

Minutes of a meeting of Burneside Parish Council held at St Oswald's Church Room, Burneside, on Tuesday 7th February 2023 at 7pm.

Present were Councillors William Huck (Chairman), Tonia Armer, Julie Huck and Derrick Wade, District Councillors Pat Bell and Hazel Hodgson, four members of the public and Parish Clerk Kevin Price. Apologies for absence were accepted from Councillor Trish Holt.

23/1 Public participation:

- a. It was emphasised that it is still winter and that preparation for bad weather and flooding is important.
- b. The defibrillator at the Church is due to be updated and checked.
- c. There is potential that a defibrillator may also be installed at the Bryce Institute.
- d. There is a substantial package of both online and face to face (Kendal Library) learning offered by CCC. This would be useful for all.
- e. Details of how financial help and support can be obtained is on the CCC website.

23/2 Requests for Dispensations: None.

23/3 Declarations of Interest:

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

23/4 Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting held on 13th December 2022, having been circulated were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

23/5 Council Vacancies:

- a. The resignation of Councillor Keith Tondeur was noted, with regret. The Clerk will send him a formal letter of thanks. As this vacancy is within six months of an Election, SLDC do not need to be notified nor the vacancy advertised.
- b. Stephen Roberts was unanimously co-opted to the Council. He then signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and took his seat.
- c. The Clerk reported that there had been no further expressions of interest and then gave a brief update on the upcoming election period.
- d. The vacancy flyer will be put on the village Facebook page.

23/6 County and District Councillor's Reports:

- a. Councillor Bell said that this would be her last meeting prior to the Unitary Authority, Westmorland and Furness, coming into being on 1st April. She thanked the Council for the welcome she had always received and said she had enjoyed working with everyone. The Chairman and others made expressions of thanks to Pat for her help and regular attendance.

The Council hopes that the new Westmorland and Furness Councillor (s) will attend Parish Council meetings as often as possible.

- b. Councillor Hodgson reiterated that the new Westmorland and Furness Council will become the Unitary Authority on 1st April and gave an update on the Local Government Reorganisation process, there is also to still be a planning board for district areas. She hoped that the Councillor appointed for this parish would attend the Parish Council meetings.

23/7 Updates:

Councillor William Huck reported as follows:

- a. The new entry signs for Burneside and Bowston have been installed. It is hoped they are well received and thanks are due to Ian Nicholson for undertaking their installation.
- b. Progress has been made on the emergency plan and work will continue on it.
- c. The hedge at Carlingdale along the 'horse field' had been reported as overgrown, this has been passed on to the landowner.

Councillor Armer reported as follows:

- a. The hedge at the end of Churchill Court has still not been trimmed. This will be reported again.
- b. The fence around the Mill has still not been renewed and that area is generally unpleasant. The Mill will be contacted again.

The Clerk reported that the application to put the shop back on the community asset list with SLDC had been submitted, but had not heard anything.

Roger Leather (Rail Representative) gave the Council a summary of the previously circulated report. A bid for the 'loop' has been submitted, this would allow the project to enter the Rail Network Enhancement Pipeline and allow for further business case development. The proposal would include a dynamic loop at Burneside Station with the provision of a second platform.

23/8 Community Plan:

The Chairman said that Keith Tondeur had sent him details of suggestions that had been made at the Open Evening. It was resolved that these be put into a document which could be circulated to help enable planning, it was noted that some work had already been undertaken for some of the suggestions.

23/9 Parish Trail/Interpretation Boards:

The Council is keen to take this project forward. The Chairman will speak to Judith Notley about it, however it was reiterated that low Councillor numbers mean it is difficult to take on new projects.

23/10 Coronation Events:

It was resolved to purchase 100 mugs to mark the Coronation of King Charles III and these will be given to children at the school.

23/11 Finance:

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

Roger Leather	£684.96	Final claim (reimbursement) for project to bring B4RN to Strickland Roger.
Stan Wilson	£168.00	Handyman work
K M Price	£200.46	Quarterly expenses to 31st December, Including use of home office and travel
Andrew Thould	£60.00	Bus shelter cleaning
Geosphere	£81.00	Subscription to Parish Online
HMRC	£743.25	PAYE

- b. As the Handyman now regularly cleans the bus shelters it was resolved that a polite notice be sent to the current contractor.
- c. The Clerk gave a brief financial summary which was circulated to all Councillors.
- d. It was resolved to accept the quotation of £420 for providing a community notice board at the Hollins Lane Bus Shelter area.
- e. It was resolved to contribute £500 to the Clean River Kent Campaign 2023.
- f. Subject to the cost being acceptable, it was agreed to purchase a new flood pump for the use of the flood group.
- g. It was resolved to contribute £190 towards the Clerk's new computer equipment, which has been purchased by Kirkby Lonsdale Town Council at a total cost of £1,000, including installation and training.

23/12 Planning:

The following applications were considered

S/2023/0033 Burneside Crown Green Bowling Club, rear of Station Row, Burneside. Freestanding spectator shelter adjacent to Bowling Green. Approval recommended.

SL/2023/0020 10 Lane Foot, Windermere Road, Kendal. Single storey extension and alterations. Approval recommended.

SL/2022/1159 Fields to the North James Cropper PLC & west of Garnett Bridge Road, Burneside. Installation of a ground mounted 3MW solar photovoltaic array together with associated infrastructure and landscaping (MAJOR APPLICATION)

The following reply has been sent:

‘Burneside Parish Council supports renewable energy given the climate crisis and thus this application but would like to make the following comments:

- a. It was noted that the area of the proposed site does seem quite large and that it will be visible from a number of locations.
- b. It is noted that the screening planting does not appear to have been undertaken at the solar array that was granted permission and has been constructed south of Burneside village (approval condition)’.

23/13 Open Forum:

- a. It has been noted that there is a parked car at Hall Road that is causing some obstruction.
- b. The danger of Hollins Lane for pedestrians has been reported. CCC will be contacted again.

23/14 Date of the next meeting:

Tuesday 4th April 2023 at 7pm at St Oswald’s Church Room, Burneside.

(The public and press were excluded for the following item):

Dapper Dick Award:

A number of nominations had been received making it a difficult decision. It was resolved to make two Awards this year.

Preparations will be made for the presentations to take place at the next meeting.

The meeting closed at 8.20pm.

Signed:

Dated: