

Minutes of a meeting of Burneside Parish Council held at St Oswald's Church Room, Burneside, on Tuesday 10th September 2024 at 7pm.

Present were Councillors William Huck (Chairman), Patricia Holt, Julie Huck, Stephen Roberts and Derrick Wade, four members of the public and Parish Clerk Kevin Price. Apologies for absence were accepted from Councillor Tonia Armer and received from Westmorland & Furness Councillor Ali Jama.

24/70 Public participation:

Strong objections were raised by local residents to Planning Application 2024/1571/FPA - 59 Hall Park Burneside - Garden shed to the rear of the property (Retrospective).

Councillors will consider this application and the Clerk will respond under delegated powers.

24/71 Requests for Dispensations: None.

24/72 Declarations of Interest:

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

24/73 Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting held on 2nd July 2024, having been circulated were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

24/74 Co-option of a new Parish Councillor:

Philip Alder was unanimously co-opted to the Council. He then signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and the Chairman welcomed him to the Council.

24/75 Sprint Holme bus shelter:

A resident is helping the Parish Council to obtain a quotation for the required repairs by a local builder. This information will be shared once available. The flags outside the shelter also need cleaning off - this could be a job for a new handyman.

24/76 Updates:

Councillors William Huck replied as follows:

- a. Burneside Community Energy had made contact regarding a potential meeting; this has been replied to and a date awaited.
- b. Dangerous tree at Bonningate - local residents have arranged to have this taken down.
- c. Overgrown hedges at Sprint Holme and Howgill Close were reported, these have now been reported to Westmorland and Furness Council.

- d. A response to the Local Plan 'early conversation' is to be made, a draft will be sent round to Councillors for comments.
- e. Various other overgrown hedges had been reported; these were reported to the appropriate person(s) and W&F Council.
- f. The faded white lines throughout Burneside had been reported again - still no action taken by W&F. Other Highway reports include parking at the turning area on Chapel Field, and various potholes and other issues at Plumgarths roundabout.
- g. United Utilities planning application. W&F Planning Department, CALC, U.U and two local residents had been contacted and a meeting with U.U attended. Extra information is to be submitted by U.U for the planning application; it was advised to not have a meeting with residents until after this is submitted; a drop in event is also to be held by U.U on 17th October at the Bryce. The traffic restrictions order received from W&F had been sent in error as U.U work would not start until next year if planning is approved.
- h. The permissive path on Hall Road is overgrown; this could be a job for a new handyman.
- i. Missing noticeboard; no progress has been made on getting permission from W&F to reinstall this, but efforts will continue to be made.
- j. Land West of High Sparrowmire, potential development - two briefing meetings had been attended; the Council has written to the National Trust and residents at Lane Foot have contacted the Council.
- k. Clean River Kent Campaign – a meeting has been attended with U.U regarding Burneside issues; further information regarding the Bowston treatment works had also been gained.
- l. Howgill Houses; un-mown grass area - after various back and forth dealings with W&F, New Progress Housing has been contacted.
- m. Potential Telecoms Mast in the Green Gap - the Council responded to the initial contact/ consultation from a company twice and has also asked about community information to share/ a meeting - no further response has been received.
- n. Himalayan Balsam- a local group have pulled this up, for which the Council is most grateful!
- o. A new battery was put in the defibrillator at Sprint Holme.
- p. The walls on Hall Road have finally been repaired.
- q. The hedgehog warning and car littering signs still need to go up; lack of available time has prevented this.
- r. The Council planters need tidying up.
- s. The flood equipment has been moved to the new store at the garage opposite the shop. Amanda will put information in the newsletter; the Emergency Plan just needs to be updated and resent to Resilience Direct.
- t. Willink Field cutting - after a resident asked, Chris Rabone was contacted to see if he could cut it slightly shorter for playing football. Wildlife/ pollinator areas will be cut back at the end of summer.

24/77 Finance:

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

Parochial Church Council of Burneside

£1,088.24 Newsletter/toilets, wi-fi, hire of room.

b. The cash and budget statements were noted.

c. An application for funding from Burneside Cricket Club was considered and it was resolved to make a grant for the requested amount of £5,600

24/78 Planning:

An application had been received after the agenda had been published:

Planning Application 2024/1571/FPA. 59 Hall Park Burneside. Garden shed to the rear of the property (Retrospective). There had also been objections to this application raised earlier in this meeting.

Councillors are asked to look at this (it has been circulated) and let the Clerk have their comments within about a week.

24/79 Benches outside St Oswald's Church:

One of the two benches outside the Church that was damaged has been taken away by Burneside Community Energy; they may be able to provide funding to replace this bench. The other bench is also showing signs of damage and a resident has contacted the Council, enquiring about providing a memorial bench in this location. Contact will be made with both parties and taken from there. Another resident had reported a different damaged bench in the parish; this will be investigated; it may be there is a project for the Council to replace other benches also.

24/80 Christmas Tree 2024:

A discussion was had regarding this and it was felt a separate meeting to organise it is required; volunteers will be needed to help with this event. The Christingle and tree lighting is due to take place on 24th November.

24/81 Play Park:

The damaged equipment/ flooring in the Play Park had been reported to Hannah Hill of the Anglers Inn Trust and repair is awaited. The project to renew the Play Park is also ongoing. Litter and the overgrown hedge were also reported as issues, Councillor Wade will chase these up.

24/82 Speed Indicator Device:

There is a new Clerk at Staveley with Ings PC and contact has now been made. Arrangements are being made for the SID to come to Burneside ASAP.

24/83 Defibrillator at Cowan Head:

Councillor Armer had spoken to local residents and there is definitely a desire to have one. There is hopefully a volunteer who would check the defibrillator. This will now be taken forward with the aim of securing permission for siting and a connection etc.

24/84 Parish Handyman:

Councillor Wade said he had found someone to take on this role and will put them in touch with the Chairman. The previous handyman is happy to continue with the cleaning of the bus shelters.

24/85 Correspondence:

Most of the correspondence had already been circulated by the Clerk since the last meeting.

24/86 Open Forum:

- a. Councillors were reminded about the CALC AGM, Councillors Julie and William Huck will be in attendance.
- b. 50th Anniversary of Cumbria celebration - Councillors Julie and William Huck were nominated to attend this.

24/87 Date of the next meeting:

Tuesday 29th October 2024 at 7pm at St Oswald's Church Room, Burneside.

(the next item was taken in private)

24/88 Dapper Dick Award 2024:

Three names were mentioned but it was resolved that this will again be an agenda item for the next meeting so Councillors have time to consider this.

The meeting closed at 8.30pm.

Signed:

Dated: