



Arnside Parish Council

Minutes of the monthly Meeting held on Monday 9th January 2023 at 7.15pm in the Cemetery Chapel.

Present:

Councillors Present: Peter Smillie (PS) Chair, Steve Porter (SP), Mike Mann (MM), Neil Punnett (NP) Rebecca Kennington (RK) Helen Chaffey (HC) Pete McSweeney (PM)

Officers: Clerk Carly Taylor (CT), RFO Lesley Smyth, CO Josh McLeod.

22-23/99	Apologies for Absence: - Clive Christenson (CC), Keith Halford (KH)	
22-23/100	Declaration of Interests: - RESOLVED that the following declarations of interests be noted. None.	
22-23/101	Minutes of previous Meeting: - RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 14 th November 2022 pages 19122-19123 be confirmed as a true record. Due to the meeting being held virtually unable to sign today. Approved.	
22-23/102	<p>Public Participation – County Councillor and District Councillor report: - RESOLVED that:</p> <p>A&B. County & District Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr McSweeney advised of flood warning and weather alert for 10th January and has forwarded to Clerk. • Cllr McSweeney received a phone call from a member of the public asking him to use his position to get emergency response due to youths starting a fire behind the cricket club. Cllr McSweeney advised that he explained that there is no shortcuts for anyone, and everyone should use the 101 police number or 999 in an emergency. Police response times for Cumbria are good. Clerk to check with cricket club if any damage sustained. • Cllr Porter asked regarding the speed limit results collected and if the data was available yet. Cllr McSweeney advised he will follow this up. <p>C. Westmorland & Furness Council Update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Chaffey advised that the draft budget for W&F council is under discussion and going to public consultation mid-January time. Cllr Chaffey will send out link as its made available. Cllr Mann enquired about the availability of viewing the business case for the new W&F council, as he hasn't been able to locate any such documentation. Cllr Chaffey explained that proposals were done and will send them to Cllr Mann to view. • Cllr McSweeney advised that by the end of January all senior positions should be filled. • After member of the public came and addressed the council Cllr Mann raised some of points noted by the member of the public. Cllr McSweeney advised that this is why it is suggested to have a survey/consultation so that the evidence to support and the various options to resolve this issue. Cllr Mann asked why this has to be done externally and cannot be internally within SLDC. Cllr McSweeney advised due to the speciality of the skills required they don't have this internally. Cllr Mann felt that this should be something that the new Westmorland & Furness Council look at, and ensure that they have the skill sets required. Cllr Chaffey and Cllr McSweeney advised that there are public participation sections of the Westmorland & Furness meetings if Cllr Mann would like to raise directly – Clerk to send Cllr Mann the details. <p>Cllr McSweeney left at 20.45.</p>	Clerk

22-23/103	<p>Public participation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member of the public attended to input to the dangerous cycling petition – former road traffic officer with extensive experience in this area. They asked if there is evidence to support this petition. Is there evidence of time trials? They were not advocating dangerous cycling activity but did not want money to spent on this with no data to back up the requirement for a solution. <p>They advised there is minimal monies available within the Highways budget. It was also raised that speed checks carried out in August have still not been reported. They also stated that given current road conditions in the parish which require works, could it be considered signage or something of that manner to try to solve this as only moderate costs associated rather than more extensive works resulting in a much larger cost. The chair & council thanked the member of the public for attending and raising some valid points. The council advised that they will be consulting with SLDC on this matter.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The council had received an enquiry from Leighton Moss Nature Reserve to ask about having a stand on the Pier to talk to members of the public about the work happening on the reserve and the wider area. The council all agreed, suggested locations of either top of slipway nearest Albion (ensuring emergency access maintained) or area by public toilets rather than Pier. Clerk to feed back. 	Clerk
22-23/104	<p>Councillor Matters – Matters raised by Councillors not on the agenda:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cllr Porter advised that it was minnuted in the last meeting that there was going to be a interim meeting with involved members regarding the verges project, however that hasn't been able to be held. Cllr Mann had sent an email, all agreed for Cllr Mann to resend and all involved to decide if meeting to be held and all to advise Cllr Chaffey. Cllr Chaffey had received a message from a member of the public after the recent power cuts to ask if there are any emergency arrangements in place especially for the vulnerable. Cllr Chaffey raised the potential to use the Arnside Broadsheets to ask if people would like to go on a list for support during an emergency, and then we could assign people to support them. Cllr Smillie advised that utility companies do have a responsibility to support vulnerable people who require support. Cllr Smillie advised the council that unfortunately due to some difficult personal circumstances the Clerk has given her notice to the council. The clerk thanked all the Cllrs for being very supportive and wonderful to work with and will support until replacement is recruited. 	
22-23/105	<p>Financial Report RESOLVED that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A) All agreed B) Precept to be set the same as last year. 0% increase. Cllr Mann asked about the Cemetery grant and should that be included into the precept. <p>Responsibilities agreed for Cllr Porter – Foreshore & Trees, Cllr Mann – Toilets & Chapel (and will be a key holder)</p>	
22-23/106	<p>Cemetery Report – RESOLVED that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cemetery Officer presented cemetery report. Continuing to work on digitalising records. Confirmed Josh McLeod will continue on a permanent basis as Cemetery Officer. Cemetery Officer asked for a designated email address. 	Clerk

22-23/107	Applications for Development – RESOLVED that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SL/2022/1062 – received concerns from the Sailing club regarding noise and the sailing club is a regular music venue. Parking and safety concerns during construction also raised. Email received has been forwarded to the planning development management. • SL/2022/1160 – No comment • SL/2022/1172 – Due to technical issues with SLDC planning website further information has been unable to be gained. APC to ask for extension to deadline to allow informed decision. • SL/2021/0990 – No comment. 	Clerk
22-23/108	Local Housing Needs Delivery– RESOLVED that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Punnett brought the pack for the housing needs survey to show to the meeting. Just awaiting return envelopes. Cllr Chaffey had enquired with the Arnside Broadsheets to support delivery but unfortunately they cannot help. Cllr Punnett asked the councillors if they would be willing to support and take sections of the village. All agreed and happy to support delivery. • Cllr Punnett will distribute to all councillors when return envelopes received. 	NP
22-23/109	Date of the next meeting - RESOLVED that the date of the next scheduled meeting of Arnside Parish Council be confirmed as 7.15pm on Monday 13 th February 2023 in the Cemetery Chapel. Items and Finance items for the agenda should reach the Clerk and RFO respectively by Friday 3 rd February 2022.	
22-23/110	Meeting closed at 21.15.	

Chair:

Date: