

BROUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of Broughton Parish Council was held at Little Broughton Village Hall on Tuesday 19th February 2013

PRESENT: J Wilson (Chairman), M Weir, Mrs S Hannah (Vice Chairman), Mrs J Hobden, S Anderson, Mrs A Carruthers and W Smith.

Also present P Martin (Clerk), 2 members of the public and a member of the press.

The Meeting commenced at 7.30 pm

135/12 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Sherwood, Hannah and Martin.

136/12 MINUTES 22nd January 2013

It was proposed that the minutes of the meeting of 22nd January 2013 be adopted as a true and accurate record. **Resolved**

137/12 MEMBERSHIP

Vacancies for councillors

There no applications for co-option.

138/12 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fly-tipping

The Chairman reported an incidence of fly-tipping by Hill Top Farm. He reported that the landowner had removed the waste material and was prepared to erect a gate to prevent further tipping at this site if the Council would be prepared to supply the gate. The gate would be intended to prevent vehicles from backing into the lane to offload waste out of sight of the roadway.

Speeding

The Chairman had received more complaints from residents at speeding through the village. There is no footpath at certain points along Main Street and older people and children are particularly vulnerable to traffic.

Dog waste and littering

The Chairman had received numerous complaints regarding the increased incidences of littering in the village and the amount of dog waste along footways and on the Welfare Field that is not being cleared by dog owners. The Chairman will write, and circulate, a newsletter to be delivered to all residents concerning the responsibilities of being considerate neighbours.

Footpath stiles

The Council will make repairs to two footpath stiles.

Thomas Paisley Institute

The Council has written to the trustees regarding money owed to the Council.

A66 junction

The Chairman reported that electronic, and filmed, traffic surveys were now being conducted at the junction and that some results may be available to Mouchel by the end of April.

139/12 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

140/12 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Chairman adjourned the meeting to give an opportunity for residents to speak.

Mrs Thompson explained her concerns regarding the dangers to schoolchildren making their way to school in the village. Contractors at the Church Meadow site are moving and parking their vehicles dangerously at school opening and closing times, the path is obscured and poorly lit. Mrs Thompson has made the police aware of the problem and the police will monitor the situation.

The Chairman will write to the County Council and the Highways Engineer as a matter of urgency. The Chairman will also attempt to speak to the developers directly through the site manager and request that a sign be erected for the Soddy Gap footpath.

The Chairman will write separately to the Highways Engineer regarding the problems along Main Street and suggest the introduction of a 20mph speed limit.

141/12 POLICE REPORT

The Council has not received a recent report in person from the police and will request attendance at a meeting in the near future. Councillors and residents are reminded of the Cumbria Constabulary website as a source of information.

142/12 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Bus shelter

The Council will not be following up on the suggestion of siting a new bus shelter on Main Street but will contact the County Bus Infrastructure Officer for further advice. The Council will remind bus operators to look out for passengers sheltering away from the roadside in poor weather. The Council will approach the Royal British Legion Club regarding the possibility of using the building's porch.

Signs at the Welfare Field

Signs setting out rules for use have been installed on the Welfare Field playground fence.

A sign regarding football has been affixed to the back of the noticeboard. It was suggested that another be purchased and installed at the entrance to the field at the far end from the playground.

143/12 REPORTS FROM VISITING COUNCILLORS

Cllr Cockburn reported that there had been issues at the RES turbine site at Tallentire to the annoyance of residents.

She also reported that an application for turbines at Branthwaite has gone to appeal and the draft local plan will suggest an 800m distance between new turbines and residences.

144/12 CORRESPONDENCE

The Council had received the following correspondence, all of which was noted.

MRWS – decisions of councils

E Martin – flooding on Craggs Road. Cllr Carruthers reported that this work has yet to be completed.

E Martin – speed restrictions, Dovenby

CALC – newsletter

CCC – superfast broadband, Connecting Cumbria

Cumbria Constabulary – road casualties

M Grout – damage by bins wagon

M Bell – dog waste, Welfare Field. The Council will circulate a newsletter and erect a number of signs. The Council will contact Allerdale BC regarding making the Welfare Field a 'dog free zone'.

D Stamper – flytipping. The Council **agreed** to purchase, and invite Mr Stamper to install, a gate with the guidance of the Footpaths Officer. The Council will seek assistance from Allerdale BC.

K Thompson – Church Meadows footpath

CCC – Private Works agreement, MH Lane

A Davis – Broughton Children's Carnival. The Council **agreed** to make a donation of £150.

145/12 ACCOUNTS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Financial Statement.

Bank Statements

Current Account - Statement 17/1/13	40404.14
Money Manager Account 31/12/12	89.41
Cumberland Building Society Account 31/3/2012	53013.85
	Total £93507.40

Invoices 19th February 2013

P Martin	Salary (Jan/Feb)	339.67
CCC	MH Lane	5000.00
Mr Stamper	Clearance	100.00
Mr J Dobie	Clearance	100.00
Broughton Children's Carnival	Donation	150.00

These invoices were **approved** for payment.

Receipts 19th February 2013

None

146/12 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Re-consultations. The Council re-affirmed its original responses.

Reference no 2/2012/0916

Applicant; Miss Fiona Milligan

Proposal; Erection of a single wind turbine up to 77m to blade tip and ancillary equipment

Location; Land at Fox House Farm, Great Broughton

The Council objects to this application as it has a detrimental effect on the local environment and amenity. The Council feels that there is too great a concentration of turbines in the locality

Reference no 2/2012/0914

Applicant; Mr Kari Clouston, Infinergy Ltd

Proposal; Erection of a single wind turbine up to 77m to blade tip and ancillary equipment

Location; Land at West House Farm, Dearham, Maryport

The Council objects to this application as it has a detrimental effect on the local environment and amenity. The Council feels that there is too great a concentration of turbines in the locality

147/12 PLANNING DECISIONS

Reference No: 2/2012/0954

Applicant : Mr Norman Marshall, Christ Church Parochial Church Council

Proposal : Construction of single storey extension

Location : Christ Church, Kirklea, Little Broughton

APPROVED

148/12 MEMBERS QUERIES

Bridleway by Cricket Field

The Council will investigate reports of a bridleway being blocked

Potholes, Monkey Villas

The Council will endeavour to re-fill potholes at Monkey Villas.

149/12 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

19th March 2013, 7.30pm at Little Broughton Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.15pm

Signed.....Chairman