

Kirkby Ireleth Parish Council

Chairwoman: Mrs. D. Greenway, 2 Mill View, Beckside, Kirkby-in-Furness , Cumbria

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council Held on Thursday 19th May 2011 in Kirkby Village Hall

- 1) **Apologies for Absence**
Apologies were received from Cllr. M. Slinger and I. Cragg
- 2) **Present**
Cllrs. D. Greenway, H.R. Saunders, M. McPherson, F. Wayles, W. Todd, C. Anderson, M. Jackson and M. Irving
Dist. Cllr. J. Curwen
County Cllr. Claire Salisbury (Part time)
PC Paul Kelly (Part time)
8 members of the public
- 3) **Election of Chairman**
It was proposed by Cllr. Wayles that Cllr. Greenway remain in Office. There being no other nominations, Cllr. Dora Greenway was unanimously elected Chairwoman for the ensuing year.
- 4) **Election of Vice-Chairman**
The Clerk advised the Council that the current Vice Chairman, Cllr. Michael Slinger, was unfortunately absent working abroad for a short while. In the absence of any other nominations, the Council was resolved to defer the appointment until Cllr. Slinger returned.
- 5) **Declarations of Acceptance of Office**
A Declaration was completed by Cllr. D. Greenway, and witnessed by the Clerk
- 6) **Election of Representatives to other bodies and committees.**
The Council was advised by the Clerk that all representatives would require re election in this the Parish Council Election year, in line with a previous decision. Following a proposal by Cllr. Wayles that the current representatives remain in office until the next period of election, there was unanimous agreement. The Clerk undertook to produce a reference list of representatives to bodies and committees.
- 7) **Declaration of Interests**
Cllr. W. Todd expressed an interest in item 17.
- 8) **Open Forum**
The Chairwoman invited members of the public to address the Council:
Mr. Roger Rushton expressed the opinion that another housing needs survey was required. The Clerk informed him that SLDC were about to carry out such a survey.

Mr. David Anderson spoke of the Sandside Lane /A595 junction. He believed it to be dangerous and requiring a 'traffic mirror'. Cllr. Salisbury believed planning permission was required, but both the Clerk and Cllr. Curwen advised that this was not the case, and an approach should be made to the Highways Department. Mr. Anderson also spoke of the land alongside the A595 at Chapels, which had recently been planted with saplings, he believed there was a need for maintenance of this area to keep it neat and tidy. Cllr. McPherson undertook to organise grass cutting.

County Cllr. Salisbury spoke of recent changes to personnel within the County organisation, in particular, Karen Johnson who has become the new area support manager, and Keith Masser in a much wider role with the responsibility for both transport and highways. Cllr. Salisbury also spoke of the 511 bus service which had

recently been cancelled. Funding has been found to operate a limited service between Broughton and Ulverston.

- 9) **Minutes from the previous meeting**
The minutes of the previous meeting held on Thursday 21st April 2011 were approved and signed.
- 10) **Parish Plan**
There were no reports from Parish Plan Groups
Following her co-option to the Parish Council, Mrs Barbara Copley was appointed as the Council representative to the Coastal Flooding Group.
- 11) **Matters Arising not on the Agenda**
The Clerk informed the Council of matters arising from correspondence received, In particular that relating to the need for an additional bus stop. A site meeting had taken place with the Police, Highways and Stagecoach, and the position identified. Residents in the chosen location had been informed. This had prompted comment and a letter expressing concern. In discussion of the situation Cllr. McPherson spoke of the need to acknowledge these concerns by ensuring Highways tarmac the roadside area, and clearly mark on the road the location for buses to stop.
- 12) **Police, Traffic, A595 & Highways**
Police Report Prior to the commencement of the APM and of this meeting, PC Kelly gave an overview of current crime activity in rural areas, and in response to questions from Cllr. Curwen, emphasised the need to be vigilant in relation to scrap metals, particularly lead from roofs, and the theft of heating oils.
(a) A595 matters There were no new reports of A595 problems in this area
(b) Hotline Reports Cllr. Saunders advised of a pothole at the junction of Buckhorn Lane and the A5092. It was also requested the pothole in Becksid main street be reported again
(c) Hotline Progress The Clerk noted considerable improvement in the progress report this period
- 13) **Miscellaneous Matters**
The Clerk requested that the Council state its position in the matter of the Land Allocation consultation submitted by both the Council and a group of residents opposed to the Council's submission. Following general discussion, the Council were resolved to acknowledge the residents submission, but to restate its own preferred solution.
- 14) **Statutory Requirements**
The Clerk reminded the Council of the need to co-opt for the vacant position on the Lower Quarter Ward. Cllr. Wayles proposed Mrs. Barbara Copley for this position. Mrs. Copley being present, was elected by a unanimous decision, and completed a 'Declaration of Acceptance' witnessed by the Clerk.
- 15) **CGP Kirkby Ireleth Parish Council Trust Fund**
Cllr. McPherson spoke of a recent trust meeting, and of the amounts awarded:
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| Grizebeck Village Hall | £2000 for flooring of new hall |
| Friends of Burlington School | £350 for costs of Ceilidh at the Gala |
| An individual | £250 for costs associated with volunteer project in Bengal |
| Kirkby Community Centre | £358 for hire of marquee for gala |
| | £200 for sponsorship of fell races |
| | £400 towards provision of seats |
| | £500 for provision of display boards for public use |
| Cycleways & Footpaths Group | £233 for insurance costs |
| Grizebeck Flower Guild | £100 towards transport costs of visit |

