Ennerdale & Kinniside Parish Council

Clerk to the Council: Susan Denham-Smith, Routen Farm, Ennerdale, Cleator, Cumbria, CA23 3AU. Tel: 11946 861270

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 10 July 2019 in St Mary's Church Ennerdale Bridge at 7pm

Present

Cllrs Denham-Smith (MD-S) - Chairman

Councillors

Bridget Johns (BJ), Ric Outhwaite (RO),

Also in attendance

Susan Denham-Smith – Clerk (SDS), Gwynneth Everett - CBC - (GE) Steven Morgan – CBC – (SM) Rachel Oakley (ROY) and Tom Burditt (Wild Ennerdale Partnership)

Members of the Public

Rev Ian Parker and 3 others

Minute	Item	ACTION
Number		
311/07/19	Apologies for Absence	
	Muir Lachlan (ML), Richard Taylor (RT)	
	Meeting Note. Cllr Johns arrived at the meeting at 7:30 (due to family	
	commitments) and as such the Council was not quorate until this time.	
	The meeting was therefore begun with Public Participation items until	
	such time as the full Council was present.	
312/07/19	Declarations of Interest	
	Resolved:	
	 that Councillors had all signed and updated the Declaration of 	
	Interest sheet dated 10 July 2019 in the Declaration of Interest	
	Folder.	
313/07/19	Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting Held	
	on 8 May 2019	
	Resolved: that the minutes of the meeting of Ennerdale and Kinniside	
	Parish Council held on 8 May 2019 be signed as a true record by the	
	Chairman.	
314/07/19	Co-option of new Councillor	
	The Council has two vacancies for new Councillors. The vacancies	
	are advertised on the noticeboard, newsletter and website	
	Rev Parker believed he had been approached by a possible volunteer	IP
	and would follow this up and inform the Clerk of the candidate's	
	details.	
315/07/19	Public Participation	
	Members of the public:	
	 queried why the application for plans for an 11 house 	
	development on the Kirkland Road had been withdrawn.	
	Councillors were not able to give a reason as none had been	
	forthcoming from CBC.	

- queried why the Highways dpt were carrying out surveys regarding the possibility of traffic calming measures to create single file traffic over Tom Butt bridge and wondered if there has been any connection to the housing development.
 Concern was raised that if traffic calming were put in place residents would not have adequate line of sight to exit the lonning safely. They had been led to believe by the surveyors that the report was commissioned by the developers of the proposed housing estate.
- raised concern about cyclist signs coming into the village too fast and without due attention to traffic coming round the bend and suggested new signage be sought. Also the bridge warning sign had been pushed out of place

The clerk explained that the issue was already being looked into and had been minuted in the Highways report section of previous meetings. Also that any member of the public can report a highways fault including signage on the CCC Highways Fault Reporting web site (HIMS) and suggested that the member of the public did so.

 Rev Parker raised concern that timber lorries would be starting to travel through the village in Autumn. He requested to know which direction of travel, at what times and if there was a provision for school times to be avoided

ROY – confirmed that the route and safety issues would be addressed in the contract, although the start date and exact routing were still to be agreed. She would provide further updates as they became available.

316/07/19

County and Borough Council Updates Cllr Gwynneth Everett and Steven Morgan (CBC) Cllr Lamb (CCC)

Clir Lamb was not present but had forwarded an update before the meeting which was circulated to all Councillors

Speed Limit Review

The request was assessed as part of the Copeland Speed Limit Review and was not progressed as a proposal this time. This is because the review is not to implement large scale schemes, but to tidy up the order and extents of limits with a couple of new limits that require very little in the way of engineering measures.

As highlighted in the Capita report, Ennerdale Bridge could be suitable for a 20mph zone in the future, should additional traffic calming features be installed at points to achieve compliance with the lower speed limit. As you will appreciate, this is a much larger scheme and requires much more from both legal and funding perspectives.

Vicarage Lane

Highways are looking at the issue of why the second half of Vicarage Lane was not adopted. I am waiting on feedback on this.

Off Road Footpath - Wath Brow to Ennerdale

Waiting on feedback from meeting between Highways and Capita about the scoping document for the proposal. I will feedback on this to Ric and to the next RNEC meeting.

Clirs Everett and Morgan have both been co-opted onto the Mayor's executive with wide ranging portfolios.

Amongst Cllr Everett's areas are the Children's Charter and Health and Wellbeing

Cllr Morgan is responsible for Commercial Services Tourism and commercial ventures. Current projects include,

- a scheme to accelerate the planning process which will require planning officers to be on site
- funeral service for burial and not just cremation for those without means
- Landscaping for parks and gardens services and home repairs.
- Tourism package deals for West Cumbria including building a service for guided tours

Resolved:

Cllrs Everett and Morgan to email the list of their portfolios for the Councillors' information to the Clerk.

GE/SM

Cllr Morgan commented on the motion of Lamplugh possibly being expanding into the National Park and wanted to know the Councillor's viewpoint

After some discussion including Tom Burditt of the National Trust the ideas that it was a huge undertaking which would be best served if it were carried out jointly by all the parties involved in applying for LDNPA status with an advocate such as Friends of the Lake District. It would however be of interest to the Ennerdale Parish Council to resolve the issue that the village is split between the Copeland and LDNP planning authorities.

Note: These discussions did not form the basis for any proposal or resolution by the Council.

317/07/19

The Gather/parking (Cllr Denham-Smith and Phil Saunders Gather Chairman)

- Parking problem hotspots in the village including around The Gather
- Review of Planning and Development at The Gather

Cllr Denham-Smith introduced Phil Saunders Chairman of The Ennerdale Hub and explained that parking problems had been growing in the village, and had been discussed at previous meetings of the Parish Council. Of particular concern was that parking at the Gather was attracting many more cars than the car park was planned for and the number of visitors had increased from that originally envisaged.

Phil Saunders expressed understanding that parking was a problem and admitted that there was no long-term solution on the table. After discussion it was concluded that the proposals for an expansion of the car park to up to 11 cars had been tabled in the past but had been objected to by the PC on the basis of impact to neighbouring properties. It was agreed that nothing could be done directly to prevent the illegal and dangerous parking on the corners and paths around The Gather.

Resolved:

- Cllr Outhwaite to assist Phil Saunders in reviewing the options for improving the parking in the current parking location with a view to making a formal application for change of the layout to maximise the space for parking possibly to 11 spaces with proper markings.
- Phil agreed that staff and volunteers should be encouraged to park off-site in order that the spaces closest to The Gather remain available for visitors.
- The Gather representatives will work with the PC in order to find a long-term solution to the increased volume of traffic created by The Gather particularly at peak times.

Review of Planning and development at The Gather

Cllr Denham-Smith commented that since the Gather had been opened it had developed beyond its original concept as a Visitor Centre with community rooms and a small café serving the local community.

A particular issue was raised where a long running local village initiative (the Fox and Hounds Craft Group) have potentially been undermined by parallel activities organised by the Gather.

A member of the public asked what the legal status of the Gather was as a Industrial and Provident Society. Phil Saunders confirmed that it was a business which is owned by its community of shareholders, not limited solely to the community of the Ennerdale Village. As such it has to bring in money to maintain the asset.

Cllr Outhwaite commented that The Gather's concept was to serve the Ennerdale Community.

Phil Saunders apologised that he had not been in post for very long (since August 2018) and was trying to catch up with the history of the development and any misunderstanding with the Fox and Hounds Craft Club.

Resolved:

Cllrs Denham-Smith and Johns to meet with Phil Saunders to discuss the requirements of the Big Lottery Grant Fund with regards to feedback and performance monitoring in line with the planning requirement and to discuss the way forward to improve the way the Council and the Gather can better communicate with each other and serve The Ennerdale Community.

BJ/MDS

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318/07/19

Wild Ennerdale - Rachel Oakley and Tom Burditt

Rachel Oakley update provided

Harvesting update - valley wide plans
 Due to commence late summer 2019 until late 2020 – 2021
 Euroforest is the contractor and details being worked up.
 The Purpose is to shift spruce dominated forest, to open up the valley bottom and make space to plant native traditional trees to create a more rich and mixed landscape.

They are clearing 5 fellsides starting at the west end at Crag /Bowness Knott to reduce mature larch and larch disease Further up at Middle bridge and to the west Memorial Bridge and up to Dubbs Quarry. There has been recent work by Metcalfes to repair the track and provide spaces for timber stacking.

Volunteer summer programme

Average 8-10 volunteers per work party (Tuesday's) There are 20 on the database and have undertaken 1500hrs of work this year.

Rhododendron control - Moss Dubs

Footpath clearance/maintenance – Scarth's Gap, Pillar, High Beck

Long Term Monitoring Network with NE- SSSI monitoring – Steeple

Fence removal (redundant fencing)

Archaeological sites monitoring & maintenance

Marsh Fritillary monitoring

Drainage works, Western Lakeshore

Litter picking

Car park strimming

Wild100 event

Marking centenary of Forestry Commission. England's largest land manager with 1,500 forests. Range of events nationally during 2019.

Ennerdale event is in November with 1 week set aside to begin the valley head planting (broadleaves). Over 100 guests will be invited – main planting date is Wed 20th Nov, but invitees may come throughout the week Fri 15th – Fri 22nd. Main base @ Ennerdale YHA. There will be a separate event organised with the School

• Lakeshore Walk - Tue 25th June

Diane led an event (follows on from last Sept LME walk) to talk about the various projects within western valley area. Topics included were Ben Gill, Freshwater Mussels, grazing patterns, wider water catchment management, sustainable land management (SLM) and the lakeshore revetment at the Old Anglers (due to be removed this summer or next).

