

## **KIRKOSWALD PARISH COUNCIL**

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### **Ordinary Meeting of Kirkoswald Parish Council held at 7.30pm on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July, 2015 in Kirkoswald Church Institute.**

**PUBLIC OPEN MEETING** (15 Mins): Members of the public can address the Council on any issues that they wish to draw to their attention. Afterwards, they cannot interject in the meeting.

<b><u>Present:</u></b>	Mrs S Quinn (Chair)	Mrs J Tea (Vice Chair)	Mr J Haugh
	Mr N Jackson	Mr R Cranston	Mr A Jackson
	Mr R Pickthall	Mr R Blenkarn	Mr J R Raine
	Mrs R Lytollis (Clerk)	Mr B Smythe (Broadband Representative)	
	County & District Cllr Robinson		

### **MINUTES**

1. **To receive any declarations of interest**- None
2. **To receive apologies**- Mr J R Raine
3. **Minutes:** It was resolved to authorise the Chair to sign the minutes of the ordinary meeting held on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June, 2015 as a true record (proposed by Mrs J Tea, seconded by Mr A Jackson, unanimous vote).
4. **To discuss any matters arising from minutes of previous meetings**
  - Minutes point 15- should have read Mr N Jackson and not Mr J Haugh.
  - It was noted that some residents had put an inaccurate sign up regarding a parking warning. This has now been rectified.
5. **To co-opt new councillors**- There had been two applications for co-option. It was resolved to co-opt Mrs I Henderson to fill the vacancy in Kirkoswald ward and Mr J Little to represent Renwick ward (proposed by Mrs J Tea, seconded by Mr A Jackson, unanimous vote).
6. **To receive an update on high speed broadband in the county**- Mr B Smythe reported the BT project grinds on slowly. The expected end of June date for the switch on of the cabinet in Kirkoswald has moved on to the end of September. There is a caveat on date however suggesting that it might actually be the end of December before it goes live. It was acknowledged that this is particularly irritating for Londale Network Services as residents are waiting for BT but are not yet getting a service. It has been announced that the Phase 2 funding in this area will help Gamblesby, but no where in the parish itself. Mr Smythe said that work won't start on Phase 2 until the end of September. Councillors were pleased to hear that by the end of the year there should be a service for residents within 1 mile of the cabinet at the bridge at the bottom of Kirkoswald village and Lonsdale Network Services covers Renwick.

Consultation is currently underway for Phase 3 with it beginning in 2019/ 2020. There will be funding available for individual properties. It was noted that 24000 premises won't have high speed broadband by the end of this year. Of particular concern however is that most other district councils in Cumbria will have a better penetration than Eden has. Mr Smythe said that he and a group of others, including Cllr Gordon Nicolson are to meet with Rory Stewart MP prior to the tender process beginning. More information should be available in September. Councillors thanked Mr Smythe for his hard work.

7. **To discuss signposts in the Parish-** Mrs S Quinn reported that she had received a note from technician, Julian promising that of the nine traditional cast iron Cumberland County Council signs, seven will be refurbished this year. The Clerk reported that she is looking into making applications for further funding. Mr J R Raine and Mrs S Quinn agreed to meet with another company to get a comparative quote.
8. **To discuss footway lights-** Mrs S Quinn reported of the 26 footway lights in Kirkoswald it has been agreed to keep 9 of them, the decision on 7 others is pending and 10 are to go. County & District Cllr Robinson said that the removal of footway lights is causing problems everywhere at present. Councillors agreed that there needs to be a lit route up through the village, linking areas such as the school, chapel and shop. Cllr Robinson said that the parish council had grounds for complaint for the some of the lights suggested for removal. It was noted that the light at High Bankhill is still on- it has been on permanently for at least the last year. Mr J R Raine reported that two lights have been removed from Renwick and one from High Bankhill. It was agreed to object to the removal of the light outside the primary school and ask when decision will be made on those listed as pending.
9. **To discuss the painting of benches and railings-** Mr N Jackson reported that he has bought the paint, brushes and thinners and Mr Bob Parker is to do the work as soon as possible. Mr N Jackson said that has painted the bench that is going in down near the bungalows and it will be installed shortly. Mrs J Tea volunteered to do benches in Renwick. Mr N Jackson agreed to report on progress at the September meeting.
10. **To discuss the Tour of Britain cycle event-** Maps and timings are now available for the event. It was noted that the main road (B6413) will be closed with a rolling closure. Grant money is available for each community to organise local events on the day. Fellside Ladies are looking to knit some bunting for the event and position yellow bicycles around the parish. Advice regarding parking is expected shortly. It was agreed that it is up to the community to take events forward but it was agreed to publicise the extraordinary parish council meeting in August which will include the race on it's agenda.
11. **To receive any updates on the Community Led Plan and councillor led areas**
  - Footpath towards Eden Bridge- Councillors agreed that they were happy with the letter that Mrs S Quinn and the sub-committee had composed. It was reported that the insurers have confirmed that the current policy would cover liability without a fence. It has been confirmed that reprofiling and drainage work will go ahead during this financial year, with the drainage work being carried out in October 2015. It was acknowledged that they can't guarantee that this will dry the field. Mrs S Quinn said that she had spoken to XXXX who had been involved with the footpath up the beck. They are very enthusiastic to be involved if possible as the previous project had been so good. Funding is available from them with a minimum grant of £2000. An information pack is being sent to Mrs S Quinn. An application for funding needs to be submitted by the 1<sup>st</sup> September with a decision expected by early November. It was agreed to put together a proposal incorporating kissing gates, breast wire and hard core on very wet bits if the drainage work hasn't dried it. It was noted that the path would be a 'permissive' path and a number of signs would be positioned along its route. Mr R Cranston pointed out that the parish council insurance policy premium may increase if the gates etc. have to be added to the