16) Accounts

- (a) The monthly financial report for April 2011 was presented by the Clerk and approved for circulation.
- (b) The Clerk gave further details of the new PAYE requirements, and of the arrangements made for running the system. He proposed payment to HMRC be made quarterly, rather than monthly. His latest salary payments reflect this taxation.
- (c) The Clerks salary of £200 for the month of April and May, and expenses of £73.85 for the month of May 2011 were approved for payment.
- (d) The sum of £35.64 was approved for payment to E.ON being electricity supply during February to April 2011 inclusive.
- (e) The payment of £487.08 to Zurich Insurance for the year 2011/2012 was approved
- (f) The payment of £25 being affiliation fee to Cumbria Playing Fields Association was approved
- (g) The first payment of £230 to David Cooper for grass cutting was approved.

17) Planning

The following planning notification was received by the Council:

LDNP 7/2011/5111 Eller Mire Farm, Grizebeck
Part demolish, alter & extend existing residence

The Parish Council has 'No Objections' to this application

18) Correspondence

The following correspondence was received for circulation to Councillors:

CALC	May circular
	Association minutes and notification of meeting 9 th June
CCC	Local News & Views circular
NALC	Localism Bill update
LDNP	Letter re 'contacts' and parish tours
Friends of Lake District	Message re zip wire proposal
Network Rail	Letter re improvement works to Kirkby Pool bridge
Clerks & Councils	May magazine

19) Councillor's Reports

Dist Cllr. J. Curwen Thanked those members of the Council who had voted for him at the recent elections. He spoke of the problem of the Community Centre being doubled booked whilst being used as a Polling Station. This must not be allowed to happen again. He advised that an investigation was being carried out as to why grass cuttings are getting in to the culvert at Chaples

Cllr. M. Irving Inquired as to when drainage work is to be carried at Chaples. A visitor had recently tripped over the sand bags. Cllr. Curwen stated it was supposed to have been completed.

Cllr. H. R. Saunders noted that one of the new road signs on the A5092 appeared to show the road curving in the wrong direction.

Cllr. McPherson Spoke of the tree pruning required in Burlington Close, this would now have to be done by the Local Authorities. He also spoke of equipment available for use, such as gazebos, for which a small charge would be made. He also noted that temporary Notice Boards are available from the Community Centre.

Cllr. F. Wayles observed that road side trees between Soutergate and Kirkby are in serious danger of falling.

Cllr. C. Anderson Spoke of the problem of Estate Agents signs being tied to Footpath and Road warning signs, and in many cases obscuring them. The Council were of the

opinion Estate Agents can be ordered to remove them from locations considered dangerous or obstructive. These Agents should be contacted to remove them.

20) Deferred Matters

The Chairman reviewed deferred agenda items. There were no changes.

21) Date of next meeting

Thursday 16th June 2011 in Kirkby Village Hall at 7.0pm