

## **MINUTES OF URSWICK PARISH COUNCIL**

**From the meeting held on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2013**

**Stainton Recreation Hall, 7.30pm**

**Present:** Cllr. J. Keen (Chairman), Cllr. N. Cowsill, Cllr. G. James, Cllr. J. Kilty, Cllr. J. O'Donovan, Cllr. D. Westfield, Dr. P. Attree (Clerk).

District/County councillors: Cllrs C. Airey, D. Airey & J. Willis.

Members of the public – 1.

**1. Apologies for absence**

Cllr. J. Winder.

**RESOLVED: that the apologies be noted and the reasons noted.**

**2. Declarations of interests**

Cllr. D. Westfield declared an interest in item 9a (SL/2013/1052), Cllr.

G. James declared an interest in item 9b (SL/2013/0704).

**3. Requests for dispensations**

None.

**4. To authorise the chairman to sign as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2013.**

**RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup>**

**November 2013 be signed by the Chairman as a true record.**

**5. To note progress on matters not on today's agenda – for report and observation only** (items requiring a decision to be placed on agenda of next meeting).

Cllr. G. James reported on a 'meet and greet' session that he attended for 'Better Highways'. He also drew councillors' attention to the new structure for delivery of highway services.

The Clerk reported on the following:

- Application to Camping and Caravan Club for Certificated Site at Llawn Roc, Bardsea – the Club have decided not to proceed with the application.
- Parish Salt Scheme will only be delivered in severe weather – sites for delivery confirmed.
- Police follow up on reported parking problems in Bardsea – they are satisfied that no obstruction exists.

*Draft minutes to be confirmed at the next meeting*

6. **Public Forum: Questions, comments or concerns from any local resident.** NB. The Council may wish to consider a matter in more detail at a later date before making a full response.  
None.
7. **Report from Police on any matters of local concern and/or interest to Councillors and residents (for information only).**  
The Clerk read a report from PCSO Paul Harris concerning a Speed Indicator device (SID) deployed in Church Road, Urswick from 6<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> December. From a total vehicle count of 2882 vehicles, the 85<sup>th</sup> percentile was 32mph. The highest recorded speed was 55mph. The data has been passed for consideration at the next CRASH meeting. Cllr. G. James requested that a further breakdown of recorded speeds be obtained.  
**Action: Clerk to action.**
8. **Reports from District and County Councillors on matters of interest to Councillors and residents (for information only).**  
Cllr. J. Willis reported that a pothole adjacent to Little Urswick Green has been partly filled (it was not possible to completely fill due to an obstruction). A cherry tree whose roots were reported to be obstructing a pavement in Church Road, Great Urswick has been inspected and was not thought to present a danger to pedestrians. Cllr. J. Airey requested that county councillors should be copied into any complaints to the Highways Hotline.
9. **a) To consider/confirm the Council's response to the following planning applications:**  
SL/2013/1052: Hollandia, Great Urswick, porch/sun room extension to front.  
The Parish Council's objections to the application were confirmed. The Clerk noted a letter received from the applicant's agent, which had been circulated to councillors.  
  
SL/2013/1119: The Kiosk, Coast Road, Bardsea, demolition of ice cream kiosk and erection of replacement kiosk.  
No objections.  
  
SL/2013/1137: Land at Bardsea Business Park, Cooper Lane, Bardsea, change of use of land from class B2 (general industrial) to class B8 (storage).  
No objections, but residents' concerns about the view of the caravans from Main Street to be noted.

**b) To note decisions on the following applications:**

SL/2013/0704: Land adjacent to Daisy Hill Cottage, Great Urswick, regrading of field to form vehicular access.

**GRANTED with conditions**

Cllr. J. Keen (Chairman) expressed his disappointment that Cllr. J. Airey (on behalf of Cllr. C. Airey) spoke in support of this application at planning committee, despite the Parish Council's objections and those of local residents'. It was also noted that the District Council's Planning Officer's report did not contain details from the County archaeologist about the site being that of the medieval 'Urswick Hall', and that any works should be supervised by an archaeologist. The planning officer is checking whether additional conditions can be attached to the approval.

Cllr. J. Airey apologised for not consulting the Parish Council on this occasion, and expressed the hope that a good working relationship would continue.

SL/2013/0679: The garden of Fairview, Stainton with Adgarley, new dwelling

**GRANTED with conditions**

SL/2013/0906: Land adjacent to Roerigg Tarn, Lowick, proposed wind turbine.

**WITHDRAWN**

SL/2013/0775: Ulverston Golf Club, Bardsea, the provision of floodlighting to golf driving range

**GRANTED with conditions**

SL/2013/0882: Mill House, Coast Road, Bardsea, alterations, single storey rear extension, front single storey extension with balcony over and erection of detached garden store

**GRANTED with conditions**

SL/2013/0939: Braddylls Arms, Bardsea, conversion of change of use of public house to form two dwellings.

