



# Arnside Parish Council

## Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2021 at 7.15 pm via ZOOM

### Present:

**Councillors:** Peter Smillie (PS) Chair; David Brockbank (DB) vice-Chair; Clive Christensen (CC); Helen Chaffey (HC); Michael Mann (MM); Keith Halford (KH); Pete McSweeney (PMcS)

**Officers:** Clerk Caroline Caudwell (CEC); Finance Officer Jonathan Cartmell (JC); Cemetery Officer Brenda Brockbank (BB)

**Also: one member of the public was present.**

20-21/216	<b>Apologies for Absence:</b> - <b>RESOLVED</b> that the following apologies were received. None.	
20-21/217	<b>Declaration of Interests:</b> - <b>RESOLVED</b> that the following declarations of interests be noted. None.	
20-21/218	<b>Minutes of previous Meeting:</b> - <b>RESOLVED</b> that the minutes of the meeting held on 11th January 2020 pages 19057–19059 be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chair. Approved.	
20-21/219	<b>Public Participation – Police report:</b> - <b>RESOLVED</b> that no police report will be received during COVID-19 emergency. Approved.	
20-21/220	<p><b>Public Participation - County Councillor report:</b> - <b>RESOLVED that:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cllr McSweeney updated the Council that census day for England and Wales will go ahead on 21 March 2021. This will be done mainly digitally, but hard copy will be available for residents who are not online. Cllr Chaffey to forward the Cllrs pack to the Clerk.</li> <li>• Persimmon, owners of the land with the spring that causes water to flow onto Black Dyke Road and Cumbria County Council have tentatively agreed a scheme to reduce water flow onto the footpath and road. Hopefully, it will be implemented sometime this year. A culvert was previously proposed, but will be too expensive to implement and therefore the aim is to reduce the water flow as well as direct it away from the path and road. When work is done on Traffic calming along Black Dye Road it may be an option to build a channel so that some water can be drained away.</li> <li>• An announcement has not yet been made about which, if any of the local government re-organisation options will to go to public consultation.</li> <li>• Green Bin Waste Collections will not re-start on 15 February due to staff shortages. The intention is to re-start on 1 March.</li> <li>• A resident has approached County Council requesting increased street lighting on Redhills Road. It is deemed un-necessary particularly as there is a nationwide initiative to reduce lighting levels and thereby lighting pollution. Cllr Smillie did register concern that lighting at the junction of High Knott Road and Redhills was particularly poor and probably warranted additional lighting. It was noted that lighting is normally introduced where accidents are more likely to or have happened.</li> </ul>	HC
20-21/221	<p><b>Public Participation - District Councillor report:</b> - <b>RESOLVED that:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cllr Chaffey updated the meeting that SLDC visited Arnside at the end of first week in February to look at three potential car parking sites. In order not to prejudice</li> </ul>	

	<p>discussions with site owners it is not yet possible to know which locations are under consideration. The consultation results will become available once a site is agreed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A member of the public previously approached the Council regarding the sponsorship of Beachclean stations in the village. Council is pleased to note that the member of the public has secured funding for one unit. Council to establish what is involved in taking ownership of the unit for insurance purposes.</li> </ul>	Clerk
20-21/222	<b>Public Participation: - RESOLVED that:</b> no matters were raised by any members of the public.	
20-21/223	<b>Financial Report: - RESOLVED that:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the Financial Summary to the end of January 2021 be received, balance noted at £69,510.42 and that payments listed in the schedule be approved. Approved.</li> <li>• It was noted that the Cemetery grant has now been received.</li> <li>• Q4 2020/21 forecast was received and approved.</li> </ul>	
20-21/224	<b>Cemetery Report – RESOLVED that:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the report on Cemetery business be noted and approved. Approved.</li> <li>• Cemetery fees were waived for grave NC120a. Approved.</li> <li>• Chapel re-opening to be considered in April. Approved.</li> </ul>	
20-21/225	<b>Applications for Development - RESOLVED that:</b> planning applications be considered for approval. Approved. Planning decisions were noted. Cllr Chaffey is aware of and thanked the AONB for constructive input into planning decisions.	
20-21/226	<b>Donations to AONB and Air Ambulance - RESOLVED that:</b> Councillors consider and agree donations to AONB and Air Ambulance. Approved: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Great North Air Ambulance (as not funded by public monies) to receive £300.</li> <li>• AONB to receive £350.</li> </ul>	
20-21/227	<b>CALC Training – RESOLVED that:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cllr Halford to attend financial matters training.</li> </ul>	
20-21/228	<b>Leighton Hall Estates Proposal – RESOLVED that:</b> Councillors gave consideration to the request for support for the proposed Party / Picnic in the Park at Leighton Hall to celebrate the 70 year Reign of the Queen over the extra Bank Holiday in June 2022. Council did not agree to offer support. Clerk to inform the organisers. Approved.	Clerk
20-21/229	<b>Insurance Contract – RESOLVED that:</b> following an update by the RFO on the recommendations from the Broker and the current insurer it was agreed that Councillors Halford and Smillie would review the current cover and that the RFO would present final recommendations for approval at the March meeting. A one/three or five year deal is offered. Councillors are minded to accept a three year deal. Approved.	
20-21/230	<b>Electric Vehicle Charge Points – RESOLVED that:</b> following discussion about possible charge point locations, Councillors agreed that no further progress could be made until there is clarity about the recommended car park location. Approved.	
20-21/231	<b>Combatting Social Isolation – RESOLVED that:</b> Council support the initiative to introduce ‘chatty benches’ to encourage social interaction. Council agreed to financially support the project from its Wellbeing budget to a maximum of £300. Approved.	

20-21/232	<b>Street Lighting – RESOLVED that:</b> the Clerk respond to SLDC to establish progress. Approved.	<b>Clerk</b>
20-21/233	<b>PSPO – RESOLVED that:</b> Cllr Chaffey will contact SLDC to find out more about the background to having to re-apply. Council has only just installed new PSPO's on the playing field and Cemetery after significant delays. Approved.	<b>HC</b>
20-21/234	<b>Police Liaison – RESOLVED that:</b> Cllr Mann presented the figures for comment. Council continues to express concern that some crimes appear to have increased in recent months.	
20-21/235	<b>Councillor Matters – RESOLVED:</b> that it be noted that the following matters were raised: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cllrs had noticed that the Christmas Tree has been cut up and left on the foreshore by the Pier. Cllr Chaffey to follow up with Christmas Tree Committee to find out what is going to be done with the tree remains.</li> </ul>	<b>HC</b>
20-21/236	<b>Co-option of a New Councillor – RESOLVED:</b> that a new Councillor, interviewed by Cllrs Smillie, Brockbank and Mann be recommended for co-option onto the Council. The Council all agreed that the new Councillor, Stephen Porter should be co-opted onto the Council. Approved.	
20-21/237	<b>Grounds and Maintenance Contract – RESOLVED</b> that the tender papers for issue to invite Contractors to tender for the grounds and maintenance be approved. Approved with one abstention.	<b>Clerk</b>
20-21/238	<b>Date of the next meeting - RESOLVED</b> that the date of the next scheduled meeting of Arnside Parish Council be confirmed as 7.15pm on Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> March 2021 online using ZOOM. Items for the agenda should reach the Clerk by Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> February Finance items to RFO by this date.	
	<b>Meeting closed at 2156</b>	

Chair:

Date:

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