

Minutes of the meeting of Urswick, Bardsea & Stainton Parish Council, held at 7.00 p.m. on Thursday 29th September, 2022 @ Stainton Recreation Hall.

Present: Cllrs; J Keen; D Chamberlain; N Cowsill; H Cawley; T Brimley,

J Scott (following co-option at Agenda item 5)

1. To receive and approve apologies for absence.

Apologies received and approved from Cllr Winder

2. Declarations of interests

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

Cllrs Chamberlain & Scott declared a non pecuniary interest in agenda item 13.

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 11th August, 2022

Resolved: That the minutes are signed as a correct record.

5. To co-opt and welcome Jo Scott onto the Parish Council and receive declaration of acceptance of office.

Jo Scott was duly co-opted, welcomed onto the Parish Council and signed a declaration of acceptance of office.

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

- Reply received from Solicitor regarding letter to Church Road House/common land - copies of Commons registration maps sent and suggestion that they deal directly with Commons Registration for legal clarity on Common Land at this location

- CCC response re address at St. Marys' Garth/issue of lack of application for dropped kerb to say they have inspected and will take appropriate action.

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

None Present.

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

Apologies received from County Cllr Janet Willis & District Cllr Ben Cooper

9. To consider/confirm the Council's response to the following planning applications and raise/note any other planning matters

SL/2022/0050 - The Gynring, Little Urswick - Formation of new highway access and construction of new detached double garage

Resolved: response of objections based on loss of amenity parking which has been used in the Village for 50+ years by residents of Park Garth.

SL/2022/0777 - Derby Arms, Great Urswick - Demolition of existing rear external stair and cellar; construction of single storey side / rear pitched roof extension, single storey rear flat roof extension and two storey rear pitched roof extension

Resolved: response of no objections

Notifications:

SL/2022/0141 - Greystead, Main St, Bardsea - 2 storey front porch & study - permitted

SL/2022/0424 - Eden Lodge - retention of Cabin C - permitted.

10. To make decision on bus shelter proposal @ Great Urswick including legal fees (approx £400).

Various feedback received regarding the proposal - mostly positive though with concerns of vandalism and a concern regarding medical needs access. Also Council unhappy with the legal fees that would be imposed and change of opinion re style of shelter. Resolved: To put this issue to one side and revisit in the spring.

11. **To receive updates on the Tarn, approve Tarn Management Plan, receive costs for required works and approve any actions.**
 - reports received of night time inappropriate behaviours at The Landing car park.
 - blue green algae has gone – confirmed by the Environment Agency. A drain (possibly blocked) was highlighted that possibly still has signs of the algae – Cllr Chamberlain to inspect.
 - tree marking to be done and then tree removals.
 - Parish Steward to clear The Hagg (left side leaving the Village to Birkkrigg). A Volunteer to clear the right hand side.
 - an increase in general mischief and vandalism is noted. To request the Police include the areas in their night time patrols.
 - Contractor has been to assess the reeds/spraying requirements and will submit plans/costs.
12. **To receive update on works required from Tree survey**
To proceed with remaining works needed once Great Urswick trees dealt with.
13. **To receive update on Common land access obstruction at the Coot and agree further action.**
No response to last letter and the Council has been made aware that the building spoils have now been spread across the Common Land. This has the potential to cause flooding due to an illegally raised level as well as possible contamination of the Tarn as this waste should have been moved by a licence waste carrier. There is also a tree missing that would be covered under a TPO. This has been reported to District Council; planning enforcement and SLDC arboroculturist. Resolved: To also report to Environment Agency and write to Resident requesting immediate steps to rectify.
14. **To receive update on Little Urswick Village Green bench & planters**
Planters still need to be returned for resiting. Resolved: To write with request and advising the PC will return to complete painting of the bench.
15. **To consider request for the Parish Council to take on responsibility for the 2 defibrillators at Little Urswick & Great Urswick (by General Burgoyne)**
This matter was discussed in detail with reference to historic discussions at the time the defibrillators were first installed. Resolved: To reply to explain that the Council are not confident that they have the capacity to take on the practical responsibility for management of the defibrillators and are of the opinion it would be better placed within the Community with a suggestion of the General Burgoyne (re-opening next week) for the one at that location and the Church for the one at Little Urswick.
16. **To consider quotes for Tarn signage and approve purchase.**
Quote received for £87 for 5 signs. Further quotes received for £100 + for just one sign. Resolved: To proceed with quote for £87. The contractor only accepts bank transfer so the payment will be made to the Clerk who will arrange the transfer.
17. **To approve refurbishment of seat at Little Urswick opposite Hooks Lane.**
3 quotes received. Resolved: To proceed with the quote for £80.
18. **To receive updates on Parish Steward jobs**
Stainton Green has been done. Jobs to do: The Hagg/noticeboard at Parish Rooms.
19. **To agree payments in accordance with the budget as listed below.**
Clerks Expenses - £65.37
Stainton Recreation Hall - £12
Signage - £87
J Simmons - £17 (replacement cheque for cheq no 001227 now out of date.)
20. **To note correspondence received (circulated) and decide on any response required. (Clerk)**
No actions required.
21. **To receive items for the agenda for the next meeting.**
Speeding of Farm contractors/ongoing matters.
22. **To confirm date and time of next meeting as Thursday 27th October, 2022.**
Confirmed – location Urswick

Signed: *B Workman* (Clerk)
29th September, 2022