

## Parish Council of Barton

### **MINUTES of meeting held Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at 7.00pm in Parkin Memorial Hall, Pooley Bridge**

Present: Miles MacInnes, David Wood, Cyril Wilson, David Armitage, and Clerk Jill Mackey.

In attendance: Neil Hughes, Mike Slee, Maureen Wilson, Claire Armitage, Trevor Smith and Paul Lewis.

1. **Apologies for absence:** none.
2. **Requests for dispensations –** none.
3. **Declaration of Interest –** none.
4. **Public Participation session:** discussed under agenda items.  
MM welcomed Paul Lewis of LSA Surveying Associates who gave a presentation for Ullswater Yacht Club on their proposed plans for a new Clubhouse, prior to submitting a formal planning application. Points discussed included lighting (downward), no pathway lighting, fabric and colour of outdoor canopy, car parking facilities (possible occasional use of part of Birkett field). The current planning restriction on campers will remain. The planning application will be submitted in the next 4-6 weeks and if passed work to commence in September. Overall expenditure in region of £1.4m, with finances sound as long as no future flooding (cannot currently get insurance). BPC happy in principle with plans as outlined subject to detailed planning application. Clerk to advise Mr Lewis.
5. **Minutes of last meeting held 14<sup>th</sup> November 2017** were accepted and signed as a true record.
6. **Planning:** (MM LDNPA Eastern Distinctive Area representative so does not vote)

**Hillcroft Holiday Park matter to include 3143/landscaping –** ongoing.

**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:

**7/2017/3018 – Crown Hotel –** formation of new landscape levels in existing beer gardens. BPC: Object. LDNPA: **Withdrawn by applicant. New application expected but nothing received. Clerk to progress.**

**7/2017/3063 – Granny Dowbekins Tea Rooms –** proposed conservatory, garden alterations. BPC: Support, following completion of flood risk report and assuming the solution to the river bank conditions from the earlier application maintains here. LDNPA: approved with conditions.

**7/2017/3130 – Park Foot Holiday Park –** extension to kitchen and covered takeaway server to clubhouse. BPC: Support. LDNPA:

**7/2017/3155 – Park Foot Holiday Park –** remove condition 1 (restrict use of building to occupants of Park Foot Caravan Site) from planning application 7/1990/3036 – erection of recreation building. BPC: Support. LDNPA:

**7/2017/3157 – Airwave Solutions Ltd –** 2 no. radio transmission dishes and a new equipment cabinet (access road to Roe Head). BPC: Support with proviso access to Hollinthaite is properly maintained and remains accessible. LDNPA:

#### **7. County Council Matters:**

- CCC ref: W171442711 (24.7.17.) – pedestrian safety on bridge  
This was discussed along with illegal parking on village side causing issues to pedestrian safety. NH to keep track of this matter. **Action: NH**
- CCC ref: W171432295 (21.3.17.) – Yellow lines/keep clear, Ullswater House
- Mabey bridge repairs (email 21.8.17).
- CCC ref: W171451129 (20.10.17.) – Roe Head Land damage by contractors.

8. **EDC Devolution of Services –** CW attended an ELAC workshop on 13.12.17. It has been agreed to take over the footway lighting and CW has copy of Agreement complete with plants and figures (one figure incorrect) – this was agreed (apart from incorrect figure) and Clerk/CW to respond before deadline date of 31.3.18. We will receive a street cleaning grant of £500 grant ex EDC to be paid from 1.4.18. **Action: CW/Clerk**

9. **Eusemere Lodge –** communication from our insurers considered and the situation is under review.

#### **10. Finance:**

- i. Receipts: none.
- ii. Payments approved: Wellers Hedley Solicitors – legal advice £240.00; Granny Dowbekin's Ltd – buffet for Footbridge Taskforce meeting with Rory Stewart £52.50; Joyce Robinson £31 – flowers/compost.
- iii. CW presented the Budget for 2018/19. which was unanimously approved.
- iv. Precept for 2018/19 was set at £4,000 – no change from last year.
- v. Auditors have been confirmed as PKF Littlejohn LLP. Confirmation from CALC/NALC of exemption of charge if income or expenditure (whichever is greater) under £25,000. Clerk has to apply online and print off the audit forms to then send hard copy. Auditors will be in touch before end of March.
- vi. EDC have been invoiced for £1,000 re public toilet money collection.
- vii. Clerk to apply for VAT refund in February – awaiting new reference number ex HMRC.

- viii. FOUW: Balance of £960.88 in BPC account. MM to flag up at next meeting what to do with monies currently held by BPC. **Action:MM**
- ix. Request for donation from Cumbria Children's Dyslexia Project considered but declined.

**11. NEW BRIDGE/FOOTBRIDGE:** MV sent report confirming W Coulston had agreed to allow use of the field behind the Sun Inn and Mr Hasell-McCosh had agreed access from Dunmallard side. Site meeting to be held 19.1.18. with LEP, CCC, EA, Planning, Pontoon Company etc., to agree method/means of progress.

**12. Village/parish updates:**

- **Public Toilets** – currently well maintained and still free of charge. Clerk has applied for annual £1,000 rebate. Ex EDC.
- **Village Warden (see also 16)** –has now taken over village centre cleaning and Eusemere Car Park cleaning. Letter to businesses to be sent out just before Easter.
- **Garden Waste Skip** – MS is still progressing individual green bins as he feels system is so unfair – ongoing with MS.
- **Street cleaning** – EDC had visited to look at leaf problem and the worst place was by the Post Office, where EDC have no access. Warden has been advised and is taking action.
- **Parish Notice Board** – Barton Church road end – Mr Fabi has kindly offered to remove on our behalf.
- **Recycling centre** – recycling credits are not guaranteed, and MS to check on payment reduction. **Action: MS**

**13. Parish Online update/Website & Communications Working Group (to include broadband)**

- **Installation of Broadband for village hall** – NALC grant application decision awaited but hopeful we will receive £432 applied for.

**14. Neighbourhood Watch Scheme/Barton Community Resilience Group** - CW tabled Report No.35: (1) 7 crimes reported September, October and November, making 25 in total for 2017 to date; (2) all other areas, no progress to report.

**15. Coach Parking** – nothing to report.

**16. LDNPA matters:**

- **Eastern Distinctive Area/Affordable Housing/NPA Local Plan Review** – “Ullswater Valley Plan” meeting to be held 1.2.18.
- **Litter Bin in Eusemere Car Park** – EDC have visited and commented on misuse of bin by residential households (blue bags in bin etc.). EDC are to put notice on bin “No Residential or Commercial Use – Litter Only” in the hope that this will alleviate some of the problem.
- **CLP review** – CW briefly summarised the Barton Community Led Plan Review, previously circulated. The period of the plan, 2014 - 2017, having now expired, it was agreed after discussion to integrate/prioritise outstanding items with those arising from the unfolding LDNPA Local Plan consultations, around March /April 2018.
- **Moor Divock Track** – BPC to respond to LDNPA that they are not aware of any regular use of the track by motor vehicles and understand that when vehicles did use it they have been told not to. BPC agree with the research and conclusions of Askham Parish Council and wholly support their response.

**17. Notifications/correspondence:**

- Eden Local Plan 2014-2032 Public Consultation for proposed further main modifications – comments by Wednesday 24.1.18.
- General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) (em from CALC 28.11.17). – 2 places booked on CALC course on 7.3.17.

**18. Dates of 2018 PC meetings: 7pm:** 13 March, 8 May (AGM), 10 July, 11 September, 13 November.

**G Mackey, Clerk to Barton Parish Council**