

Parish Council of Barton

MINUTES of meeting held Tuesday 12th March 2019 at 7.00pm in Parkin Memorial Hall, Pooley Bridge

Present: Miles MacInnes, Mark Vause, Daniel Dinham, Justin Ray and Clerk Jill Mackey.

In attendance: Cllr. Mike Slee, Kate Skillicorn and Megan Henderson, EDC, Suzy Hankin LDNPA and three members of the public.

The Chair welcomed guests and parishioners to the meeting. Mike Slee is retiring from his role as our representative on EDC and Miles thanked him on behalf of us all for his efforts on our behalf – his help and assistance have been greatly appreciated over the last 8 years and we wish him well.

1. **Apologies for absence:** Samantha Bunting, Cllr. Neil Hughes.
2. **Requests for dispensations** - none.
3. **Declaration of Interest** – none.
4. **Public Participation session: (attention drawn to Data Protection Policy Notice):**
 - Miles thanked Kate Skillicorn (EDC Policy & Projects Officer) and Megan Henderson (EDC Housing Research Officer) for coming along to give some insight into a Housing Survey for the parish, being 10 years since the last housing survey. Funding is available through Community Housing Fund and also national funding, which will cover costs of housing needs survey and support for BPC. A bespoke service is offer with tailor made questionnaire which can be processed quickly. Forms are posted and examples of Patterdale survey (done) and Dacre (in progress) were circulated. BPC agreed to move forward on this and EDC are to prepare a proposal and application form and forward to the Clerk. **Action: EDC**
5. **Minutes of last meeting held 8th January 2019** were approved. Matters arising:
 - Bin outside Crown - MV has spoken to Manager of Crown who is paying more attention to frontage of Crown. Clerk to respond to parishioner re litter bin emptying. **Action: Clerk**
 - Parking on kerb on High Street - MV to report at next meeting.
6. **Planning:** (MM is LDNPA Eastern Distinctive Area representative so does not vote)
 - **Review of current procedure re: applications** – after discussion it was decided BPC would take a more proactive approach and where deemed necessary meet with neighbours and have a site visit.
 - **Scale Drawing/plans** – It was noted that in some applications drawing are not to scale and plans inadequate, and BPC feel they should be true to what the application will actually look like. MM to progress with LDNPA. **Action: MM**

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:

7/2018/3155 – Crown Hotel – formation of new landscape levels in existing beer garden (retrospective application). BPC: Object. LDNPA: Refused. BPC to keep on agenda as possible new application to be submitted.

7/2018/3188 – Mains House – replacement front door. BPC: Support. LDNPA: Granted.

7/2019/3010 – Garden Cottage, Hole House Farm – erection of rear single storey sunroom extension. BPC: Support. LDNPA:

7/2019/3013 – 2 Fell Croft – Extension to dwelling: fill in car port under existing main roof structure and extend dwelling upon the front elevation. BPC: Support. LDNPA:

Miles welcomed neighbours of the property who explained their view of this application. MV/DD had a meeting with neighbours on 8.3.19. to discuss matters further, leading to a review of BPC planning procedure (see above). BPC have requested that this application go to the Planning Committee, which could be 3.4.19. Anyone wishing to attend was urged to contact the LDNPA to advise they wish to address the committee.

7/2019/3019 – Construction of replacement bridge and associated works. BPC: Support.

7/2019/3020 – Construction of replacement bridge and associated works – Listed building application. BPC: Support. BPC to write to Ben Long to advise support was given as a temporary footbridge was included in the application. As there may now be some uncertainty on the footbridge, BPC would like it to be a condition of the application that a temporary footbridge is provided. **Action: Clerk**

7/2019/3025 – Park Foot Holiday Park – variation of condition 2 to planning application 7/1988/3091 to allow the occupancy to be changed to 1 March of one year to 14 January the following year. BPC: Support. LDNPA:

7/2019/3032 – Kirkbarrow Tirril. Proposed extension of an agricultural building for housing newly calved cows and extension to existing farm workshop. BPC: LDNPA:

Potential Diversion of Bridleway 321014 and extinguishment of part of Footpath 321029 – Dunmallard Car Park – letter of 26.2.19. Nick Thorne, LDNPA. BPC felt this is a much better option than at present as well as being much safer. To request possibility of wheelchair friendly and could it be made permanent? **Action: Clerk**

7. County Council & Eden District Council Matters:

- Coach and Bus Schemes – CCC now in a position to award the contract and hopefully works to commence by the summer, working with replacement bridge project team.
- EDC Scrutiny Work Programme – **Public Toilets** (see 8). **Garden Waste Skips** – EDC to continue with service. BPC signed new agreement for 2019, pointing out to EDC that due to bridge/associated works the car park location at some point would be out of bounds. BPC looking at alternative sites and Clerk to approach Village Hall Committee re use of Hall/Church car park. **Action:Clerk**
- EDC Community Governance Review – EDC copy of Re-organisation of Community Governance Barton Order 2019 received. Barton and Pooley Bridge Parish Council title will be official from 1 April 2019.
- Eden Parish Priorities – Amy Frith em 11.1.19.re issues affecting communities in Eden – Councillors to consider EDC Council Plan (see below) before responding as these may be linked. Topics for consideration were garden waste bins/housing/Lowther link to Ullswater Way. **Action:All**
- Housing needs survey – BPC to progress (see point 4 above).
- CCC Working Together – implement service April 2019 onwards – Clerk to contact to ask what the next step is and we would like to discuss further with them. **Action:Clerk**
- 2nd May – Parish Elections – Clerk had attended EDC session on elections. Notice of election to be published 20.3.19. and nominations to be submitted by 3.4.19. by hand. As of 4.4.19. it will be known if election is contested or uncontested.
- EDC Draft Council Plan 2019-23 (emailed) – MV to complete and circulate to councillors (then response to Eden Parish Priorities to be drafted).

8. EDC Devolution of Services –

- **Footway Lighting** – footway lighting scheme out for tender, installation of new columns/heads next financial year. Unable to install new light at “Light No.1 outside Elder Howe” (sole use pole) – MV/DD to have a look at site and then BPC to respond to EDC. **Action: MV/DD/Clerk**
- **Public Toilets** – update from Garry Atkinson 14.1.19. Agreed to ask EDC to send draft agreement for approval on the understanding that BPC will not take over until a workable payment system has been installed. **Action: Clerk**

9. **Eusemere Lodge** MM reported that he had spoken to Mrs Bate’s solicitor who indicated that firstly she would agree to the locating of the temporary footbridge on her property and, secondly, was prepared to discuss a long term solution to the issue over the common land. Agreed that this would be better left until after the new bridge is completed.

10. Finance:

- i. Receipts: £1000 LDNPA (grant towards Winter Droving); £28.36 NSI interest. £250 (LDNPA grant re planning applications) – DD to investigate purchase of projector with this grant. **Action:DD**
- ii. Payments approved: Clerk remuneration October 18-March 19 £1350.00; Data Protection fee £40.00; Clerk’s expenses for year (gifts to C Wilson and D Armitage, gift for electrician, postage and paper) £89.65; Parkin Memorial Hall (hire of hall May 2018-March 2019) £30.00; Carl Scrivens Ltd £1740.00 (Village Warden cleaning 22.1.18.-25.3.19.); (see FOUW also). Another small invoice due from Minihan MacAllister.
- iii. Request from Barton Parochial Church Council for donation towards grass cutting/maintenance of churchyard – BPC unanimously agreed contribution of £350.00. **Action:Clerk**
- iv. Request from Ullswater Association for contribution of £1080 towards coverage of PB events/stories from a PR/social media perspective – deferred to May meeting.
- v. VAT refund: £202.92 claim submitted 28.2.19.
- vi. FOUW: Charlotte Ruse invoice £1000 to pay, leaving balance in BPC current account £0.71. to dispose of – to be put towards BPC admin costs. Request for Parish Trustee on FOUW was considered but although interest shown no one is currently available due to the ongoing efforts involved with the new Bridge scheme etc. Clerk to email Tim Clark (Chairman FOUW). **Action:Clerk**

11. NEW BRIDGE/FOOTBRIDGE:

- Drains – Mr Beer is anxious to speak with CCC and MM trying to arrange meeting.
- Community meeting held 16.1.19. and next meeting Wednesday 20.3.19.
- Footbridge/general update – worries were expressed over the possibility that the temporary footbridge may not now be provided. MM/MV had meeting with CCC/Stephen Hall. The possibility of a two hourly shuttle bus around the diversion was deemed totally unsuitable. Current possibilities are temporary footbridge next to current bridge or behind Sun Inn or next to Riverside, or possibly a ferry across to boathouse. CCC are preparing a report on alternatives etc and more information will be available then. MV to enquire about Liaison Officer to be stationed in the village during the bridge construction. Clerk to check with CCC/Eric Wright re: siting of Garden Waste Skip and Recycling Centre usage/access via Eusemere Car Park. **Action: MM/MV/Clerk**

12. Village/parish updates:

- **Village Warden** – DD/Clerk met Carl Scrivens late February – discussed work problems when bridge closed etc. Carl to liaise with DD nearer the time and access situation as it progresses.
- **Recycling centre** – believed access will be ok during bridge works.
- **Pooley Bridge Events** – possibly two main events – Winter Droving and Bridge Re-Opening. MM/MV/SB still looking for sponsors. **Action:MM/MV/SB**
- **Wall and fencing at Mains Farm** – in abeyance pending farm sale but keep on agenda.
- **Speed control in village** – 8th-21st April 2019
- **Parking problems Roe Head:** MM progressing and trying to get meeting with Nigel Butcher (CCC Highways).
- **Pooley Bridge Inn drainage problems** – complaint passed onto Management – drains cleared.
- **Access to field via Fell Croft** – complaint re farm access to field from neighbour, to monitor.

13. Website/Parish Online

- **Village newsletter/website** – SB progressing and update in May.
- **Website** – SB working with Dreamworks.

14. Barton Community Resilience Group – DD reported that he has relevant paperwork from Cyril Wilson and stressed need for volunteers. Appeal to go in Grapevine. **Action:Clerk/DD**

15. LDNPA matters:

- **Local Plan Review/Ullswater Showcase Area** – Suzy Hankin kindly gave a report on the progress of the Local Plan Review; MM had attended a meeting on 11.3.19. Draft Plan sections relating to BPC are Policy 10 Page 61; Suzy to send pages to Jill. Lowther Ullswater Way link to PB (walking and cycling) in progress – fingerposts being installed. Possibility of improved footpath links between Tirril and PB being considered subject to funding. Flood recovery footpath yet to do – Eusemere lakeshore – hope to tackle this summer.

16. Notifications/correspondence

- **Keep Britain Tidy** – Clerk to contact Joyce Robinson to organise village litter pick before Easter.
- **Tour of Cumbria Bike Ride 27.7.19.**
- **Eden Local Plan 2014-2032**
- **Lake District Macmillan Mighty Hike – Saturday 13.7.19. Ullswater Way, 1500 participants.**
- **EDC Tree Workshop Wednesday 10.4.19. 6.45 for 7.15pm**

17. Dates of 2019 PC meetings: 7pm on 14th May (AGM and Parish Meeting), 9th July, 10th September and 12th November.

G Mackey, Clerk to Barton Parish Council