

Minutes of a meeting of Burneside Parish Council held at St Oswald's Church Room, Burneside, on Tuesday 5th April 2022 at 7pm.

Present were Councillors William Huck (Chairman), Tonia Armer, Julie Huck, Judith Notley, Paul Senior, Keith Tondeur and Derrick Wade, District Councillor Pat Bell, two members of the public and Parish Clerk Kevin Price.

**22/13 Public participation:**

- a. A resident expressed concerns and distress that items left on graves in St Oswald's Churchyard have been removed. The speaker said she had spoken to the Chancellor of the Diocese. The Chairman and Clerk both explained that the churchyard is entirely the responsibility of the Parochial Church Council (PCC) and the Parish Council has no authority whatsoever. Laws governing memorials on graves are laid down at Diocesan and national level.
- b. The resident's sentiments were echoed by the Residents Association and they will be supporting residents on this matter.

It was resolved that the Parish Council will contact the Incumbent to discuss the situation and the possibility of a meeting, following which the Council will report back to the resident concerned. Councillors Tondeur and Wade agreed to attend such a meeting.

- c. A letter had been received suggesting, with reference to Agenda item 9d, that the Council might consider, rather than buying some silhouettes, sponsoring an ongoing all year round and lasting charitable trust in the name of Remembrance. An Educational Trust, bursary of events for the young were mentioned. The Clerk agreed to contact the writer to ask what exactly was being suggested. If necessary, this will be an agenda item for the next meeting.

**22/14 Requests for Dispensations: None.**

**22/15 Declarations of Interest:**

There were no Declarations of Interest made in respect of any matters on the agenda.

**22/16 Minutes:**

The minutes of the meeting held on 1st February 2022, having been circulated were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

**22/17 Council Vacancies:**

There are still four vacancies on the Council and no firm expressions of interest have been received. There are three people who have shown an interest, one of whom was present at the meeting and it was agreed to keep them updated with the Council's work by including them on the mailing list for agendas and minutes.

## **22/18 Reports:**

Councillor Bell said there was not a lot she could say at this stage, being in purdah. Elections to the new 'shadow' Authority, Westmorland and Furness, will take place on 5th May and the new Authority will come into being in May 2023. Some of the boundaries of the Wards will be changed. She also reported that the planning department is still suffering delays.

## **22/19 Updates:**

*Councillor William Huck reported as follows, on the following matters:*

- a. An update was read out on behalf of the Biodiversity Group in regards to Bowston Weir removal, in particular the upstream habitats and the aim to protect this area as a community nature reserve.
- b. The overhanging planters at Steeles Row have been replanted.
- c. The planter for Bowston is ready to be installed at Winstanley Place; CCC would not allow it on the pavement.
- d. Chris Rabone has started grass cutting again for the season; areas will be managed for pollinators again.
- e. The old garage at Bowston has been removed.
- f. The Clerk has agreed to write again to the owners of the Bowston boat yard as no response had been received.
- g. The condition of the Burneside to Bowston footpath has been reported again.
- h. The Heart Start Training at the Bryce went well.
- i. The development of a bus shelter as proposed at a previous meeting: There is a need to give some time to this when available.
- j. The visit to the Mill by Councillors had been most interesting.
- k. Requesting the list of assets is on hold at present, pending the Local Government Reorganisation.
- l. The play park signs are ordered and installation is awaited.
- m. Potholes: Ratherheath Lane has been repaired but there are still further potholes to report and re-report.

*Councillor Notley reported as follows:*

- a. CCC Highways had been contacted about the potholes at the foot of Garnett Bridge Road. The Hall Road ones are also in a bad state again. There is also a damaged kerb area at Holme Houses along the green.
- b. The allotments are now up and running, with a number of plots already taken. The lease has been signed and trees have been planted all around.
- c. The Community Fridge is very well used and has been given a hygiene inspection rating of 5. The cleaning rota for it needs to be formalised.
- d. Wildflower seeds have been applied for.
- e. There are a number of spare trees, and a use for these needs to be considered.

## **22/20 Finance:**

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

Bryce Institute	£36.00	Hire of room
K M Price	£177.00	Back pay for 2021-22 (following Pay Award)
K M Price	£177.84	Quarterly expenses to 31st March

- b. The Clerk gave a brief summary of the Council's balances as at 31st March 2022. The books will now be prepared for audit and the Interim Accounts will be presented for approval at the next meeting.
- c. An application for a grant towards to the parish Jubilee celebrations was considered and it was resolved to contribute £500. The group arranging the events will be invited to ask for a further grant later if this becomes necessary.
- d. It was resolved to purchase two Remembrance soldier figures at a cost of around £350.
- e. Proposals had been received from CCC Highways in respect of improvements at Bonningate (£1,039.80), and at Bowston (£500). A request will be made to check the Bonningate signage is to be on both sides of the road. One of the signs for Bowston will also be checked. The proposals for Burneside are ongoing and traffic monitoring tubes have recently been installed in the village. A new works agreement for the entry signs has been received and Councillors will check over the final designs.

## **22/21 Queen's Jubilee events:**

The Council is working closely with volunteers from the Cricket Club who are leading on this. Afternoon tea is planned for the Thursday, children's sports on the Friday and on Sunday there will be a Jubilee party held. Volunteers are required. A tree is to be planted in the autumn, commemorative mugs are on order for presentation to children and flag will be flown from the pole in St Oswald's churchyard. There will also be a Parish Jubilee Beacon on the Thursday evening.

A suggestion was made that the parish's planters could be planted in red, white and blue for the occasion.

## **22/22 Burneside phone box:**

Following a request from Burneside Residents Association, it was resolved, in principle, that the Council purchases the telephone kiosk in the village for future use as a book store/exchange. Councillor Tondeur will work with the Association in order to prepare the necessary application forms, etc.

## **22/23 Planning:**

*The following applications were considered:*

SL/2022/0231 4 Holme Houses, Burneside. Dropped kerb and removal of hedge to allow improved parking area. Approval recommended.

SL/2022/0255 Station Yard, Burneside. Siting of up to 36 self storage containers on the existing B8 storage site. Refusal recommended for the following reasons:

There will be increased traffic - on a private road, any noise will affect neighbours. The access road is not suitable. Light pollution is likely, there is no parking available and the proposal is out of character with the surrounding area. Drainage may also be an issue.

SL/2022/0270 Rockdene, Plantation Bridge. Alterations to existing dwelling with extensions to the east (rear) and south (side), conversion & raising roof height of detached garage to annex living accommodation. Approval recommended.

## **22/24 Open Forum:**

- a. It was reported that the celebrations for the 175th Anniversary of the Lakes Line had been well supported and successful.
- b. An invitation is extended to Councillors to attend a meeting of the Cropper Community Foundation to be held on 20th April.

## **22/25 Agenda items for the next meeting:**

- a. Burneside Parish map - to consider re-printing.
- b. Trees and kerbs in Hollins Lane, and possible improvements to the turning point at the top of the lane. (Councillor Senior)

## **22/26 Subsequent meetings this year:**

5th July  
6th September  
1st November  
6th December (Precept Meeting)

An additional meeting may be arranged if required.

## **22/27 Date of the next meeting:**

***Tuesday 3rd May 2022 at 7pm at St Oswald's Church Room, Burneside.  
(This will be the Annual Parish Meeting and the Annual Council Meeting).***