



# Arnside Parish Council

Minutes of the monthly Meeting held on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2023 at 7.15pm in the Cemetery Chapel.

Present:

Councillors: Mike Mann (MM) – chair, Steve Porter (SP), Neil Punnett (NP), Helen Chaffey (HC), Keith Halford (KH), Rebecca Kennington (RK), Clive Christensen (CC)

Officers: Clerk - Pete McSweeney, RFO Lesley Smyth.

22-23/143	Apologies for Absence: - Josh McLeod (JM)	
22-23/144	Declaration of Interests: - <b>RESOLVED</b> that the following declarations of interests be noted. None.	
22-23/145	Minutes of previous Meeting: - <b>RESOLVED</b> that the minutes of the meeting held on 13 <sup>th</sup> March 2023, pages 19129-19130 be confirmed as a true record and to be signed by the chair.	MM
22-23/146	<p><b>Public Participation – Members of the public to address the council and report from Westmorland &amp; Furness Council members for the Kent Estuary ward: -</b></p> <p><b>Members of the Public:</b> Fran Richardson from ACTION with Communities in Cumbria gave a verbal update on the draft report that has been compiled as a result of the recent Housing Needs Survey conducted in Arnside for which there was a 45% response. The draft report has been distributed to all APC members and a summary was handed out to all members at the meeting. <b>Action</b> – All APC members to respond to NP re summary sheet.</p> <p><b>Westmorland &amp; Furness Council (W&amp;FC) Update:</b> Cllr Helen Chaffey reported the following:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• W&amp;FC went live with Vesting Day on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023.</li> <li>• The W&amp;FC AGM will take place on 20<sup>th</sup> April 2023 when all member committee and board appointment will be made.</li> <li>• W&amp;FC will have a portfolio of dwellings available for social rent. These dwellings have come from the now defunct Barrow Borough Council.</li> </ul>	HC
22-23/147	<p><b>Councillor Matters – Matters raised by Councillors not on the agenda:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cricket club representative Tony Pidgeon, has asked if the parking area on the memorial playing field can be made more weatherproof.</li> </ul> <p><b>Action</b> – Discuss at playing field committee meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> April.</p>	MM
22-23/148	<p><b>Financial Report RESOLVED that:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The report be received and noted.</li> <li>• Members to give guidance to RFO regarding insurance concerns outlined in recent email to all members. <b>Action</b> – Members to respond to RFO</li> <li>• <b>Action</b> - RFO to get quotations regarding the recent pier survey,</li> <li>• Councillor allowances to remain the same.</li> <li>• <b>Action</b> – RFO to send out invoices to allotment holders who have not yet paid. Plot rental fees to remain as per 2022/23.</li> <li>• An external auditor is needed and will cost more than previous years. <b>Action</b> – RFO to get 3 quotes for audit service.</li> <li>• It was <b>resolved</b> to raise the price for benches.</li> </ul>	MM RFO RFO RFO
22-23/149	<p><b>Cemetery Report – RESOLVED that:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The report from JM be noted.</li> </ul>	
22-23/150	<p><b>Applications for Development – RESOLVED that the clerk should respond to W&amp;FC as follows:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SL/2023/0256 – with comments</li> <li>• SL/2023/0218 – with comments</li> <li>• SL/2023/0267 – No objections</li> </ul>	Clerk

22-23/151	<b>Wildflower Verges Project – RESOLVED that:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update report sent out to all councillors prior to meeting be noted.</li> <li>• Thanks to Dougie Watson and the AONB volunteers to be noted.</li> <li>• <b>Action</b> – agenda item for next meeting to discuss residents’ rewilding possibilities.</li> </ul>	<b>Clerk</b>
22-23/152	<b>Consider allocation of funds to pay for the hire of the PA system for the Coronation Picnic on the 7<sup>th</sup> May. – RESOLVED that:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contingency funds be used.</li> </ul>	<b>RK</b>
22-23/153	<b>Date of the next meeting - RESOLVED</b> that the date of the next scheduled meeting of Arnside Parish Council be confirmed as Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> May 2023 in the Cemetery Chapel upon the closure of the Annual Meeting of the parish council which will start at 7:15pm. Items and Finance items for the agenda should reach the Clerk and RFO respectively by Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> April 2023.	
22-23/154	<b>Meeting closed at 20:55.</b>	

Chair:

Date: