

# Kirkby Ireleth Parish Council

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## High Furness Local Area Partnership

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2011

Braithwaite Hall, Far Sawrey

### Questions:

- 1) Where is Braithwaite Hall, Far Sawrey?
- 2) How do you get there?
- 3) What is a 'doodle' and how do you get one?

See answers at the end.

I attended the preliminary meetings as the LAP was being set up and attended this one as your representative and will attend others as and when they meet.

All of the Parishes were represented except for Egton who wished, and were granted, permission to move to Ulverston. (On the basis of this meeting I don't blame them!) There were three officers, one taking minutes and two giving advice, (also drinking soft drinks from bottles all night), Mr. K. Masser CCC Highways Engineer, one County Councillor and three District Councillors. (If this is wrong Joss will be able to put me right).

I estimate the cost of this meeting to be about £500.00!!

It started at 7.00 p.m. and I did not get home until 10. 15 p.m.

### The Agenda:

- 1) Parish Councils are to fund the expenses of the representatives attending the meetings.
- 2) An update from Mr. Masser who told us how good the pot hole repairing and patching was going on. He asked for notice of any urgent repairs to be sent to him and they would be dealt with as soon as possible. He also asked for ideas for improvement in Parishes' areas. (I wonder if he knows about Grizebeck?) And he said the 'Hotline' was changing, which is good isn't it?
- 3) No need to update the Parish Plan! The next best thing is "Neighbourhood Planning". Get together with your neighbour and start planning. More details later but if you are in the National Park they have done it and as Joss said, "I've never heard so much hot air."
- 4) LAP funding for 2011, to be spent or committed by April 2011, will be £13,500! Parish Councils were asked to submit ideas as to how this money will be spent. They gave me a form that I cannot understand so I contacted one of the officials who said "Just send me the details". So on your behalf and as no one else put forward any suggestions I have sent them the following:
  - a) *all of the money to be divided amongst the Councils according to the number of inhabitants so that it can be spent fairly by each PC (K I have a number of projects that they just cannot afford among them rebuilding a slate wall that bounds its new car park at Soutergate)*
  - b) *decorative planters (about six each)*

- c) contributions to parishes for verge and grass cutting*
- d) planting of trees throughout the area*
- e) contribution for costs of street lighting*
- f) contributions to parish rooms for maintenance*
- g) help with coastal flooding*
- h) renewing sight line fences throughout the roads in the LAP area*

- 5) There were quite a lot of other matters discussed none of which had any bearing upon us. Joss tried to highlight our area but was told it was time to move on or that it was not relevant.
- 6) We were all promised a 'doodle'!

I escaped at 9.30 p.m.

**Answers:**

- 1) Braithwaite Hall, is just passed the pub in Far Sawrey.
- 2) To get there I had to travel:  
to Coniston to Hawkeshead, to Near Sawrey and then to Far Sawrey a distance of 24 miles. *The two officers had come from Barrow.*
- 3) A 'doodle' is an electronic meeting request this is usually sent to representatives by e-mail.  
So now you know.