

## MINUTES OF URSWICK, BARDSEA AND STAINTON PARISH COUNCIL

From the meeting held on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> August 2015

Urswick Parish Room, 7.30pm

Present: Cllr. J. Keen (Chairman), Cllr. N. Cowsill, Cllr. J. Hannah, Cllr. J. Winder (Vice Chair), Dr. P. Attree (Clerk).

County/District councillors: Cllr. J. Airey, Cllr. J. Willis.

PCSO Paul Harris.

**1. To receive and approve apologies for absence.**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr. D. Chamberlain, Cllr. J. Kilty, Cllr. S. Sweeting, Cllr. C. Airey and Cllr. A. Butcher.

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

**2. Declarations of interests**

**To receive declarations by elected and co-opted members of interests in respect of items on this agenda.**

None.

**3. Requests for dispensations**

None.

**4. To authorise the Chairman to sign as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 25<sup>th</sup> June 2015.**

**RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> June 2015 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).**

The Clerk reported progress on the following:

- Wall bracket lantern, Low Fell, Bardsea.
- Overgrown vegetation, Greenbank Gardens, Little Urswick.
- Broken fence at Wadhead Hill, Bardsea.

In response to a query from Cllr. J. Winder, the Clerk noted that the planning application at Skeldon Moor is still pending a decision.

**6. Public Forum: Questions, comments or concerns from any local resident.**

None.

**7. Report from Police on any matters of local concern and /or interest to Councillors and residents (for information only).**

PCSO Harris reported a number of minor crimes and complaints reported to the Police, including the attempted theft of a churchyard gate in Great Urswick and noise complaints in Stainton with Adgarley. He stated that notice of eviction had been served on travellers on Birkrigg Common.

**8. Reports from District and County Councillors on matters of interest to Councillors and residents (for information only).**

Cllr. J. Willis reported that the road markings in Urswick will be completed this month. She noted that milk wagons in the area have been fitted with tracking equipment, which will monitor speed. Cllr. J. Hannah raised the issue of speeding in Bardsea village. It was agreed that the Clerk should report this to the Police. In addition, Cllr. Willis will approach the County Council about the possibility of speed monitoring.

**Also see item 14.**

**9. a) To consider/confirm the Council's response to the following planning applications:**

SL/2015/0533: Bardsea Business Park, Cooper Lane, Bardsea. Erection of 2 general industrial/storage units (Use Classes B1, B2 and B8).

The Council had no objections to this application.

SL/2015/0522: Dalegarth, Mascalles, Ulverston. Change of use of land to siting of 7 lodges (caravans), parking, tarn and wildlife area, and package treatment plant.

The Council objected to this application on the grounds of over-development in a rural area, and potential increase in traffic.

SL/2015/0637: 2 Bank End Terrace, Great Urswick. Single storey front and side extension. The Council had no objections to this application.

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

SL/2015/0333: Former Braddylls Arms, Main Street, Bardsea. Erection of single storey dwelling.

**WITHDRAWN**

SL/2015/0334: Braddylls Arms, Main Street, Bardsea. Conversion of former public house to form three self-contained flats (revised scheme SL/2013/0939).

**GRANTED with conditions**

SL/2014/1104: Land off Stone Dike Lane, Great Urswick. Erection of steel frame agricultural building for livestock and feed storage.

**GRANTED with conditions**

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

The Chairman reported that the Croft had been cleared and was a great improvement. It was agreed that the Council issue a letter of thanks to Martin Stables, for his help with the work. The Working Group has cleared reeds from the fishing pegs and the Landing. An update on the stone for the Catwalk will be sought by the Chairman.

**Action: Clerk to issue a letter to M. Stables.**

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

Cllr. N. Cowsill noted that the next meeting is on 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2015. The Partnership's priorities remain as roads, health and dementia awareness.

- 12. To grant permission to Cumbria County Council to extend a drain outfall at 3 Holmehurst Cottages, Great Urswick.**  
**RESOLVED:** The Council resolved to grant permission to extend the drain outfall.
- 13. To consider a grant request from Urswick Playground Association for a grant towards the purchase of a mower.**  
**RESOLVED:** The Council resolved to make a grant of £200 to the Urswick Playground Association. (Local Government Misc. Provisions 1976, S19)
- 14. To discuss the litter bins at Bardsea foreshore.**  
 Cllr. J. Hannah noted that the 6 litter bins on Bardsea foreshore are subject to attack by birds, which means that litter is spread around the area. The bins are also of insufficient capacity. The Clerk reported that new bins would cost in the region of £200-£300 each, and that matched funding might be sought for replacement. Cllr. J. Airey offered to check with South Lakeland District Council for any help available. The information will be brought to the next Council meeting.
- 15. To review bonfire arrangements for 2015.**  
 It was agreed that the Landing, Great Urswick is no longer suitable for a bonfire. The publicity poster should therefore be amended to refer to Stainton only and displayed on the Stainton with Adgarley notice board.  
**Action; Clerk to action.**
- 16. To note the commencement of the first phase of bracken clearance on Birkrigg Common by the Morecambe Bay Partnership.**  
 Noted.
- 17. To accept and approve the annual return for the financial year 2014-15, as approved by the external auditor.**  
**RESOLVED:** The Council resolved to accept and approve the annual return for the financial year 2014-15.
- 18. To receive and approve the Council's quarterly accounts and budget report to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2015.**  
**RESOLVED:** The Council resolved to receive and approve the quarterly accounts and budget report to 30th June 2015.
- 19. To confirm the Council's 2015-16 contribution to Bardsea toilets.**  
 After discussion, it was agreed to make a grant of £500 to the Bardsea Beach Toilets Committee, in accordance with the 2015-16 budget. However, in order to review the contribution for the following financial year, Cllr. J. Airey should be asked to provide the Council with written accounts.
- 20. To agree payments in accordance with the budget as listed in the report provided.**  
**RESOLVED:** the Council resolved that the following accounts be paid:

Clerk's salary July 2015	£328.24
Clerk's expenses July 2015	£34.86
J. Hannah – travel expenses	£23.10
CALC – training course	£29.50
BDO – external audit	£120.00
Urswick PCC – room hire 6/8	£10.00
Urswick Playground Association	£200.00

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

The list of correspondence received since the last meeting was noted.

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

Bardsea litter bins.

Review contribution to Bardsea toilets.

To receive a planning meeting report from Cllr. J. Hannah.

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

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2015, Stainton Recreation Hall, 7.30pm.

PA 12<sup>th</sup> Aug 2015