

Parish Council of Barton

MINUTES of the meeting held TUESDAY 8 November 2016 at 7.00pm in Parkin Memorial Hall, Pooley Bridge

Present: Miles MacInnes, David Wood, Cyril Wilson, David Armitage, and Clerk Jill Mackey. Mark Vause had been delayed and apologised on his late arrival.

In attendance: Neil Hughes, Maureen Wilson, Claire Armitage, Trevor Smith.

- 1. Apologies for absence:** Mike Slee.
- 2. Requests for dispensations** – none.
- 3. Declaration of Interest** – none.
- 4. Public participation session:**
 - o Work being carried out over the bridge, including tree pruning, gully cleaning etc.
 - o Entry to village (triangle near Waterfoot corner) – parking problems on the triangle hampering Waterfoot footpath and this is an accident black spot. Clerk to contact Gary Strong (cc Dacre PC). Bollards were in place but had been removed. **Action: Clerk**
 - o Noise of bridge is annoying (and vibrations also affect lighting column. Clerk to contact David Spence CCC. **Action: Clerk**
 - o The torch-lit procession and bonfire/entertainments had been a great success!
- 5. Minutes of last meeting held 13 September 2016** were approved as a true record.. Matters arising not on agenda:
 - **Recycling centre** – meeting Tuesday 8.11.16. between CW/DA/Clerk and Paul Emmerson of EDC. Paul was very helpful and will arrange for the cleaning of bins, cleaning of site, placement of recycling sign in more prominent position. He also agreed to contact his colleague, Tina Mason, about the garden recycling skip (BPC would like a larger skip, appropriate signage and our preferred option of individual garden refuse bins).
- 6. Planning:** (MM LDNPA Eastern Distinctive Area representative so does not vote)
Hillcroft Holiday Park matter to include 7/2014/3167(was 5827) and 3143. BPC: support. LDNPA Refusal of Consent to Application. Appeal submitted. Appeal ref APP/Q9495/W/15/3049272 allowed 16.10.15. LDNPA to monitor. Letter of acceptance of schedule re landscape details from LDNPA 14.12.15. BPC letter re 3143 to LDNPA.
7/2016/3040 – Granny Dowbekins/Hunter’s Cottage, Pooley Bridge. Conversion of ground floor of Hunter’s Cottage to cafe, alteration of first floor to one bed apartment, garden alterations. BPC: neutral with recommendations. LDNPA: awaiting determination.
7/2016/3095 – Waterside House, Howtown Road, Pooley Bridge – BPC: Support. LDNPA: Approved.
7/2016/3103 – Land at Roe Head, Pooley Bridge – BPC: Support. LDNPA: Refused.
7/2016/3116 – Hillcroft Holiday Park, Pooley Bridge – BPC: Object. LDNPA: Approved.
7/2016/3124 – Crown Hotel – Amend condition 2 (design/layout) and remove condition 7 (acoustic attenuation fencing) on approval ref 7/2016/3159. BPC: support. LDNPA: Refused.
7/2016/3134 – Crown Hotel – 3 fascia signs, 1 hanging sign and 4 other signs. BPC: No response. LDNPA:
7/2016/3148 – Park Foot – 19 electrical hook up points; replacement windows and doors to club house recreational area; underground garage and storage adjacent to underground dwelling. BPC: Support. LDNPA:
Eusemere Lodge – Common Land CL131 belonging to BPC. Letter received from Commons Registry asking if BPC wished them to contact the owners of Eusemere Lodge. BPC agreed to this. Clerk to obtain final account from GKM Solicitors for their work on this matter. **Action: Clerk**
- 7. Finance:**
 - i. Receipts: EDC re public toilets 2015-16 £1000. Recycling credit £145.73 April-September 2016. Transparency Funding grant approved £1194.70. Clerk to apply to EDC in January 2017 for public toilet rebate for 2016/17.
 - ii. Payments: (see item 20 – Red Squirrel Group).
 - iii. FOUW: Receipt and payment £1600. Receipt o/s £236.33. £1000 grant from LDNPA approved and £1000 invoice from Pip Hall awaiting payment.
 - iv. Draft budget for 2017/18 was considered (to be approved at January meeting).
- 8. BRIDGE:** Jonathon Smith has retired from CCC (mid October) and Stephen Hall, Assistant Director, has taken over from him in connection with the replacement bridge. A meeting is to take place shortly and the Prince’s Foundation still want to be involved.
- 9. Public Toilets update:** income so far this financial year of £3673.95.
- 10. Parish Online update/Website & Communications Working Group (to include broadband)**
 - **Broadband** – Phil Ruston met with members of BPC to kindly offer very helpful advice on broadband. Phil also wishes to hold a Digital Inclusion Event for Barton and Martindale parishes and the dates of 16th or 17th January 2017 were suggested. Clerk to contact Phil to confirm. **Action: Clerk**
 - **Website Training:** MM/DW require training from Clerk **Action: Clerk/MM/DW**
 - **Website:** MV/Sam Bunting to look at website and refresh/update. **Action: MV**
- 11. Transparency Funding** – grant has been approved and payment to be received shortly (see 7).
- 12. Village signs and notices (CLP)**
 - Signs for High Street – Amanda Ward EDC ongoing – MS progressing on our behalf. **Action: Clerk/MS**
- 13. Neighbourhood Watch Scheme** – CW tabled report no.28: (1) crime level in 2016 now two ahead of 2015, the first reverse in 6 years; (2) Barton Community Resilience Group currently in discussion with EDC re: sandbag provision; (3) Public Access Defibrillator, currently out with Emergency Service register now subject to manufacturer’s malfunction checks; (4) potential for CCTV coverage in village discussed with Police and civilian sources (further research prior to community consultation); (5) community volunteer help would be appreciated in all areas of NW including Flood Defence, SpeedWatch and FarmWatch. **Action: DA/CW**

- 14. UVP/Affordable Housing** – no further meetings to date, but issues are being raised during LDNPA consultation on Local Plan, Land Allocations and HPSPD (Housing Provision Supplementary Planning Document).
- 15. Heat Network Feasibility Study** – nothing to report.
- 16. Village Warden** – drawing up the appropriate terms of engagement of a Village Warden had been delayed following examination of the difficulties experienced under the terms of the previous Warden. It was agreed to advertise for a new Warden (on a less integrated role) as well as putting the new conditions to individuals who have already expressed an interest. **Action: CW/DW/Clerk**
- 17. See More Cumbria and the Lakes** – CW confirmed the release for public examination of the Pooley Bridge Coach Study. To see the report online a link can be obtained from BPC and a printed copy will be available for inspection in the Post Office. A meeting has been arranged for 5th December 2pm in Parkin Memorial Hall to discuss the Coach Parking Study/funding issues etc. (Paul Marriott, BPC, NH/MS/Jim Walker). MM to also invite Suzy Hankin, Gary Strong, Dacre Parish Council representative, Judith Derbyshire. Members of BPC to look at plan and discuss prior to the meeting. **Action: MM/All BPC**
- 18. Ullswater Way Heritage Trail** – meeting in December, one year into the project. Completed projects include stone sheep shelter on Barton Fell and poetry stones in Hallin Wood (part completed), with the Clarkson Memorial at Eusemere lake ongoing.
- 19. LDNPA outstanding matters:**
- **Local Plan Review:** BPC to discuss and let Clerk have comments for official submission to Paula Allen (email comments by **6.12.16.**). **Action: All/Clerk**
 - **Consultation on Housing Provision Supplementary Planning Document** – this particular consultation was “on the following text and not the whole SPD” – and concerns the approach of the LDNPA to developers, with SPD interpretation and advice. Agreed no issues for BPC input.
 - **LDNPA Parish Forum meeting 10.10.16.** – this meeting was cancelled (see item 20), but MM to raise subject of dustbins with LDNPA. **Action: MM**
 - **LDNPA** to collect an information panel from CW (Pinfold) on 15.11.16.
- 20. Notifications/correspondence:**
- **Parish Infrastructure Survey** – response of BPC sent 21.10.16.
 - **EDC Sandbag Policy** (see 13).
 - **Red Squirrel Group** – request for funding considered and a donation of £100 to be sent from BPC.
 - **Bampton PCC** – request for help in bringing attention to their fundraising for 6 new bells at St Patrick’s Church Bampton by trying to sell 1000 copies of Alfred Wainwright’s Westmorland Heritage book. BPC to assist and possibly put on BPC website. **Action: All/Clerk**
 - **CALC email re Emergency Plans for Parishes** – noted.
 - **CALC email re parish forum format** – BPC to respond. There is frustration from parishes that nothing seems to happen as a result of the forum meetings, being more of a “talking shop” with no action. It is felt that more positive action would result in more attendance and interest.
- 21. Proposed dates of 2017 BPC meetings: 7pm: 10 January, 14 March, 9 May (AGM), 11 July, 12 September, 14 November.**

G Mackey, Clerk to Barton Parish