sum insured. Mr J R Raine reminded councillors that there are three major sales at Lazonby Auction Mart. during the period suggested (30<sup>th</sup> September, 14<sup>th</sup> October and 28<sup>th</sup> October) and it was agreed to notify John Banks (Highways Dept.) of these for scheduling work as it would be particularly busy. It was agreed to check that barbed breast wire can be used near a footpath. Finally it was resolved to send the letter to land agent Charles Baker.

**12. To receive a report from County & District Cllr Robinson**

County & District Cllr Robinson said that there was little to report at present as most committees are in abeyance over the summer.

**13. To consider any Police issues arising-** It was reported that a number of sheep were stolen from a field near Armathwaite yesterday.

**14. To discuss issues relating to Cumbria in Bloom & Britain in Bloom**

- To set Boon Night dates

Mrs S Quinn reported that Cumbria In Bloom judging takes place tomorrow and a group of volunteers had gone out last night to check that everything is ready for the judges' visit. The Britain in Bloom judging takes place on 10<sup>th</sup> August and it was agreed to hold a Boon Night (to sweep and collect any litter) on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> August. County & District Cllr Robinson agreed to try to organise for a road sweeper to come through the village before the judges' visit. Mrs S Quinn said that she had just walked the route and everything is looking good. She will give a presentation to the judges prior to tour of the village and will give them tea and cake afterwards. The Cumbria In Bloom results are out in September. Mrs S Quinn said that the same route will be followed for Britain In Bloom. Mrs S Quinn expressed her thanks to everyone who has gone out and helped tidy and plant the village.

**15. To receive the Highwayman's Report and discuss matters related to Highway**

Mr J R Raine reported:

- Most of the potholes have been filled in. It was noted that two potholes have appeared on the road up from Staffield to Kirkoswald. John Banks (Highways Dept.) is going to provide Mr J R Raine with a map on which to identify the position of potholes.
- There is a rolling programme of taring underway.
- More budget is being made available as roads are in a bad state.
- Work on the Gamblesby to Alston road is in progress as the Tour of Britain cycle event is going that way.
- It was noted that the lights are largely working properly but councillors wondered what the new piece of equipment attached to the top of the traffic lights was.
- Cobble- It was agreed that they need to be redone at the top of the street in Kirkoswald as some have been dislodged. The Clerk reported that she has spoken to the Land Registry who have confirmed that Cumbria County Council own the cobbled areas as part of the highway. The Clerk has applied to get a copy of the title register document.
- Parking near bungalows in Kirkoswald- the sign which had been installed has been removed.
- Water running off field near Mains Farm- It was agreed that it looks to be a mains drain running. It was suggested that it might be coming from a hut in the woods above and councillors were pleased that it appears to be clean water. It was agreed that the Clerk notify Highways Dept. as they were concerned that there is potential for it to undermine the road.
- It was agreed that Mrs S Quinn and Mr J R Raine arrange another meeting with David Spence and John Banks to cover a number of matters.
- It was noted that the kerb opposite the chapel in Kirkoswald is still rocking (outside Holly Cottage entrance) and it was agreed that the Clerk report this.

**16. To receive the Financial Report**

- The Clerk ensured that all councillors had a copy of the monthly cash flow spreadsheet. These were checked to bank statements.
- To make payments of bills  
It was resolved to make the following payments (proposed by Mrs J Tea, seconded by Mr A Jackson, unanimous vote):

Spoil		(Chqs: 100906/7/9)
Clerk's Salary (August)	£248.30	(Chq: 100908)
Clerk's Salary & Expenses (July)	£344.98	(Chq: 100910)

**17. To consider any planning applications made and related matters**

- Property at Viol Moor- Mrs S Quinn reported that Mr Daniel Addis (Planning Dept.) has not yet come back to her with an update. Mrs S Quinn agreed to email Mr Addis and ask for a response before the August extraordinary meeting.
- 15/0576 Mr & Mrs Hitch, Oswald House, Kirkoswald, Penrith CA10 1DQ- No comments (proposed by Mr R Pickthall, seconded by Mr J Haugh, unanimous vote).

**18. To receive decisions on planning applications made**

- 15/0411 Mr D Noble, 10A Roods Drive, Kirkoswald, Penrith CA10 1EH- Granted

**19. To consider correspondence received**- The Chair read through the correspondence received.

**20. To receive Councillors' reports and items for future agendas**

Extraordinary Meeting (August)

- Footpath to Eden Bridge
- Tour of Britain cycle event
- Planning applications received
- Dialogue- comments

September agenda

- Gritting

**21. Date of the next meeting**- Extraordinary meeting- 7.30pm on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> August, 2015 in Kirkoswald Church Institute (limited agenda only)

Signed: *R. E. Lytollis*

Clerk to Kirkoswald Parish Council

Date: 14/07/2015

Meeting closed 9.00 pm