

## MINUTES OF URSWICK, BARDSEA AND STAINTON PARISH COUNCIL

From the meeting held on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2018

Stainton Recreation Hall, 7.30pm

Present: Cllr. J. Keen (Chairman), Cllr. P. Bolt, Cllr. D. Chamberlain (to 8.30pm), Cllr. N. Cowsill, Cllr. J. Hannah, Cllr. J. Winder (Vice Chairman), Dr. P. Attree (Clerk).

District/County councillors: Cllr. A. Butcher.

Members of public: 1

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

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. L. Birchall, M. Turner, C. Airey, J. Airey & J. Willis.

**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 13<sup>th</sup> December 2017.**

**RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2017 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 on the following items:

- South Lakeland District Council's lease of Birkrigg Common – if the District Council do not renew the lease the management of the Common will revert to the Crown Estates.
- Parking area, Kirk Flatt, Great Urawick – planning permission is being sought.
- Parking at junction of Low House Gardens, Little Urawick and Church Road – since the PCSO intervened the situation has improved.

*Draft – to be confirmed at meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2018*

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).**  
None.

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

Cllr. Butcher reported on the following:

- Gateway at Skeldon Moor – District Council enforcement officer to visit.
- Greenbank Gardens, Little Urswick site – District Council enforcement officer to visit.
- Plans for Ulverston Fire Station – forthcoming meeting to discuss.

This was followed by a discussion of supermarket provision in Ulverston.

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

SL/2017/1095: Field off Halier How Lane, Great Urswick. Erection of timber stables with barn for storage of dry fodder and equipment, including change of use of land for keeping horses.

No objections received.

SL/2017/1084: Old Stainton Hall, Long Lane, Stainton with Adgarley. Replacement windows.

No objections received.

SL/2017/0953: 6 Park Garth, Little Urswick. Erection of detached garage.

No objections received.

SL/2018/0025: Land to the south east of North View, 2 Longlands Cottages, Dalton in Furness. Erection of agricultural storage building.

No objections received.

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

SL/2017/0987: Verstone, Mascalles, Ulverston. Single storey side extension providing covered patio area.

**GRANTED with conditions.**

SL/2017/0984: Fair View, Little Urswick. Two storey rear extension and front porch extension.

**GRANTED with conditions.**

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

Cllrs. Chamberlain and Bolt reported that 'active frightening' of cormorants is ongoing at the Tarn, to encourage them to move elsewhere, and thus protect fish stocks. Shots may be heard in the Tarn surrounds, but no cormorants are harmed in this process.

It was also noted that the level of the beck is currently high, due to recent rain. Cumbria Wildlife Trust is to examine the beck mouth and advise whether any action is needed.

It was reported that the Catwalk is in urgent need of attention. This will be discussed by the Tarn Working Group and proposals for the work required brought to the next meeting.

**11. To approve the purchase of mats for the new fishing pegs at the Tarn.**

Cllr. Bolt reported on the various options for matting – costing up to £1250. It is considered that mats are necessary on health and safety grounds. Cllr. Bolt will provide samples for members to consider at the next meeting.

**12. To approve payment for repair of the seat at the Hagg, Great Urswick.**

**RESOLVED: The Council resolved to approve payment for repair of the seat at the Hagg, Great Urswick. (Parish Councils Act 1957, ss 1(1) and 7)**

**13. To discuss raising funds for the cleaning and sealing of the war memorial, Great Urswick.**

A discussion took place about the ownership of the war memorial, which is sited on church property. The Clerk reported that a search of the County archives and the War Memorial Inventory produced no clear evidence of the ownership of the memorial. It was agreed that no further action should be taken by the Parish Council regarding maintenance of the memorial, unless ownership can be established. A letter should be sent to Urswick Parochial Church Council setting out the Parish Council's current position. Further information to be sought regarding the war memorial.

**Action: Clerk to send a letter to Urswick Parochial Church Council.**

**14. To receive an update on the Local Area Partnership (LAP).**

None.

**15. To consider a request for grant funding from the Cumbria Children's Dyslexia Project.**

After discussion, it was agreed by a majority vote to grant £250 to the Cumbria Children's Dyslexia Project, on the condition that Low Furness CE School in Urswick agree to participate.

**RESOLVED: The Council resolved to grant £250 to the Cumbria Children's Dyslexia Project. (Local Government Act, 1972, s 137)**

**16. To adopt a 'Retention of Documents' policy.**

The Council agreed to adopt a 'Retention of Documents' policy, as drafted by the Clerk.

**17. To approve the Council's quarterly accounts and budget statement to 31 December 2017.**

**RESOLVED: the Council resolved to approve the Council's quarterly accounts and budget statement to 31 December 2017.**

**18. To confirm the Precept request to South Lakeland District Council, as per the budget for 2018/19 agreed at the meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> November 2017.**

**RESOLVED: The Council resolved to confirm the Precept request to South Lakeland District Council, as per the budget for 2018/19, agreed at the meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> November 2017.**

**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:**

Clerk's salary Dec 2017	£334.88
PAYE Oct-Dec 2017	£251.20
Clerk's expenses Dec 2017	£52.61
Abbey Building Contractors – repairs to seat	£30.00
South Lakeland District Council – bus stop rental	£60.00
Information Commissioner – data protection registration	£35.00
Tarn News Associates fee	£12.00
Stainton Recreation Hall – room hire 25/1	£10.00

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

Correspondence received since the last meeting was noted.

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

To discuss and approve works required at the Catwalk, Urswick Tarn.

To approve the purchase of mats for the fishing pegs at Urswick Tarn.

To discuss the introduction of a 20mph zone/speed limit in Urswick.

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

8<sup>th</sup> March 2018, Bardsea School Room, 7.30pm.

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