

## **BROUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL**

A meeting of Broughton Parish Council was held at Little Broughton Village Hall on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2014 at 7pm.

**Present:** Sue Hannah (in the Chair), Cllr M Richardson, Cllr R Mawdsley, Cllr Steve Hannah, Cllr V Sherwood, Cllr A Carruthers, Cllr M Weir

**Attendance:** B Carter (Clerk), Mr G Ireland

### **151/14 Apologies**

None were received.

Apologies were noted from Cllrs Sue & Steve Hannah for the October meeting.

### **152/14 Minutes of the previous meeting (19.08.14)**

It was proposed by Cllr Sherwood and seconded by Cllr Mawdsley with all other councillors in favour that the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> August were adopted as a true and accurate record. **Resolved**

The chairman signed the minutes accordingly.

### **153/14 Chairman's Announcements**

None

### **154/14 Requests for Dispensations/declarations of Interest**

None received

### **155/14 Adjournment of the meeting for public participation.**

*Broughton Dump Plans-* Mr G Ireland attended for an update on the Broughton Arms Dump as there had been some recent press coverage.

It was noted that no further information had been received by the council

**Action: Clerk to contact ABC and check on the progress of this and if any consultation is currently taking place.**

*Overhanging trees on Main Street & at the corner of the Bridge restricting the view-* It was noted that in addition to the overhanging trees opposite the junction to Little Broughton, there are also trees overgrowing at the side of Broughton Bridge preventing drivers having clear visibility entering the bridge. Also the trees along the footpath from Broughton Bridge towards Brigham are so over grown the pavement is almost unusable.

**Action: Clerk to contact the relevant authorities and parties regarding these issues.**

### **156/14 Co-option of new Councillors**

No applications for co-option were received, there remain 2 vacancies on Broughton Parish Council, any one who would like to apply to fill one of these vacancies should contact the clerk.

### **157/14 Police Report**

Apologies had been received from the police and a written report had been provided, which listed some incidents of note:

- 1<sup>st</sup> September two vehicles parked overnight on Moorfield Bank had their fuel tanks drilled and fuel drained. The investigation is on-going into these incidents and we have released information to the press to help the investigation and to make residents aware.
- 4<sup>th</sup> September some fencing were reported to have been damaged on Craggs Road.
- There have been 3 incidents of youth related anti-social behaviour reported on Church Meadows in the last month.

If anyone has any information on these matters they should contact the police on 101

### **158/14 Matters Arising**

Unless otherwise noted below all actions are deemed to have been completed

123/14- Complaint to ABC re planning ref 2/2014/2072- The clerk read out a full response from Julie Ward of Allerdale Borough Council. It was **resolved** that with regard to paragraph 2 of the letter, in the opinion of the parish council the full consultation process did not happen with regard to the first round of major modifications to the plans.

**Action: BC to draft a response to this and pass it to Cllr Sue Hannah before sending.**

139/14- Land for cemetery at Church Meadows- A response has been received from Kevin Kerrigan of Allerdale Borough Council stating that there was never an agreement for ABC to adopt this land, and that the council should speak to Christchurch and the Diocese.

The council requested that further work be done on this matter as the church have always said they didn't want (and couldn't) look after and maintain an extension to the churchyard. The whole point of this matter being raised was that there is a need for additional burial space within the parish, and the parish council thought there had been a verbal agreement for ABC to take this extension on.

**Action: BC to discuss this matter with Cllr Wilson and then continue to work on this matter with ABC & copy A/BC Cllr Cockburn in.**

### **159/14 Clerks Matters**

*Speeding review Great Broughton Main Street*- The clerk confirmed that a traffic data count has been installed on Main Street for 7 days as of the 13/09/2014. The results and a report should be received in time for the October meeting.

**Action: Clerk to agenda this item for the next meeting.**

*Land for cemetery at the edge of Church Meadows Estate*- Covered above

*Quote for resurfacing of Broughton Bridge*- The clerk had written to another contractor but no quote had been received.

**Action: Clerk to continue work on this.**

*Removal of invasive species- Himalayan Balsam*- Cumbria Probation Service have cut the Balsam now and will undertake a hand pull of the species in the spring.

**Action: Clerk to diary reminding the probation service for next spring.**

*Cricket Pitch & Ragwort-* The clerk reported that she had attended the site in early September and took some photographs showing a large volume of Ragwort on the Cricket Pitch near the boundary with the stables, there doesn't appear to be any Ragwort on the grass verge between the Cricket Pitch & the Stables, it therefore appears that the Ragwort could be escaping from the Cricket Pitch on to neighbouring land.

Cllr Sue Hannah reported to the meeting that an email had been received from Mr R Dobie stating that there was no tenancy agreement, and no rent due and in the past the parish council have contributed to maintenance. Cllr Sue Hannah has located a copy of a tenancy agreement from 2008 stating that peppercorn rent of £1 per year was due, and it was the responsibility of the tenant to keep the ground in a good condition. No rent has been received in the last two years.

Cllr Sue Hannah felt that the tenancy should be renewed & updated and if necessary the Cricket Club could apply to the parish council for a grant to help with maintenance.

Members of the meeting noted that the Cricket Club didn't hold matches on the pitch due to its condition.

**Action: Clerk to request that Cllr Wilson discuss these matters with Ray Dobie and reports back at the next meeting**

**Action: Clerk to agenda this matter for the next meeting.**

*ABC Planning Compliant-* Covered above

*Compulsory Purchase order on Land near Orchard House-* This item is on hold whilst Cllr Wilson annotates a map with the location of the compulsory purchase order.

**Action: Clerk to agenda this for the next meeting**

*Play area update on repair works & inspection-* Clerk reported that this inspection and repairs have now taken place, the report on the condition of the timber will be tabled at the next meeting.

**Action: Clerk to agenda this for the next meeting.**

*Dangerous Structures Report on Laburnam House-* The clerk reported that ABC dangerous structures team agree that there is an issue with the wall at Laburnam House. ABC have sent a letter asking for the recipient to confirm they are the homeowner, following this ABC will work on a resolution to this issue. If necessary the issue maybe passed to the Highways Team at CCC as a danger near the highway.

**Action: Clerk to update on this matter at the next meeting.**

*Sign @ Church Meadows Housing Estate-* The clerk reported that following a discussion with Persimmion Homes the sign post in question is still in situ on the grass verge but the finger/arm has been cut off.

**Action: Cllr Richardson & Smith to undertake a site visit and report on the action required at the October meeting e.g. request CCC to erect a new sign in X location.**

*Water Pollution Letters-* Clerk informed the meeting that letters have been received by a number of properties in the Church Meadows & Ghyll Bank Area regarding 'misconnected' plumbing resulting in water pollution in outflow sources.

**Action: Clerk to request further information on the type of pollution that has been identified and detail on how they identify which property in particular properties are causing concerns.**

#### **160/14 Reports from visiting councillors**

No visiting councillors were present at the meeting.

#### **161/14 Allotments**

*Notice from UU that water consumption is higher than normal on both allotments April-July*

Broughton Parish Council noted that this had been received and requested an update on this matter once the relevant bills are received.

**Action: Clerk to agenda this item for the next meeting.**

#### **Clean up at Coldgill Allotments**

The clerk informed the meeting that there was a pile of rubbish including old barbed wire on the lower part of Allotment 9 (under the wet area). It is not known who this rubbish belongs to but it needs to be dealt with.

**Action: Clerk to ask John Dobie if he can dispose of this wire in his metal skip? If not the council may need to consider hiring a skip.**

#### **162/14 Parish Maintenance**

Cllr Sherwood reported that there has been some fly-tipping on Limefoot again.

**Action: Clerk to report this to the ABC fly tipping team.**

Cllr Smith noted that a new fence/stile had been erected at the edge of Alan's Telfords land across the footpath and the stile is too high, and flimsy in construction.

**Action: Clerk to write to the landowner & raise the issue with the CCC if it is a public footpath.**

Cllr Steve Hannah reported that in the footings of the new gate that is on the path down the side of Nook allotments (between plot 1 and the Kirkpatrick's field) there is a very large piece of metal that could potentially cause a hazard.

