Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Burneside Parish Council held at St Oswald's Church Room, Burneside, on Tuesday 3rd May 2022 at 7.30pm.

Present were Councillors William Huck (Chairman), Julie Huck, Judith Notley, Paul Senior, Tonia Armer, Keith Tondeur and Derrick Wade, County Councillor Stan Collin, District Councillor Pat Bell, four members of the public and Parish Clerk Kevin Price. District Councillor Hazel Hodgson arrived later.

#### 22/28 Election of Chairman:

Councillor William Huck was elected Chairman for 2022-23. He then signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

22/29 Request for Dispensations: None.

#### 22/30 Declarations of Interest:

Councillor Armer declared a personal interest in Planning Application SL/2022/0325 (Gilthroton, Cowan Head).

# 22/31 Appointment of Vice-Chairman:

No appointment was made and it was resolved to leave this until the number of Councillors increases.

## **22/32 Minutes:**

The minutes of the meeting held on 5th April 2022, having been circulated were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

Councillor Tondeur said he is mindful of the distress generated by the recent removal of items from the churchyard, referred to in the minutes and said there is to be a meeting with the Archdeacon on Friday of this week at 10am. Anyone may attend.

### 22/33 Council vacancies:

There had been no firm expressions of interest made, but three interested persons are being included in the circulation of minutes and agendas. It was agreed that flyers should be sent out, this will be a project towards the end of summer after the Jubilee celebrations.

#### 22/34 Election of a Parish Member to the Lake District National Park Authority:

No names were forthcoming for this position.

# **22/35 Updates:**

Councillor William Huck reported the following:

- a. A new date has been arranged for the meeting with Croppers PLC 19th May at 4pm.
- b. Volunteers are required to help with the Jubilee events.
- c. The Bowston planter has been installed.
- d. The Play Park signs requested by SLDC, after an inspection have been installed. The age limit on them was questioned; they are based on an SLDC template - the provision of facilities for older children will be raised at the upcoming meeting with Croppers.
- e. Road surfaces at Steeles Row had been reported. Councillor Collins noted they have now been repaired. There are further areas to report.
- f. CCC Highways has been contacted with the comments regarding the entry signs and Bonningate proposals. The Bowston proposals are confirmed and the private works agreement will be returned.
- g. The commemorative mugs for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee have been delivered.
- h. The Jubilee Beacon is registered.
- i. SLDC has been contacted about the Jubilee Green Canopy tree planting location; Councillor Will Huck and Notley will continue with this project.

## Councillor Notley reported as follows:

- a. The allotments are proving very successful. There is a no vehicular access to the site.
- b. The Community fridge is doing well but a lot of commitment is needed and volunteers are needed to keep the high standard and hygiene rating.

# Councillor Tondeur reported as follows:

a. The handyperson job roles will be discussed at the next meeting.

# 22/36 Burneside Parish map:

An example of the map, along with quotations will be brought to the next meeting for the Council to consider.

# 22/37 Trees and kerbs in Hollins Lane:

Councillor Senior had raised this matter regarding the 'pinch point' at the top of Hollins Lane, which is very tight and if there is a queue of vehicles entering the Lane from the A591, it can be dangerous. The kerbs, particularly where trees were previously present are now extremely dangerous. Councillor Collins agreed to raise the issues with CCC Highways and update the Council.

# 22/38 Sub-groups of the Council/Representatives:

It was resolved to make this an agenda item for the next meeting. The Clerk will send on the previous group lists before the next meeting.

## **22/39 Finance:**

a. It was resolved to pay the following accounts:

CALC £301.23 Annual subscription

Bryce Institute £2000.00 Grant

Judith Notley £33.43 Community fridge - food

- b. It was resolved to remove former Councillor Pennie Ridyard from the Bank Mandate, following a request from the Cumberland Building Society.
- c. The Interim Accounts for 2021-22 were noted.
- d. The Chairman and Clerk were authorised to sign Parts 1 and 2 of the Annual Return for 2021-22.
- e. Consideration was given to the possibility of employing someone to produce a Community Plan for the parish. The Council agreed this was an important project. Councillor Tondeur is to gather some information and bring this back to next meeting.
- f. An application for funding for the 'Kid's Club' was considered and it was resolved to make a grant of £250.

# 22/40 Planning:

The following application was considered:

SL/2022/0325 Gilthroton, Cowan Head. Erection of new dwelling and ancillary building.

Burneside Parish Council recommends refusal of this application for the following reasons:

The Council recently passed a resolution that all proposed developments joining the mains sewage system will be recommended for refusal until the sewage system in the parish is fit for purpose.

The proposal is in very close proximity to other properties.

The apartments that were recently sold and renovated have now been sold again as high end properties.

This proposal includes topiary and a ha ha. What market is the proposed property for? It could easily become a second home or holiday cottage.

Will this negatively impact access for the farmer to tend to livestock?
The sustainability is welcome, however it does not feel like the right location for development, it is felt there are more appropriate sites.
22/41 Open Forum:
The cost of living crisis was discussed and the possibility of a hardship fund.
22/42 Agenda items for the next meeting:
To consider the possibility of setting up a 'hardship fund'.
22/43 Date of the next meeting:
Tuesday 5th July 2022 at St Oswald's Church Room, Burneside at 7pm.
Signed:
Dated: