

## MINUTES OF URSWICK, BARDSEA AND STAINTON PARISH COUNCIL

From the meeting held on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2016

Bardsea School Room, 7.30pm

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

District and County councillors: Cllrs. A. Butcher & J. Willis.

PCSO H. Madden.

Members of the public: 1.

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

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. D. Chamberlain, L. Birchall, C. Airey & J. Airey.

**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 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2016.**

**RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2016 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 Chairman reported on the following items in Uрсwіck:

- Damaged 'keep left' bollard outside Derby Arms now replaced.
- Carriageway at the Coot reshaped to direct water to drains; gullies have been jetted.
- Signs at Hooks Lane have been ordered.

Cllr. Winder reported that the bus shelter at Little Uрсwіck has been painted.

Cllr. Hannah noted that routine maintenance has been carried out in Main Street, Bardsea. However, this has left remnants of vegetation above the clearance area, which will need to be removed.

Cllr. Cowsill noted that the verges in Stainton with Adgarley have been cleared.

Cllr. Bolt queried the completion of white line marking on the highway at Great Urswick. Cllr. Willis is to follow up.

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. A member of the public commented on the lack of pride in the appearance of Bardsea village; for example, inadequate road sweeping, cleanliness of the main street, trees growing in walls etc. The pavement at Orchard Road, Bardsea is in a poor state of repair (**Clerk to report to County Council**). It was noted that many of these issues are outside of the Parish Council's remit. Bardsea councillors noted that a request for volunteers to help maintain the village identified only two people. It was suggested that flyers be issued to Bardsea residents requesting that they tidy outside their properties.

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

PCSO H. Madden reported on the following incidents of note:

- Theft from work place (offender identified and charged)
- Theft – farming tools/equipment
- Theft of egg box – repeat victim
- Criminal damage – patio doors of private dwelling
- Assault (dog bite) – community resolution
- Possible modern day slavery (no crime/offence)
- Anti-social behaviour – resolved

**Crime prevention:**

- Speed indicator device – Stainton
- Speeding Low Furness School – laser work carried out in area
- Additional patrols at Halloween

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

Cllr. Willis noted that of sixteen areas in Low Furness where speed strips were installed, only one was identified where problems existed. It was noted that a decision regarding the proposed concrete factory at Lindal in Furness was expected in December. Cllr. Willis also drew members' attention to a forthcoming proposal for a mobile phone base station at Longrigg Farm, Little Urswick.

Cllr. Butcher reported on problems with speeding vehicles on Hooks Lane, Urswick. As this road has a 60mph limit it is difficult to police.

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

SL/2016/0869: Mill House, Coast Road, Bardsea. Change of use of garden room to dwelling. No objections received.

SL/2016/1009: Deva Brow, Birkrigg, Ulverston. Rear first floor extension. No objections received.

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

SL/2016/0822: Tanah Lot, Great Urswick. Formation of ancillary residential accommodation.

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

The Chairman noted that a new Tarn Management Plan has been developed. This will be included in the Council's December 2016 meeting for approval.

**11. To receive an update from the North West Coast Connections project.**

Cllr. Willis encouraged parish councillors to get involved in the forthcoming presentations about the project, with a view to making representations.

**12. To discuss the speed data from Urswick, Bardsea and Stainton with Adgarley.**

PCSO H. Madden proposed that community speed watch groups be set up in the Parish to help deal with speeding problems. Volunteers would be trained to use a speed gun and report speeding motorists to the Police. Risk assessments are in place. It was agreed to discuss the scheme at the Council's January meeting. In the interim, the Clerk will check for insurance implications.

**Action: Clerk to action**

Cllr. Willis agreed to check whether funding was available for additional traffic calming measures in Stainton with Adgarley ('dragons' teeth').

**13. To discuss the proposed removal of telephone kiosks in Urswick and Stainton with Adgarley.**

It was agreed to take no action, as the kiosks are underused and in a poor state of repair. No alternative uses have been suggested.

**14. To approve the revised costs of the Tarn fishing pegs and decide on a contractor.**

The Chairman presented two estimates for providing materials and the construction of four fishing pegs. It was agreed to accept the lower of the two quotations, from Furness Environmental Services, for £1985.00. The Clerk noted that this was within the budget for Tarn expenditure for 2016-17.

**RESOLVED: The Council resolved to contract Furness Environmental Services to construct four fishing pegs. (Local Government Act 1972, s111)**

**Action: Clerk to issue a purchase order.**

**15. To receive an update on the Local Area Partnership and discuss the top five issues best dealt with in conjunction with other parishes.**

Cllr. Cowsill reported that no issues have as yet been identified – discussion to continue.

**16. To discuss the provision of a new waste bin for Little Urswick.**

The Clerk read a letter from a young resident regarding the lack of a waste bin in Little Urswick. It was agreed that a new waste bin would be useful. The Clerk received an estimate of £400 from the District Council for provision of a bin (installation not included). It was agreed to include this in the budget for 2017-18. Clerk to contact the District Council in the Spring of 2017 to arrange delivery.

A query was also raised about the missing bin at Coopers Lane, Bardsea.

**Action: Clerk to action.**

**17. To approve the Council's new Social Media Policy.**

The Council would like to thank Cllr. Birchall for developing the new website.

**RESOLVED: The Council resolved to approve the new Social Media Policy.**

**18. To approve the Council's quarterly accounts for the period ending 30<sup>th</sup> September 2016.**

**RESOLVED: The Council resolved to approve the quarterly accounts for the period ending 30<sup>th</sup> September 2016.**

**19. To approve the Council's budget and Precept request for the financial year 2017-18.**

**RESOLVED: The Council resolved to approve the budget and Precept request for the financial year 2017-18.**

**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 Sept-Oct 2016	£663.24
Clerk's expenses Sept-Oct 2016	£40.59
Urswick PCC - refund of wreath	£17.00
PAYE July-Sept 2016	£249.60
South Lakeland District Council – waste bins	£727.34
Red Syke Groundcare – grass cutting	£1180.00
Bardsea school room – room hire 10/11	£9.00

**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.**

Council meeting dates

Tarn Management Plan

To authorise the Chairman and the Clerk to sign the Precept request form

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

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2016, Urswick Parish Room, 7.30pm.

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