

Parish Council of Barton

MINUTES of meeting held Tuesday 13th November 2018 at 7.00pm in Parkin Memorial Hall, Pooley Bridge

Present: Miles MacInnes, Mark Vause, Daniel Dinham, Samantha Bunting, Justin Ray and Clerk Jill Mackey.
In attendance: Cllr. Neil Hughes and two members of the public.

1. **Apologies for absence:** Cllr. Mike Slee.
2. **Requests for dispensations** – MV, DD, SB, to speak on Crown Hotel planning application 3155 - agreed.
3. **Declaration of Interest** – none.
4. **Public Participation session:** (attention drawn to Data Protection Policy Notice): William Coulston spoke on behalf of Hugo Summerson regarding the roadside wall – see item 12.
5. **Minutes of last meeting held 11th September 2018** approved. Matters arising not on agenda: Drain at Waterfoot road ends (Dacre Parish) - some improvement but MM to contact Cllr David Whipp (also about drains from steamer pier to the bridge). **MM**
6. **Planning:**(MM is LDNPA Eastern Distinctive Area representative so does not vote)
 - MV/DD had attended a planning training event (Grove Town Planning) and confirmed that BPC procedure for dealing with planning applications was acceptable – the Clerk sends out the application to councillors for their response, with one follow up. If any major or controversial applications are received, the planning sub-committee (MV,DD,SB,JR) will hold a special meeting, advertised to the public.

7/2016/3175 – Crown Hotel – variation of conditions no.2 & 7 on planning approval ref: 7/2015/3159 relating to relocation of acoustic fence and addition of extract flues. BPC: Neutral. LDNPA:

7/2018/3093 – Ullswater Yacht Club – demolish existing clubhouse and erect new clubhouse and race box. BPC: Support (14.7.18.) **LDNPA: Approved with conditions.**

7/2018/3068 – Park Foot Holiday Park – extension to 1-5 Woodside Cottages, Park Foot. BPC: support. **LDNPA: Approved with conditions**

7/2018/3152 – Park Foot Holiday Park – proposed relocation of five static caravans (nos. 1,2,10,66,69) and provision of five additional static caravans on terraces. BPC: Support.

7/2018/3155 – Crown Hotel – formation of new landscape levels in existing beer garden (retrospective application). BPC: this was discussed as a written objection had been received from a parishioner, with a comment from another, and the planning sub-committee agreed to meet on Friday 16.11.18. 2pm at 1863 Bistro (inviting interested parties). Clerk to advertise meeting on notice board. Response required by 23.11.18.

7/2018/3162 – Seat Farm, Howtown – variation of conditions 2 (atrium roof) and 5 (windows) on planning application 7/2016/3164 (new dwelling). BPC: response required by 16.11.18.

7/2018/3173 – Thwaite Hill, Howtown – new entrance porch. BPC: Support. LDNPA:

7. County Council & Eden District Council Matters:

- Coach and Bus Schemes – phase 1 scheduled for Spring 2019. Consider funding for Phase 2 after completion.
- EDC Signature Project Grant Fund – too late for application and does not fit criteria (balustrades for new bridge).
- EDC Community Fund – pots of up to £10k or one off events to max of £5k. Possible events: Winter Droving, Christmas Market, Daffodil festival – may apply for lump sum to cover all? SB/MV to follow through. MV to speak to Kevin Beaty (leader of EDC) if required. Colin Hindle to report back to BPC on Ullverston Dickensian Christmas Market. **SB/MV**
- EDC Scrutiny Work Programme – (Repair toilets paddle operating system and Green Garden Waste Bins) – no response from EDC. MM to contact MS. **MM**

- EDC Community Governance Review – change of name of BPC – EDC legal team preparing orders by 7.9.18. – BPC awaiting instructions. Request info from MS. **MS**
- NH – request for 3 key priority concerns re CCC services do/could deliver – BPC felt main concerns were parking control in village and gully cleaning. **Clerk**
- CCC Highway maintenance activities – working with third party organisations in relation to highway maintenance, enabling third parties to work safely in a well-managed and co-ordinated manner. CCC developing agreements and key updates provided on webpage below. Any enquiries to be put through NH who will pass on.
<https://cumbria.gov.uk/yourcommunitysupport/workingtogether.asp>

8. EDC Devolution of Services –

- **Footway Lighting** – initial payment received from EDC. Awaiting LED conversion.
- **Public Toilets** – MM had on site meeting with Garry Atkinson (Property & Estates Manager EDC) 1.11.18. Email update received from GA 13.11.18. with confirmation BPC cannot legally install turnstiles. Possibility of contactless payment raised. BPC confirmed it will not take on toilets until payment system working correctly. EDC are proceeding with minor repairs, pruning the shrubs and tidying the site generally. EDC will commission a survey of the chestnut tree.

