

BROUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of Broughton Parish Council was held at Little Broughton Village Hall on Tuesday 29th October 2013

PRESENT: J Wilson (Chairman), Mrs V. Sherwood, Mrs S Hannah (Vice Chairman), S Hannah, Mrs J Hobden, Mrs M Bradley and M Richardson.

Also present P Martin (Clerk), Cllr T North, Cllr N Cockburn and a member of the press

The Meeting commenced at 7.00 pm

92/13 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs A Carruthers, S. Carter, M Weir and W Smith

93/13 MINUTES 17th September 2013

It was proposed that the minutes of the meeting of 17th September 2013 be adopted as a true and accurate record. **Resolved**

94/13 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman has corresponded with the Home Housing Group and it has been agreed that they will shortly upgrade the surface of the footpath between Church Meadows and the church. The Chairman had given permission for Home Housing works units and skips to be sited on the boundary of the Welfare Field whilst repairs and renovations are ongoing to local houses.

The Chairman had not received any recent correspondence from a representative of the Highways Dept. despite repeated prompting. The Council will invite the Area Engineer to attend the next meeting.

The Chairman reported that Action for Communities in Cumbria had provided some additional information regarding the Thomas Paisley Memorial Trust. It is understood that the Trust is not a charity and functions as a private trust. ACT has been instructed not to divulge the names of the board of trustees. The only known condition applied to funds administered by the Trust is that they should not be used directly or indirectly to promote gambling. The chairman understands that a notice was placed in the window of the Thomas Paisley Institute inviting residents to suggest how the funds from the building's sale might be spent. The money is currently held in escrow by the trust's solicitors. The Council will continue to press for repayment of money lent to the trust.

The Chairman reported that he, and many other residents, had received a letter from Leconfield Estates asserting mineral, hunting and fishing rights on land owned by

him. The Chairman has sought legal advice. Cllr Cockburn suggested that residents are able to register their opposition to Leconfield's action by filling in form HN4 on the Land Registry website. There is no fee applicable to the application for opposition. Cllrs Wilson and Cockburn will bring further information to the next meeting.

95/13 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

96/13 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Chairman did not adjourn the meeting to give an opportunity for residents to speak as there were none present.

97/13 POLICE REPORT

The Council did not receive a report from Cumbria Police. The Council reminds residents that regularly updated information is available from the Cumbria Constabulary website.

98/13 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Allotments

Cllr Hobden reported that there had been a recent incidence of arson at the Nook allotments, and a ride on mower had been destroyed.

She voiced her concern that a number of newly let allotments had not been worked this season. The Council will contact these tenants in an attempt to gain an idea as to their future use. Tenants will be advised that should they not wish to keep allotments tended that the Council has a waiting list of keen would be gardeners.

Welfare Field playground

The Council has contracted Allerdale BC to carry out a playground inspection. It will seek advice as to the wisdom of repair or replacement of damaged swings.

The Council has received an estimate of £1578 for repair of the rubberised play surface. The Council will authorise these repairs if appropriate guarantees are given. The Council will contact its insurers regarding a possible claim.

Repairs/handyman

The Council will seek further estimates for repair to the glazing of the Moor Road bus shelter.

MRWS

Councillors agreed to debate this issue at the next meeting. Any articles, either pro or anti, should be forwarded to the clerk who will circulate them to councillors.

Millennium Garden

A gardener has completed pruning and tidying works to the Millennium Garden.

99/13 REPORTS FROM VISITING COUNCILLORS

Cllr Cockburn reported that an appeal to erect wind turbines had been won by developers. Allerdale has the largest concentration of wind turbines in the county.

100/13 CORRESPONDENCE

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

- 1 Police Commissioner – Independent custody visiting scheme
- 2 Enterprise Mouchel – Works, A66
- 3 Mark Group – Home insulation
- 4 CCC – fostering
- 5 Derwent Owners Association – minutes
- 6 Allerdale BC- review of polling places
- 7 Cumbria Community Foundation – annual review
- 8 Allerdale BC – Dog fouling stencils. The Council was in favour of this initiative to paint stencils on paths and will arrange for the Environmental Health team to visit.
- 9 CALC – Budget
- 10 A Millie – MRWS
- 11 M Birkby – MRWS
- 12 N Cockburn – A66 junction
- 13 Allerdale BC – Local Plan
- 14 CALC – newsletter
- 15 Allerdale BC – Playground inspections
- 16 Age UK – Homeshare
- 17 Allerdale BC – Spot the Grot
- 18 Matthew Horn – Tallentire hydrology
- 19 Cumbrian Food direct – mobile shop. The Council believes the village is well served by current retailers.
- 20 Cumbria CVS – Volunteer recruitment
- 21 CALC – standing orders
- 22 CALC – MRWS
- 23 RTC – Playground repair estimate
- 24 Allerdale BC – Local Plan submission
- 25 Infinergy – Cricket pitch
- 26 Cumbria CC – Church Meadows. The Council are disappointed at the lack of support for road safety measures, specifically a pedestrian crossing, from CCC. The Council will contact the police for comment and will invite a representative from County Highways to the next meeting. The Council will also invite the school headmistress. The Council is unhappy that no permanent ‘School Warning’ signs are yet in place.
- 27 Clerks and Councils Direct - newsletter

101/13 ACCOUNTS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The Council will monitor direct debit payments made to United Utilities for water supplied to The Nook allotments.

Financial Statement.

Bank Statements

Current Account - Statement 17/10/13	13015.26
Money Manager Account 30/9/13	89.46
Cumberland Building Society Account 29/6/2013	83941.59
	Total £97046.31

Invoices 29th October 2013

P Martin	Salary and expenses (September/October)	383.77
I Winter	Grasscutting	79.00
Allerdale BC	Overpaid grant	219.00
S Kemp	Gardening	150.00
Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal	Wreath	30.00

Receipts 29th October 2013

Allotment Rents	198.00
Precept	6250.00
Interest	0.02

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

The Chairman will make arrangements for the purchase of a Christmas tree and will purchase small presents for the donators of electricity and lights for the tree.

102/13 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Reference No.: 2/2013/0744

Applicant: Mr & Mrs R Elliott

Proposal: Construction of a single storey front and side extension

Location: 12 Coldgill Avenue, Great Broughton

The Council has no objection or comments.

Reference No.: 2/2013/0653
Applicant: Mr Andy Thornton
Proposal: Proposed extensions and alterations to existing elevations
Location: Willowdene, The Green, Little Broughton

The Council has no objection or comments.

Reference No.: 2/2013/0709
Applicant: Mr & Mrs Thomason
Proposal: Residential dwelling
Location: Bryleen, Moor Road, Great Broughton

The Council has no objection or comments.

103/13 PLANNING DECISIONS - noted

Reference No.: 2/2013/0607
Applicant: Mr J Burlinson
Proposal: Erection of semi detached dwellings
Location: Land adjoining 75 Ghyll Bank, Little Broughton
APPROVED

Reference No.: 2/2013/0618
Applicant: Mr R Dixon
Proposal: Outline proposal for new dwelling
Location: Land adjacent to Glenfield, Little Broughton
REFUSED

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Proposal: Proposed extensions and alterations to existing elevations
Location: Willowdene, The Green, Little Broughton
APPROVED

104/13 MEMBERS QUERIES

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

Cllr Richardson offered to post news, minutes and agendas to social media sites.

105/13 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

26th November 2013, 7.00pm at Little Broughton Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.00pm

Signed.....Chairman