**Action: Cllr Smith to provide a footpath reference number for this path to the clerk.  
Action: Cllr Steve Hannah to speak to a contact regarding this matter.**

#### **163/14 Correspondence.**

The council has received the following correspondence all of which were noted:

1. Notice re Salmon & Sea Trout stocks being under threat- From Derwent Owners Association
2. National Grid North West Coast Connections Project- Consultation open 4<sup>th</sup> September
3. Forthcoming three tier locality workshops including planned site allocations
4. CALC- Allerdale General Meeting- Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2014

5. Confirmation from Christchurch that they are now fully funded and the project will be commencing
6. Solway Firth Partnership Newsletter- August 2014
7. CALC September Circular
8. Letter from Christchurch confirming receipt of donation and confirming in writing willingness to comply with the conditions.
9. Papers for Derwent Owners Association Meeting- *Information passed to Cllr Richardson*

**Action: Clerk to forward the information from the Derwent Owners Association to Cllr Mawdsley.**

#### **164/14 Policies & Procedures**

*Consideration of the draft complaints procedure.*

It was proposed by Cllr Smith, and seconded by Cllr Steve Hannah that this be adopted. **Resolved** that this complaints procedure be adopted.

**Action: Clerk to load a copy of this to the council website.**

#### **166/14 Payment of accounts & financial statements**

**ACCOUNTS SCHEDULE for 16<sup>th</sup> September (Revised one will be tabled at the meeting if any more invoices have arrived )**

#### **Financial Statement.**

#### **Bank Statements**

Current Account – Statement (at 17/08/2014)	£11,822.74
Money Manager Account (at 30/06/2014)	£89.52
Cumberland Building Society Account (At 30/09/2013)	£84,545.76
	<b>Total £96,458.02</b>

#### **Invoices for payment 16<sup>th</sup> September 2014**

<b>From</b>	<b>Reason</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Cumbria Payroll Services	PAYE Services	£12.00
Becx Carter	Salary	£301.13
HMRC	PAYE	£75.20
Ian Winter	Grass Cutting & Maintenance	£103.00
Becx Carter	Expenses	£88.17
<b>Total</b>		<b>£579.50</b>

## Receipts between 19<sup>th</sup> August- 16<sup>th</sup> September

Precept	£5275.44
CTRS Grant	£974.55

The Council **approved** payments of the invoices listed above (proposed by Cllr Smith, and Cllr Carruthers), and they were signed by two signatories (Cllr Sherwood & Cllr Carruthers)

### **Action: Clerk to process the above payments**

Cllr Smith Proposed that the September reconciliation be signed as a true and accurate record, this was seconded by Cllr Carruthers. All were in favour. **Resolved.**

The August reconciliation was duly signed by the Chair

### *Concurrent Grant*

The council noted receipt of the reporting form for the Concurrent Grant. The Council thought that they had received concurrent grant during 13/14.

**Action: Clerk to look through the financial records for the council and complete this form accordingly.**

### *HSBC Change in terms & conditions*

Receipt of the change in terms & conditions for the HSBC accounts were noted as received.

## **167/14 Planning Applications**

Ref:	2/2014/0350
Applicant:	M-Sport Limited
Proposal:	Demolition of up to seven buildings including School House, Hodgson House and Howard House. Full planning application for M Sport Evaluation Centre (B1) including testing and evaluation facility (2.5km in length), car parking (242 spaces), earth works including sound attenuation boards, surface water attenuation ponds, grounds maintenance shed incorporating the fuel store (B1 & B8) and separate underground fuel tank. Temporary widening of eastern access for A594 for construction vehicles. Outline planning application for future expansion space of 5000sqm (use class B1). Offices 2450Sq (B1), 60 Bed hotel, 6000sqm (C1) all to include associated parking & external works. AMENDMENTS
Location:	M-Sport Dovenby

**Resolved** that the council had no comments on these amendments.

## **168/14 Planning Decisions**

The parish council noted the below decisions:

Ref:	2/2014/0438
Applicant:	Mr J Sims

Proposal: Variation of condition 2 on planning application 2/2011/0638 for demolition of garage and erection of a dwelling  
Location: Land Adjoining 4 The Entrance, Little Broughton, Cockermouth

FULL PLANS APPROVED

**169/14 Consultations for Consideration & Response**

CCC Consultation on speed limits in Allerdale Area- **Resolved** that Broughton Parish Council would like to request consideration of a change in speed limit from 30mph to 20mph for ALL roads within the Great Broughton & Little Broughton Villages.

**Action: Clerk to contact the CCC with this request.**

Parking Policies- The Right to Challenge Parking Policies- **Resolved** that Broughton Parish Council support this proposal.

**Action: Clerk to submit these a written response in support.**

**170/14 Members Queries**

No items raised

**171/14 Date of Next Meeting**

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2014 at 19:00 at Little Broughton Village Hall

The meeting closed at 20:34

**Signed .....Chairman**