



Arnside Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 10th January 2022 at 7.15pm in the Cemetery Chapel

Present:

Councillors: Peter Smillie (PS) Chair; Helen Chaffey (HC); Rebecca Kennington (RK); Neil Punnett (NP); Pete McSweeney (PMcS); Steve Porter (SP)

Officers: Clerk Caroline Caudwell (CEC); RFO Lesley Smyth (LS); Michelle Thear (MT)

Councillors present Via Zoom: Keith Halford (KH) Vice Chair; Mike Mann (MM)

Officers present via Zoom: Brenda Brockbank (BB)

One member of the public was present face to face.

Sion Thomas (ST), South Lakeland District Council, attended face to face

21-22/130	Apologies for Absence: - RESOLVED Clive Christensen sent his apologies.	
21-22/131	Declaration of Interests: - RESOLVED that the following declarations of interests be noted. Cllr Punnett declared an interest in the 'to note' planning application for 49 Redhills Road	
21-22/132	Minutes of previous Meeting: -RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 13 th December pages 19086-19088 be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chair. Approved.	
21-22/133	New Clerk: - RESOLVED that the appointment of the new Clerk: Michelle Thear be approved. Approved.	
21-22/134	Public Participation – County Councillor and District Councillor report: - RESOLVED that: Councillor McSweeney updated the meeting as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Smillie queried the feasibility of implementing highway parking charges. Cllr McSweeney explained it is currently Cumbria County Council Policy not to charge for on street parking. • The High Court in Manchester has refused permission for Cumbria County Council to pursue a Judicial Review against the Government's decision on the two unitary option selected for Local Government Reorganisation in Cumbria. The County Council has an option to file a notice for a renewed permission hearing in the next seven days ie. by 25th January. Cumbria County Council has decided to move onto to the next stage of the Judicial Review process. 	
21-22/135	Public Participation – Matters raised by residents: RESOLVED that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ian Bullough attended the meeting to answer any questions and provide clarification as required, in relation to his current planning application. 	
21-22/136	Public Participation – Police Liaison: RESOLVED that: nothing further to report.	
21-22/137	Councillor Matters – Matters raised by Councillors not on the agenda: - RESOLVED that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Chaffey had been contacted by a member of the public querying whether a local emergency response plan could be devised in anticipation of future situations such as Storm Arwen. Council to discuss at the February 2022 meeting. • Cllr Smillie queried whether Council were responsible for the painting of white lines in front of dropped kerbs to prevent parking. It was confirmed faded white lines can be reported on the Cumbria County Council Highways website. Council is not responsible for new white lines. • The Clerk referenced an email from NALC in relation to the Queen's Jubilee Beacons. This will be circulated to Councillors and included on the agenda for the February meeting. 	Clerk

21-22/138	<p>Financial Report RESOLVED that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financial summary to the end of November be approved. Approved. • Payments be approved. Approved. • Cash Balance of £69,639.49 noted. • The RFO confirmed the 2022/23 precept and budget is due for approval and submission by 21st January 2022. Council confirmed where adjustments to the precept were required. Approved 	
21-22/139	<p>Cemetery Report – RESOLVED that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The details of the Cemetery report be noted and approved. Approved. • Council approved, in principle, the planting of a Jubilee Tree in the cemetery grounds. Approved • Quotation of £1,360 + VAT received for replacing a chapel window with an opening window to aid ventilation. It was agreed alternative options would also be researched to discuss at February’s meeting. Approved 	
21-22/140	<p>Applications for Development – RESOLVED that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning applications be considered for approval. Approved. • Planning decisions were noted. 	
21-22/141	<p>Car Park Consultation – RESOLVED that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sion Thomas, Operational lead for Delivery and Commercial services, South Lakeland District Council (ST) presented the findings of the Arnside Parking Study. The study was commissioned to assess both parking concerns and potential car parking options offered by the village. • SLDC assessed a wide range of potential options, providing a high-level feasibility rating for each resulting in the proposal of a number of recommendations. Council to respond with options for SLDC to progress further. Approved • The presentation can be found on the Arnside Parish Council website. 	
21-22/142	<p>Wild Verges Working Group – RESOLVED that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Following receipt of an email from Cumbria County Council it was proposed Council would research the option of obtaining a license to work on the verges. Approved 	
21-22/143	<p>NCP Car Parking – RESOLVED that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council considered a proposal for NCP car parking on the foreshore. • Cllr McSweeney confirmed Council do not have authority to allow parking on the road. 	
21-22/144	<p>Storm Arwen – RESOLVED that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council was updated on quotations received for tree works in Beechwood and the Cemetery. It was agreed that Council would continue to seek best value for money in getting necessary works done and recognise the importance of securing a contractor as soon as possible to help ensure the safety of the sites. • Council raised Beechwood safety concerns and agreed to replace the red and white hazard tape and consider whether further measures were also needed. Approved 	
21-22/145	<p>Public Toilet Grant – RESOLVED that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Mann provided an update from the December meeting with SLDC. Following the implementation of the contactless payment system the toilets are now self-funding. The Public Toilet Grant will cease from April 2022. 	
21-22/146	<p>Memorial Field Garage – RESOLVED that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To consider quotations for garage door replacement and a proposal for additional works identified by Cllr Christensen. Carried forward to be discussed at February’s meeting. 	

21-22/147	Groundsman Contract – RESOLVED that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The tender for the grounds and maintenance contract is to be initiated to enable a new contract to be set up with effect from 1st April 2022. Cllr Smillie, Cllr Christensen and Cllr Porter agreed to be involved in the process. Approved 	
21-22/148	Repair Person Call Off Contract – RESOLVED that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To consider a proposal from Cllr Christensen for a repair person contract to be put in place for the Council to utilise for certain works. Carried forward to be discussed at February’s meeting. 	
21-22/149	The Queen’s Green Canopy – plant a tree for the Jubilee – RESOLVED that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Councillors agreed the importance of planting some more trees, especially following Storm Arwen (ref. 21-22/144 above) and are keen that the correct trees are selected for the correct locations. Approved • Cllr Chaffey will contact a fellow Councillor to enquire about the potential opportunity for some free trees to be sourced towards the end of this year. Approved 	
21-22/150	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 14 th February 2022 in the Cemetery Chapel. Items and Finance Items for the agenda should reach the Clerk and RFO respectively by Friday 4 th February 2022.	
21-22/151	Meeting closed at 21:47	

Chair:

Date: