

BROUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of Broughton Parish Council was held at Little Broughton Village Hall on Tuesday 22nd January 2013

PRESENT: J Wilson (Chairman), S Hannah, Mrs S Hannah (Vice Chairman), Mrs V Sherwood, S Anderson, C Jefferson and W Smith.

Also present P Martin (Clerk) and a member of the press.

The Meeting commenced at 7.30 pm

119/12 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Hobden, Carruthers, Weir, Martin, North and Cockburn

120/12 MINUTES 27th November 2012

It was proposed that the minutes of the meeting of 27th November 2012 be adopted as a true and accurate record. **Resolved**

121/12 MEMBERSHIP

Vacancies for councillors

There no applications for co-option.

122/12 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bus shelter

The Chairman had been approached by residents concerning a new site for a bus stop and shelter in the village near to the post office. He had investigated but there appears no site for a shelter without denying access to the post office for customers and deliveries. Cllrs discussed the possibility of an awning being positioned on the Legion club wall.

It was agreed that the best temporary solution was for passengers to keep dry in the sheltered area at the front of the post office. The Council will write to Cumbria CC and to the bus company advising them that the bus driver be directed to look out for passengers waiting there in bad weather.

Thomas Paisley Institute

The sale of the Institute has been completed and the Council will again contact the trustees, and their solicitors, regarding monies owed. ACT will also be informed. The new owners of the building will carry out necessary remedial works but this might take some time.

A66 junction

The Chairman reported that various agencies acting in concert may be able to condense the normal 5 year process for works to be completed. There will be a video study conducted from April 2013, and if this provides the evidence needed (for a value management report) then it is hoped to submit a funding bid in September 2013, for a decision date of January 2014. If successful this would be followed by detailed design work, possible land acquisition for a build date sometime in 2015.

123/12 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

124/12 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Chairman did not adjourn the meeting to give an opportunity for residents to speak as there were no members of the public present.

125/12 POLICE REPORT

The Council has received recent report from the police detailing a very low level of crime in the parish in the last 2 months. Councillors and residents are reminded of the Cumbria Constabulary website as a source of information.

126/12 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

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.

Potholes, Monkey Villas

Some work has been completed to fill potholes on the area of hard standing at Monkey Villas.

127/12 REPORTS FROM VISITING COUNCILLORS

Cllr Martin sent in the following report;

- MRWS and GDF – BIG Decision day approaching. I have had scores of letters/emails. Decision on Wednesday, 30th.
- Superfast Broadband – now got EU clearance (at last!) and we shall be rolling out maps (with BT compliance) for installation. Almost there. What a bureaucratic nightmare!

- Budgeting – now have £24.5 m (assuming no council tax rise – which I shall be arguing for...) to find (which we shall) BUT without serious damage to front line services but, sadly, a few more voluntary redundancies, I'm afraid.
- New County Council boundary changes; Broughton remains with Dearham but will also now take in Gilcrux and Allerby, but Brigham and Papcastle go to Cockermouth, and Crosby goes to Maryport. Elections on 2nd May.
- Several discussions about the A66 Brigham/Broughton crossroad. Highways Agency is producing proposals. Nicky is leading on this.
- I will be meeting with the Traffic Engineer shortly to discuss the Community Travel Plans for Broughton (always subject to funding, of course!), but I will keep nagging.
- I would urge the PC or local voluntary groups to get involved with the County's Neighbourhood Care Scheme- if they are so inclined. Local people 'protecting' local vulnerable people, I suggest.