9. **Eusemere Lodge** – BPC withdrew objection to registration at Land Registry on basis that owner “remains willing to consider any reasonable and realistic offers to resolve these matters made by BPC at any time”. MM will monitor this and contact Mrs Bate once the LR have registered her title. MM has not received response from Land Registry to his email of 13.9.18. regarding title to the BPC land adjoining the bridge and will follow up. Burnetts Solicitors may be able to help. However, MM has received good scale plan ex LR. **MM**

10. Finance:

- Receipts: £605 EDC initial grant funding for footway lighting; recycling credit £125.29 (April-September 2018).
- Payments to approve: CALC £76 (Planning for new members course x 2); GeoXphere Ltd £36 (annual Parish Online fee). Designworks invoice received for 2 banners re bridge closure. BPC to pay (£124.80) and Ullswater Association to reimburse for half cost £62.40). New larger banner to be designed and paid for by Ullswater Steamers.
- Clerk pay review – agreed pay increase of £100 pa. Councillors wished to record their appreciation of the work done for the council on their behalf.
- JR attending to annual review of internal control and risk management. Clerk to forward BPC Financial Regulations to JR for info. **Clerk**
- St Michael’s Church repointing project update October 2018 received from Cyril Wilson.
- JR to prepare draft Budget for approval at Jan 19 meeting (2019-20) **JR/Clerk**
- Parish Elections May 2019 – recharges dependent upon contested or uncontested election. BPC have budgeted for either.
- Cheque signatories: 2.10.18. mandate amended; signatories now M MacInnes, D Dinham and M Vause (2 of 3 signatures required).
- FOUW: £1000 invoice from Charlotte Ruse paid. Balance of £500.71 in our current account. Update on legal structure of FOUW received and agreed. Aim to pay out all funds to FOUW before 5.4.19.

11. **NEW BRIDGE/FOOTBRIDGE:** MM reported on meeting with CCC Project Team. Design finished and costings (some minor differences between concept and actual design) – February 2019. Dunmallard Car Park to close June 19 with creation of 50 parking spaces at Waterfoot plus compound for engineers. Eusemere Car Park to close August 19. CCC investigating temporary car parks on village side of the river – Coulston field behind The Sun is a possibility. Target timing – May/June 19 enabling works. Bridge brought in 4 sections and second largest crane in UK to lift into place Jan/Feb 20. Temporary footbridge early August 19. Temporary bridge out September 19. Target opening of new bridge Easter 2020 (12 April). Plans for diverting traffic in hand (NH to keep an eye on this and ensure BPC see plans before they are finalised). Points raised: will there be provision for coach parking? Where will they close road on Waterfoot side? “Comms” group to be set up. No mention of sponsoring balustrades – MM/SB to email S. Hall, CCC. **MM/SB/NH**

12. Village/parish updates:

- **Public Toilets** – paddle system still not working.
- **Village Warden** – DD/Clerk to meet warden. He was on hand after last storm to clear tree on Eusemere Drive.
- **Recycling centre** – nothing to report.

- **Pooley Bridge Winter Droving event** – MV/SB were congratulated on their work in organising this event (with Eden Arts) which was a great success. Estimation of more than 2,000 attended and businesses reported a successful evening. Points raised for future event – earlier start and more stalls on field? LDNPA will provide funding of £1,000 (payable to BPC) to enable BPC to fund the event to Eden Arts.
- **Wall and fencing at Mains Farm** – owner not prepared to repair wall (farm up for sale). Possibility of footpath into village linked into wall? MM to contact owner with update. **Action:MM**
- **Speed control in village** – NH to request speed monitoring strips for entrance to village. **NH**

13. Website/Parish Online

- **Village newsletter/website** – Grapevine to continue bi-monthly. Possibility of incorporating Tirril Times to make newsletter to cover area Tirril to Martindale, printed and digital. SB/MM to meet Henry Pitt to discuss further. **MM/SB**
- **Website** – councillor photos required to update website.
- **Website** – new quote obtained by SB from Designworks, Kendal, to run website. Agreed in principle to move from Mintcake to Designworks. SB to report at January meeting on actual costs involved. MM asked SB to also report on her costs for running BPC website/PR work – to meet with MM to discuss further and report at Jan meeting.

14. **Barton Community Resilience Group** – DD kindly agreed to lead a Community Emergency Plan and report back with way forward.

15. New General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)

- Clerk attended CALC meeting on Thursday 13.9.18. – all in hand
- Councillors to sign individual Councillor Checklist and return to Clerk (DD and SB returned forms).
- Clerk amended BPC website front page re GDPR.

16. LDNPA matters:

- **Local Plan Review/Ullswater Showcase Area** – MM/MV/SB to meet Jim Lowther 4.12.18. to discuss plans for projects linking PB/Askham/Lowther.
- **ACT “World Heritage Status”** meeting 20.11.18. MM/MV/SB to attend.

17. Notifications/correspondence

- **Gulley Cleaning** – scheduled for week commencing 26th November – MV/DD to liaise with contractors. Clerk to try and obtain exact day/timings/contractors contact details etc.
- **CALC Annual Report 2018** (and minutes of 2017 AGM) available for councillors.
- **EDC Chairman’s Carol Service** – unfortunately no one available to attend.
- **CALC courses for new councillors** - next dates expected shortly.

18. **Dates of 2019 PC meetings:** 7pm on 8th January, 12th March, 14th May, 9th July, 10th September and 12th November.

G Mackey, Clerk to Barton Parish Council