**GRANTED with conditions**

SL/2013/0965: Sherrick, Stainton with Adgarley, Barrow in Furness, alterations, two storey rear extension with balcony and two storey side extension.

**GRANTED with conditions**

SL/2012/0606: Site at land adjacent to Colony Candles factory, Lindal Business Park, Lindal in Furness. Appeal to The Planning Inspectorate – appeal allowed and planning permission **GRANTED (with conditions)** for a single wind turbine (61m) to blade tip, external transformer and associated access track.

**c) To consider the Council's response to the Planning Enforcement Officer:**

regarding application no. SL/2013/0204, for land at rear of Church Road, Great Urswick, erection of animal shelter/hide, granted planning

permission by South Lakeland District Council on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2013. The Clerk noted that a retrospective planning application has been received by the District Council for this development, and that in due course councillors would receive details of the application on which they could comment/make objections.

**10. To receive an update from the Tarn working group and agree any actions.**

Cllr. D. Westfield noted that boat licences would be issued early in 2014. Boat licences may also be held at the General Burgoyne Inn. Three koi carp have been caught in the Tarn and re-homed. Cllr. G. James reported on a meeting with the Environment Agency, in which it was agreed that Japanese knotweed at the Tarn would be re-sprayed in 2014. Weeds at the exit to the Tarn will also be cleared by the Environment Agency in Spring 2014. Cllr. James noted that work was progressing on the design and content of the information board for the Tarn. Repairs to the catwalk are on hold until a discussion can be held with R. Wilson.

**11. To receive an update on the Local Area Partnership.**

Cllr. J. Kilty noted that a meeting on health had been held; one of the aims is that Ulverston will become a 'dementia-friendly' town.

**12. To discuss Cumbria County Council's budget consultation for 2014/2015 and agree a response.**

The County Council's budget consultation was discussed in detail and responses agreed.

**Action: Clerk to action.**

**13. To discuss the Sustainable Communities Act 2007: Invitation to Town and Parish Councils, and agree any action.**

Cllr. G. James reported that an editable version of the Parish Plan (2006) had been obtained. In order to update the Plan, consultation with residents will be required to obtain their views. It was agreed that this should take place during 2014.

**14. To approve a review of the Council's assets in Bardsea, to take place in Spring 2014.**

**RESOLVED: The Council resolved to approve a review of the Council's assets in Bardsea, to take place in Spring 2014.**

**15. To discuss speeding on Church Road, Great Urswick.**

Discussed at item 7.

**16. To consider a request for a contribution to the upkeep of Urswick St. Mary and St. Michael's churchyard.**

It was agreed to contribute £200 to the upkeep of Urswick St. Mary and St. Michael's churchyard for 2014, with a request that any future applications contain evidence that the Urswick PCC have sought to obtain 'best value' for works carried out.

**RESOLVED: The Council resolved** to contribute £200 to the upkeep of Urswick St. Mary and St. Michael's churchyard. (LGA, 1972, s214)

**17. To decide whether to include the new lawn mower, bought to maintain Stainton with Adgarley Green, in the Council's insurance policy.**

It was decided not to include the lawn mower in the Council's insurance policy.

**18. To discuss the Council's budget and Precept request for the financial year 2014/2015.**

The Clerk reported on the Council's budget and Precept request for 2014/2015. These figures were agreed in principle, to be confirmed when information regarding the local Council Tax grant received from the District Council.

**19. To agree payments in accordance with the budget as listed in the report provided.**

**RESOLVED: the Council resolved that the following accounts be paid:**

H. Armer & Son – lawn mower	£360.00
Red Syke Ground Care – grass cutting	£1050.00
Red Syke Ground Care – tree felling	£75.00
CALC – Clerk's training	£118.50
Clerk's salary Nov 2013	£299.00
Clerk's expenses Nov 2013	£19.55
PAYE Oct-Dec 2013	£224.40
Information Commissioner – Data Protection Reg.	£35.00
Stainton Recreation Hall – room hire 19/12	£10.00
Urswick PCC – grant to Churchyard Fund	£200.00

**20. To note correspondence received and decide on any response required.**

The following items of correspondence were noted:

Cumbria CVS annual review; Adoption of South Lakeland Local Plan –

Land Allocations; CALC 158<sup>th</sup> District Meeting 28<sup>th</sup> November 2013 – agenda & minutes; South Lakeland District Council Plan 2014-19 consultation; South Lakeland District Council's 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary request for information; Annual review of constitution 2014; Neighbourhood Care – list of activities; Cumbria County Council budget consultation information sessions; A590 Dalton Bypass drainage works; CALC circular Dec-Jan 2014; CALC re local Council Tax support; Parish Remuneration Panel recommendations for financial year 2014/2015; Department for Communities and Local Government – planning aid summary.

**21. To receive items for the agenda for the next meeting.**

None.

**22. Date and time of next meeting.**

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2014, at Bardsea School Room, 7.30pm.

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