by removing dead flowers and please don't leave soft toys, ornaments of any kind, photographs or other such items by the grave or on the ashes area - these get blown away by the wind, and as Storm Arwen showed vases and pots got broken and were dangerous. These are also strictly forbidden by the Chancellor of the Diocese and will need to be removed.

Everything of significance relating to the churchyard is covered by Diocesan Rules, and a copy of them is available in the church corridor for you to read.

Please contact the Priest in Charge or the Churchwardens for more information or if you are wondering about what is permitted.

Primroses in the Churchyard



Beacon Team Magazine

We are hoping to have a Beacon Team Magazine serving all our Churches and communities with separate sections for each parish and their community news.

Do you feel you may have the skill and time to be our editor? You will get lots of support from the editors who remain, in pulling together information from their own areas AND plenty of advice, Maybe two or three people could work as an editorial group?

The magazine is such an important way to keep our communities informed about what is happening and we want to ensure this continues.

Please ring Tricia Rogers (01539 722015) for a chat, with absolutely no obligation, to find out more.

Finance: An application for funding from the Millennium Green Trust was considered and it was resolved to make a grant of £1,640.

It was resolved to update the Council's grant application forms. The Chairman and Clerk will deal with this and also upload them to the website.

Allotments: Councillor Notley said the majority of the funding is now in place. £750 is awaited from Councillor Hodgson's allowance and the Clerk will follow this up. The Council agreed to provide the remaining £750 for the fencing works.

Burneside Residents Association: Councillor Tondeur reported that he does not think he should be updating the Parish Council on behalf of the Residents Association any longer. He reported that local residents are very thankful to the Residents Association for their flood prevention efforts.

Possible help with Parish Council work: It has been noted on numerous occasions recently just how much the workload for both Councillors and Clerks has increased, following the pandemic. This is especially true in the vast quantity of emails being received every day; the Clerk has tried to filter these somewhat but the Chairman's workload has become extremely heavy. It was agreed there is no easy answer to this, but Councillors should be aware of it and try to help ease it whenever possible.

Memorial bench: This project is almost complete and the Clerk produced the Memorandum of Agreement between CCC and this Council, for Councillors Julie Huck and Will Huck to sign on behalf of the Council, as previously agreed.

An exact location plan is required and Councillor Will Huck will make contact with Sue Batty to agree on the details.

SLDC Asset Register: The village shop has been removed from the SLDC Asset Register and it was resolved to apply for this status again.

Village Directory: This project has now been taken over by 'The Hub'.

Village Handy Person: Councillor Tondeur is leading on this. Issues requiring discussion at a future meeting include advertising for the post and managing any contractors thus recruited.

Queen's Platinum Jubilee Beacons: An email from a resident had suggested whether the Council considers if setting fire to a beacon is such a good idea given climate change. However, the Council agreed that it was a very special event and it would be looked into by Councillor Will Huck.

Planning: *The following application was considered:*

SL/2021/0817 Bowston Weir, Bowston.

The Council will endorse the submissions made from the Biodiversity and Sustainability Group, note the level of local opposition and ask that the application is heard at committee.

Complaint against the Council: Burneside Residents Association had submitted a complaint against the Council and details had been circulated to all Councillors. No further documents were submitted by either party.

Items listed in the complaint were discussed with strong opinions expressed. The Chairman reminded Councillors that any media submissions should be checked by him first.

The Residents Association requested that they have a specific agenda item on future agendas to give reports as required. The Clerk agreed to seek advice from CALC regarding the bringing of reports by community groups to Council meetings and the manner in which they should be listed on the agenda.

Open Forum: The LCWIP consultation is now open.

The Poppy Wreath for Remembrance Sunday will be laid by Cllor Will Huck will on behalf of the Council. The Dapper Dick Award is deferred until the December meeting.

The wall at Bowston Bridge has been reported to Councillor Will Huck who will investigate.

On 28th November, the Residents Association Christmas tree lights will be switched on. The Clerk agreed to ask if the Police could offer any help with traffic issues from 4.30pm on that day.

Meeting dates for 2022:

The following dates were provisionally agreed:

1st February
6th September

1st March
1st November

5th April

3rd May-**Annual Meeting**
6th December- **Precept Meeting**

7th June

5th July