128/12 CORRESPONDENCE

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

E Martin – Meeting House Lane
 Allerdale BC – Playground Inspection report
 Citizens Advice Allerdale – appeal
 Derwent Owners Association – minutes
 Allerdale BC – Lease of land
 CALC – December newsletter
 CCC – Consultation on draft budget
 P Inglis – The Punchbowl Inn
 Came & Co – Increased frequency in public liability claims
 ABC – Allerdale Area Working proposals
 CCC – Welfare Reform briefing
 CALC – concurrent grant
 E Martin – Community Travel Plan priorities – the Council will circulate the Community Travel Plan and suggest to Highways that repairs/works to Main Street be treated holistically.
 ABC – concurrent grant
 E Martin – funding for local projects
 ABC – Council Plan
 E Martin & others – Tallentire Wind Farm
 Connecting Cumbria – newsletter
 Crime Commissioner – consultation
 NALC – Royal Garden Party
 Go Cumbria – survey
 P Inglis – Punchbowl update
 CALC – National Grid, meeting
 CCC – Chimney fire warning
 Police Commissioner – Community Safety meetings
 D Malley – payroll services
 A Carruthers – Craggs Road

129/12 ACCOUNTS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Financial Statement.

Bank Statements

Current Account - Statement 17/12/12	41053.01
Money Manager Account 31/9/2012	89.41
Cumberland Building Society Account 31/3/2012	53013.85
	Total £94156.27

Invoices 22nd January 2013

P Martin	Salary (Nov/Dec)	301.27
P Martin	Salary and Expenses (Dec/Jan)	309.67
J Wilson	Expenses	107.49
Allerdale BC	Playground Inspection	67.20
T Stamper	Footpath permission	240.00
HMRC	PAYE	207.00

Receipts 22nd January 2013

Interest	0.02
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These invoices were **approved** for payment.

130/12 BUDGET & PRECEPT

The Council considered setting a budget for 2013/14

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2013/2014
Expenditure

Parks and Open Spaces

Grass cutting - Parish	1,200.00
Paths	
Village maintenance	1,500.00
Welfare Field	500.00
Repairs to play equipment	300.00
Play equipment Inspection	100.00
Public seats maintenance	200.00
CPFA subscription	20.00
Sub total	3,820.00

Allotments

Skip Hire	180.00
Water Charges	1,100.00
Maintenance (inc materials)	500.00
Repairs, fencing	1,200.00
Sub total	2,980.00

Donations & Projects

Royal British Legion	25.00
Broughton Red Rose	100.00
Broughton 1st Responders	100.00
Christ Church	150.00
Broughton Carnival	150.00
Broughton School	100.00

Broughton Over 60's Club	100.00
Xmas Lighting/Tree	200.00
Gt Broughton Mother & Baby	100.00
Cumbria Air Ambulance	100.00
Newsletter delivery	200.00
Broughton Village Hall	100.00
Donation to Allotment Club	100.00
To be allocated	
Outside Parish	
Sub total	1,525.00

General Administration

Parish Clerk salary	3,360.00
Administrative expenses	300.00
Room Hire	200.00
Local Council Insurance	750.00
PAYE	840.00
Audit Fees	170.00
CALC subscription	270.00
Councillor expenses	100.00
Computer costs, stationery and postage	700.00
Computer costs	
Election expenses	
Chairman's Allowance	
Newletters	200.00
Derwent Owners Association	40.00
Penalty fee	
Total General Administration	6,930.00

SUMMARY EXCLUDING
CAPITAL

Parks & Open Spaces	3,820.00
Allotments	2,980.00
Donations & Projects	1,525.00
General Administration	6,930.00
Total Expenditure	15,255.00

Income

Precept	12,000.00
Bank Interest	400.00
Vat refund	300.00
Allotment rents	3,000.00
WREN grant	
Fishing licences	150.00
Miscellaneous	200.00
Total income	16,050.00

The Council **approved** the budget and set the precept at £12,000. The Council has increased the precept by £500 from 2012/13 partly to offset the loss of concurrent grant from Allerdale BC and to reflect additional housing in the village. The Council will write to Allerdale BC requesting clearer guidance for future budgeting.

131/12 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Reference no 2/2012/0954

Applicant; Mr Norman Marshall, Christ Church Parochial Church Council

Proposal; Erection of single storey extension

Location; Christ Church, Kirklea, Little Broughton

The Council **supports** this application

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

132/12 PLANNING DECISIONS

There were no planning decisions notified to the Council

133/12 MEMBERS QUERIES

There were no members' queries.

134/12 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

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

The meeting closed at 9.20pm

Signed.....Chairman