14 people attended (inc. visitors from Maryport & Workington).

Species reintroduction feasibility

	Investigating the potential for beaver reintroduction the valley (east of Ennerdale Water). Taking advice from UK national experts in the field and working up a project proposal. • Land, Outdoors & Nature (LON) training LON forms key part of National Trust's 2025 strategy. Focus is on understanding, and making improvements to, land (& water) condition. Primarily working with tenant farmers. All General Managers nationally attend a LON 4 day training programme. The Lakes (Ennerdale & Windermere) chosen as sites to host training. Over 100 GM's have now visited Ennerdale on 4 occasions over the last 18 months (base at LGFC) and spent a day out with the Wild Ennerdale team. This then gets cascaded back to relevant properties and teams across the NT portfolio.	
	 Thank you to Chris Ayling for his support for Wild Ennerdale. John Muir award with the school 	
	The issue of a recent discovery of Himalayan Balsam in the village was discussed	
	Resolved: Clerk to copy Rachel in to the emails to see if the Volunteers are able to help pulling it.	SDS/ROY
	Tom Burditt – National Trust Sustainable Land Management (SLM) "Finding a more sustainable way to better manage the land and its resources for multiple purposes and benefits"	
	Tom Burditt will provide an update on SLM process for Ennerdale	
	It is a long-term ambition projecting to 2065 suggesting how best to manage the long-term future of the valley. He highlighted 6 functions which should be considered in equal measure when planning future management and outcomes for the valley. He explained how incredibly special Ennerdale was in terms of all the 6 areas and the role they have in connecting to the community. The report was made available to the Councillors and Tom was happy to discuss its contents with other, however it is not approved for publication.	
319/07/19	Planning Application 11 Dwellings, Kirkland Road, Ennerdale Bridge (Cllr Outhwaite) The application has been withdrawn with no explanation.	
	Progress Reports Due to the absence of Cllrs Lachlan and Taylor their progress reports, where they had been submitted in writing were accepted as having been read by Councillors present with a view to any actions/resolutions being deferred until the September meeting.	
320/07/19	A: Clerk's report (incl. outstanding actions, correspondence and planning)	
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The full Clerk's Report is issued to Councillors prior to the meeting detailing all outstanding actions and correspondence received, including planning applications.

Clerk Actions from meeting 8 May 2019

There were no outstanding actions

The following correspondence was received and is to be considered by Councillors for comment or action.

It was resolved that:

the Clerk's Report be accepted with the following actions to be completed.

Date	Correspondence	Resolutions Taken
16/5/19	BHIB Insurance renewal confirmation	Clerk copy PL certificate for display
4/6/19	Grant application £150 Lakesiders Christmas Party	Not to offer a grant this year
10 th & 17/6/19	123 Reg renewals for Domain name and web hosting	See Council Finances
12/6/19	Cardiac Science/C Abbot copy of Defib VAT invoice	VAT refund when applied
13/6/19	CBC Electoral Services review of Polling Districts for comment by 24 July 2019	No comments
24/6/19	LDNPA Landscape Character Consultation extension to 15 July 2019	No comments
4/7/19	Nick Hayhurst – 11 house development application has been withdrawn	Clerk informed residents
5/7/19	Karin Crofts Hamalayan Balasm in Bridge Park and locations in the village call to action	To ask Wild Ennerdale Volunteers to help pulling and clearing outbreaks and to distribute literature around the village/in Contact magazine. Clerk to write to Rivers trust for information.

SDS/ROY

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All relevant electronic mail has been forwarded to councillors

Planning:

Correspondence or applications received between meetings:

Planning Applications received

Reference: 7/2019/4041

Location: Land at Lowmoor End and Broadmoor Plantation,

Ennerdale Bridge (map)

Proposal: Construction of a multi user track and a footbridge

Reply by: 25 June 2019

Reply to: planning@lakedistrict.gov.uk

	replied 4/6/19 "no objections"					
	Reference: 7/2019/4057 Location: Long Moor Head, Kinniside, Cleator Moor, CA23 3AG (map) Proposal: Alterations to existing barn to provide domestic living accommodation Reply by: 31 July 2019 Reply to: planning@lakedistrict.gov.uk Reference: 7/2019/4058 (Listed building application) Location: Long Moor Head, Kinniside, Cleator Moor, CA23 3AG (map) Proposal: Alterations to existing barn to provide domestic living accommodation Reply by: 31 July 2019 Reply to: planning@lakedistrict.gov.uk					
	Planning Applications Granted/Refused					
	Reference: 4/18/2071/0F1 - Location: Land Adjacent to Kirkland Road, Ennerdale Bridge - Proposal: 11 dwelling development Reply by: Initially 28 days from date of the letter 7 January – extension granted until 1 February 2019 Reply to: Copeland Borough Council					
	Reply to: <u>Copeland Borough Council</u>					
	Application Withdrawn 4/7/19					
	Additional Duties Submission of Declaration or Interest, Acceptance of Office and Election Expenses forms to Electoral Services at CBC					
321/07/19	B: Defibrillator Project – (Cllrs Outhwaite)					
	The Memorandum of Understanding has been signed and replies to North West Ambulance Service regarding registration and maintenance of the Defibrillator have been completed.					
	Resolved:					
	 Cllr Johns will continue to check the defibrillator on a weekly basis and complete electronic reports to NWAS on a monthly basis. 					
322/07/19	Clerk Submit Signed MOU C:GDPR (Cllr Denham-Smith)	SDS				
322/07/13	Resolved: Update deferred to September					
323/07/19	D: Village Open Spaces Maintenance (Cllrs Outhwaite/Lachlan/D-Smith)					
	Cllr Taylor DEFRA Visit re responsibilities associated with common land ownership					
	Reducing the heights of hedges flanking footpaths – quote from contractor					
	Off-road Footpath Cold Fell Road Drainage - Cllr Outhwaite/LDNPA					

	Dust Levels on forest track to Gillerthwaite	
	Resolved:	
	Update in September	
324/07/19	E: Highways Issues : to consider and raise issues of concern regarding the highways. Cllr Lachlan circulates a full report of actions taken and matters discussed with The Highways Department to Councillors prior to the meeting:	
	Resolved: Update in September	
325/07/19	F: Cold Fell Action Group (Cllr Lachlan)	
	Resolved: Update in September	
326/07/19	G: Footpath East (Village to Bleach Green) (Cllr Outhwaite) Planning application has been submitted, and tenders for subcontractors are being sent out to allow for a formal grant. The Clerk has received written confirmation that the costs are being underwritten by the LDNPA.	
327/07/19	H: West Coast Travel Plan, Off-Road Footpath/Cycleway - West	
	(between Ennerdale Bridge and Cleator Moor)	
	Resolved: Update in September	
328/07/19	I: Asset Register Consideration of need/use and liability of common land in Parish Ownership/other assets A photographic review of Common Land has been Annexed to the Asset register and published on the web site	
	Resolved: • Cllr Denham-Smith to provide a photographic inventory of the rest of the assets ongoing	MDS
329/07/19	J: Lakeside/Inland Footpath Bleach Green Shore (Cllr Outhwaite) Resolved: Update in September	
330/07/19	Review of Governance Documents Resolve to:	
	 Update standing Orders in accordance with Legal briefing L09-18 NALC 2018 	
	Cllr Denham-Smith to review the SOs Resolved:	MDS
332/07/19	Update in September The Mill Historic Value and Listed Building Status Application	
	(Cllr Taylor)	
	Cllr Outhwaite to contact the Department of Culture Media and Sport and make an application	RO
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	Resolved:					
	Update in Se	eptembe	er			
333/07/19	Neighbourh 2 concerns f		atch and Police repo are	orts		
334/07/19			Council Finar	nce		
	To consider any payments and/or grants to be made, receive updates on Financial News from the Clerk and receive an updated bank reconciliation.					
	 Confirmation of exemption from Limited Assurance Review granted by PFK Littlejohn Notice of Exercise of Public Rights (of unaudited accounts) published (on web site and noticeboard) on 7 June 2019 to run from 11 June to 23 July 2019 (Clerk) Application for £150 from Lakesiders Christmas Meal. Payments 123Reg Web hosting and domain Clerk Salary (Qtr 1 April, May June), expenses and holiday pay CBC – Election expenses. Cumbria Payroll Services Annual Invoice Resolved: not to make offer a grant to the Lakesiders 					
	• to	make th	ne following payment	S:		
	Date	Voucher Number	Payee	Descri ption	Amount	Cheque number
	10 July 2019	0081	Susan Denham-Smith	123 reg Domain Name 123 reg	£ 11.99	000562
	10 July 2019	0082	Susan Denham-Smith	web hosting	£ 35.86	000562
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	Cllr Denham-Smith attended the Lamplugh and Ennerdale Sports Meet to hand out the prizes on behalf of the Parish Council who provided a grant for the event	
336/07/19	Items for the next meeting: for Councillors to suggest items for the next agenda:	
	Date of the next meeting: <u>Wednesday 11 September 2019</u> <u>7:00pm</u>	
	Meeting Closed at 21:37hrs	
	Chairman	
•	Date	