



Arnside Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 9th August at 7.15pm in the EI

Present:

Councillors: Peter Smillie (PS) Chair; Mike Mann (MM); Helen Chaffey (HC); Clive Christensen (CC), Stephen Porter (SP); Pete McSweeney (PMcS)

Officers: Clerk Caroline Caudwell (CEC); RFO Jonathan Cartmell (JC)

Apologies: Councillor Keith Halford (KH) Cemetery Officer Brenda Brockbank (BB)

One member of the public was present.

21-22/039	Apologies for Absence: - RESOLVED that the following apologies were received: Cemetery Officer Brenda Brockbank and Councillor Keith Halford.	
21-22/040	Declaration of Interests: - RESOLVED that the following declarations of interests be noted. None.	
21-22/041	Minutes of previous Meeting: - RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 21 st June pages 19074 -19075 be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chair. Approved.	
21-22/042	<p>Public Participation - County Councillor report: - RESOLVED that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr PMcS has received complaints that the large refuse bins on Black Dyke Road are overflowing more regularly. It has been established that 2 businesses on the Promenade had been using the bins for their recycling waste. It has been explained to them that they will be fined if they continue as commercial waste should be separately collected by a commercial re-cycling refuse collector. It is hoped that residents will find the bins less full for private use in future. In theory the bins are emptied on report by SLDC refuse operatives. In reality, Cllr PMcS often calls himself requesting collection of waste. In response to the question of whether or not APC pays for this waste management service, Cllr PMcS explained that DC sells the waste to CC at an agreed price, who then sell it on. The Council makes a small profit. It is noted that neither SLDC nor CC offer a commercial service to business. • The East/West Cumbria split proposed by the Secretary of State for the new Unitary Authority is being challenged by the leader of the Council who has written to the Secretary of State with objections and asking for the decision to be overturned. SLDC and DC are remaining neutral. It is considered unlikely that the decision will be overturned although more explanation backing it may be offered. The Sec of State has an obligation to respond by 23 August 2021 after which a judicial review can be requested by the leader of Council if he chooses to do so. • Elections will go ahead for the new shadow authority in May 2022. The District Council will be in contact with citizens either by email or white mail re-confirming the electoral date. This mailing to be completed by end October 2021. • The Motorhome no overnight parking signs to be in place by week ending 13 August 2021. Parking Enforcement will commence with immediate effect. • Cllr PMcS will contribute £500 to the Wild Verges Task Group. Cllr SP formally thanked Cllr PMcS on behalf of the group and stated the money will be very gratefully received with the intention to start work with APC approval in September/October. Work will be carried out by a mix of volunteers and a contractor. 	

21-22/043	<p>Public Participation - District Councillor report: - RESOLVED that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr HC has received a number of complaints that recycling collections on Church Hill Arnside (and in Storth) have been missed. Short staffing has resulted in difficulties in getting a crew of 3 on the recycling vehicles as household waste collection is a statutory duty and is therefore prioritised when crew numbers are short in number. Cllr PS asked if the size of the vehicle accessing Church Hill was an issue? Certainly, it is also recognised that negotiating the hill can be tricky and this may be adding to the problem. 	
21-22/044	<p>Public Participation – Matters raised by residents: RESOLVED that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A member of the public (Edgar) who is also a volunteer explained that the number of volunteers who look after the Promenade gardens has fallen from 4 to 2. Edgar thanked the Council for the gift that resulted in volunteers enjoying a post COVID meal out. • Edgar explained that large vehicles regularly hit the stone wall at the bottom boundary of station garden as you enter the village damaging it. He proposed a solution that was approved in principle by the Council. Quotations for the work will come to Council for formal approval in due course. 	
21-22/045	<p>Public Participation – Police Liaison: RESOLVED that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr MM confirmed that following her introducing herself at the last Council meeting, he has seen the new PCSO walking the village, which is very encouraging. 	
21-22/046	<p>Councillor Matters – Matters raised by Councillors not on the Agenda: - RESOLVED that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Clerk read out an email from the AONB requesting permission to use the Memorial Playing field for the AVG Bittern Award. This was approved. • The Clerk made Councillors aware of an email from Network Rail re the foreshore land that is used as an unofficial parking location. The email is to be sent to all Councillors for consideration. • Cllrs PS and CC gave some informal feedback regarding their visit to the Bay Search and Rescue Flookburgh site. Cllrs are committed to supporting the Bay Search and Rescue’s efforts to find a suitable storage site near launch and landing facilities in and around Arnside. • Cllr HC reminded Council that it gave £75 to the organisers of the Arnside Art Exhibition to fund art displays in local venues. Approval given in principle to do the same this year, however to be formally approved at the September meeting. • Cllr CC raised a maintenance issue on the playground. Repair was approved and the importance of taking forward the playground project discussed. The Clerk and Cllr MM to meet later in the week to agree how to proceed. 	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk/ MM</p>
21-22/047	<p>Financial Report RESOLVED that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financial summary to the end of July be approved. Approved. • Payments approved. • Cash Balance of £88,403.94 noted. 	
21-22/048	<p>Cemetery Report – RESOLVED that: the details of the Cemetery report below be noted and approved. Approved.</p>	
21-22/049	<p>Applications for Development - RESOLVED that: planning applications be considered for approval. Approved. Planning decisions were noted.</p>	
21-22/050	<p>Risk Register – RESOLVED that: the Risk Register and Tracking register be received and approved. Approved.</p>	
21-22/051	<p>Re-opening the Chapel– RESOLVED that: on completion of the requirements of the Chapel Risk Assessment by Cllr CC and with the input of Officer BB, the Chapel be re-opened for Council meetings only with effect from September. It was also agreed that the cost of installation of a ventilation system be established and consideration be given to installation subject to the costs involved. Cllr PS to investigate.</p>	PS

21-22/052	Arnside Visitors – RESOLVED that: in Cllr KH's absence there was nothing to report. Cllr HC will speak to a shop owner on the Promenade where due to customers queueing outside, obstructions to the footpath are an issue for concern.	HC
21-22/053	The UK Community Ownership Fund– RESOLVED that: Council cannot apply to the fund, however it was agreed that Council has a role in support of local applications where assets are in dis-repair. Following discussion, it was also agreed that Council re-instate the bi-annual meeting with Clubs based on the Memorial Field when, amongst other matters, the opportunities presented by the Fund could be explored. Approved.	Clerk
21-22/054	The Wild Verges Working Group – RESOLVED that: the working group's proposal for hedge cover of the recycling bins be approved. The Working Group to liaise with the Council. Costs to come from the funds already allocated to the group. Approved.	
21-22/055	Tree Thinning and Felling on Beechwood – RESOLVED that: Cllr MM to engage with SLDC's tree surgeon re work undertaken. Approved.	
21-22/056	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 September 2021 in the Cemetery Chapel. Items for the agenda should reach the Clerk by Friday 3 rd September Finance items to RFO by this date.	
	Meeting closed at 2052	

Chair:

Date: