

## **BROUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL**

A meeting of Broughton Parish Council was held at Little Broughton Village Hall on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2013

**PRESENT:** J Wilson (Chairman), C Jefferson, S Carter, Mrs V. Sherwood, Mrs A Carruthers, W Smith, Mrs S Hannah (Vice Chairman), S Hannah, Mrs M Bradley and M Richardson.

Also present P Martin (Clerk), Cllr A Clark, Mrs P Harkness

The Meeting commenced at 7.00 pm

### **77/13 APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs M Weir, Mrs J Hobden, S Anderson and Mrs N Cockburn

### **78/13 MINUTES 20<sup>th</sup> August 2013**

It was proposed that the minutes of the meeting of 20<sup>th</sup> August 2013 be adopted as a true and accurate record. **Resolved**

### **79/13 MEMBERSHIP**

#### Vacancies for councillors

Mark Richardson and Mary Bradley completed their Declaration of Acceptance of Office forms.

### **80/13 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chairman was pleased to announce that the Council had received a 'clear' report from the external auditor with no outstanding matters to remedy.

The Chairman reported on correspondence with the County Council regarding various highways matters.

Highways note that they are aware of issues at Church Meadows. Cllr Clark offered to use his County Councillors allowance towards the installation of an offset pair of metal safety barriers to alert schoolchildren to the road crossing. Cllr Clark will gain an estimated cost, the Council will consider a contribution. He will attempt to progress the installation of permanent warning signs and will invite the portfolio holder for Children's Services to a site visit.

The Chairman reported on 'holding' replies regarding issues including 30mph warning signs, a manhole repair on Craggs Road, gully clearing, overhanging vegetation and a 20mph zone on Main Street.

The Highways Agency is progressing work on the assessment of safety measures at the A66 junction.

### **81/13 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr Wilson declared an interest, as a neighbour, in planning application 2/2013/0618

### **82/13 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

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

Mrs Pauline Harkness gave a short history of the creation of the Millennium Garden. The guiding principal behind the original planting scheme was to plant shrubs for seasonal display. The garden has not been maintained recently and has become overgrown. It was **agreed** that the Council will contract a gardener to undertake immediate work to tidy the garden.

### **83/13 POLICE REPORT**

There have been 16 incidents reported to the Police for the area of Great/Little Broughton from 20<sup>th</sup> August 2013 to present meeting 17<sup>th</sup> September 2013.

Below is an over view of some of the incidents reported.

#### **Little Broughton**

- On the 30<sup>th</sup> August, a member of the public reported an individual driving who does not hold a license. The Police are still investigating the incident and enquires are ongoing.
- On the 9<sup>th</sup> September, it was reported a vehicle had been stolen. The Police are currently investigating this incident.

#### **Great Broughton**

- On the 20<sup>th</sup> August, it was reported a group of individuals were acting suspiciously in the area. The Police attended and spoke to the group involved.
- On the 21<sup>st</sup> August, the Police stopped a vehicle in relation to a road-related incident. A male was arrested in relation to the incident.

- On the 27<sup>th</sup> August, it was reported several items had been stolen from a building site. Enquires are currently ongoing for this incident.
- On the 3<sup>rd</sup> September, a male was arrested for an assault.
- On the 5<sup>th</sup> September, a member of the public reported a suspicious incident. The caller was given suitable advice and advised to call us if there were any further similar incidents.
- On the 6<sup>th</sup> September, some damage had occurred to a person's property. The Police attended however were unable to identify what had caused the damage.
- On the 9<sup>th</sup> September, it was reported fires had been started. A group of young people were spoken to in relation to the fires.
- On the 10<sup>th</sup> September, it was reported items had been stolen from a building site. The Police are currently investigating this incident.

Councillors discussed recent instances of vandalism and bad behaviour at the Welfare Field. The Council will gain crime prevention advice.

#### **84/13 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

The Council will contact the handyman regarding new and outstanding works.

The Council will attempt to gain more information regarding invoices paid for consultancy work possibly relating to the Thomas Paisley Institute.

The Council will contact the Footpath Officer regarding overgrown paths in the Quarry.

The Council will request that Home Housing make repairs to a section of footpath running between Church Meadows and Ghyll Bank.

#### **85/13 REPORTS FROM VISITING COUNCILLORS**

Cllr Clark reported that double yellow lines are soon to be added to the road outside the village hall. He will request that gully clearing takes place at Fletcher Close.

#### **86/13 CORRESPONDENCE**

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

- 1 Henderson – allotment
- 2 Dobie – works, various
- 3 Kirkgate Arts – newsletter
- 4 Clerks and Councils Direct
- 5 CCC – Bus timetables
- 6 RES – Tallentire surveys

- 7 Anderson – Playground damage
- 8 Cumbria Fire and Rescue – Recruiting
- 9 Eating Disorder Group
- 10 CCC – Community consultation
- 11 Bus User Group – AGM
- 12 CALC – AGM
- 13 RES – Community Liaison Group
- 14 CALC – National Grid
- 15 CALC – MRWS
- 16 CALC – Connecting Cumbria
- 17 CALC – Flood Training Days

### **87/13 AUDIT, ACCOUNTS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

The Council received and **approved** the report from the external auditor.

#### **Financial Statement.**

##### **Bank Statements**

Current Account - Statement 17/8/13	8770.78
Money Manager Account 31/6/13	89.44
 Cumberland Building Society Account 29/6/2013	 83941.59
	 <b>Total £92939.52</b>

##### **Invoices 17<sup>th</sup> September 2013**

P Martin	Salary and expenses (August/September)	377.07
I Winter	Grasscutting	85.00
J Dobie	Stiles	152.00
BDO	Audit	396.00

##### **Receipts 17<sup>th</sup> September 2013**

Allotment Rents	90.00
(this sum not included in above balances)	

The Council **approved** payment of the invoices listed above.

**88/13 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Reference No; 2/2013/0607

Applicant: Mr J Burlinson

Proposal: Erection of semi detached dwellings

Location: Land adjoining 75 Ghyll Bank, Little Broughton

The Council has no objection to the application but wishes that conditions be attached. The Council wishes that for the safety of the public that the site be well fenced and the build work be confined to week days and be restricted through school holidays. The drainage needs to be to the road as there have been drainage problems in the area. There should be no permanent high fence to the site as this will affect visibility at the road junction.

Reference No; 2/2013/0618

Applicant: Mr R Dixon

Proposal: Outline proposal for new dwelling

Location: Land adjacent to Glenfield, Little Broughton

The Council has no comments or objection.

**89/13 PLANNING DECISIONS – none**

**90/13 MEMBERS QUERIES**

Councillors requested that the subjects of Managing Radioactive Waste Safely and the Millennium Garden be debated at the next meeting.

**91/13 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

29<sup>th</sup> October 2013, 7.00pm at Little Broughton Village Hall.

**The meeting closed at 8.50pm**

**Signed.....Chairman**