Ennerdale & Kinniside Parish Council

Clerk to the Council: Susan Denham-Smith, Routen Farm, Ennerdale, Cleator, Cumbria, CA23 3AU. Tel: 01946 861270

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 13 November 2019 in St Mary's Church Ennerdale Bridge at 7.30pm

Present

Cllrs Denham-Smith (MD-S) - Chairman

Councillors

Bridget Johns (BJ), Ric Outhwaite (RO), Richard Taylor (RT) Muir Lachlan (ML)

Co-opted Councillors during the meeting

Deniel Young (DY), Neit Hardisty (NH)

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Also in attendance

Susan Denham-Smith – Clerk (SDS), Gwynneth Everett - CBC - (GE) Arthur Lamb – CCC – (AL)

Wild Ennerdale and Forestry England

Rachel Oakley (ROY), Gareth Browning (GB), Duncan Crawford (DC)

Members of the Public

Rev Ian Parker (IP), Margaret Younghusband, Mike Blackhurst

Minute Number	Item	ACTION
362/11/19	Apologies for Absence	
	Steve Morgan - CBC	
363/11/19	Declarations of Interest	
	Resolved:	
	 that Councillors had all signed and updated the Declaration of Interest sheet dated 13 November 2019 in the Declaration of Interest Folder and Neil Hardisty and Daniel Young presented the Clerk with completed forms, The Clerk Read out the interests declared to the meeting. 	
	Clerk to forward copies of the New Counillors' Declarations of	
	Interest to CBC and upload them to the website.	SDS
364/11/19	Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting Held on 11 September 2019	
	Resolved: that the minutes of the meeting of Ennerdale and Kinniside	
	Parish Council held on 11 September be signed as a true record by the Chairman.	
365/11/19	Co-option of new Councillor	
	Neil Hardisty and Daniel Young were in attendance and both signed	
	the Acceptance of Office form which was countersigned by the Clerk. Resolved:	
	to co-opt Neil Hardisty and Daniel Young as Councillors on the Ennerdale and Kinniside Parish Council.	SDS
366/11/19	Public Participation	300
300/11/19	Members of the public were in attendance to express their concerns regarding the proposed 9 dwelling development on Kirkland Road. Application number CH/4/19/2397/0F1. The following points were raised:	

367/11/19	be small, affordable and having regard to all relevant considerations including long term control over occupation", would be harder to overcome. Resolutions: Cllr Outhwaite to attend meetings arranged by concerned residents to capture their comments Clerk to Contact CBC to request an extension of time to reply until after the January meeting Site meeting with Highways to be arranged AL to inform CCC Councillors, as this type of development does not get forwarded to them automatically, and raise the issue of visibility for the access road onto the highway. As this is a new application all residents need to be informed that they have to write any objection letters again as old objections will not be considered. County and Borough Council Updates Cllr Gwynneth Everett Cllr Lamb (CCC) Cllr Everett Reported: Health and Wellbeing – MIND have moved out of Copeland. Copeland Age and Advise Service (CAAS) are filling the gap. Giving advice – they are running a service that had previously been run by Age UK West Cumbria.	RO SDS ML AL Residents' represent atives
	 Concern for the size of the front driveways, which may cause problems with run-off in heavy rain. RO confirmed that the drives are hard standing. The water will be sent to a holding tank and then taken away as previous application. Noticeable differences between this and the previous application is that it has included the lonning in the application site and within this ownership it can provide an improved road surface, a pathway to the village, a footpath across the bridge and a priority traffic system. They have removed the affordable housing element. There are no 2 bedroomed houses. A resident commented that the lonning was not suitable and the junction line of sight was not suitable. More water going under the bridge will be damaging. Owners of land proposed for the removal of the surface water into culverts have not been contacted for permission. A resident whose septic tank is on the proposed development land has not been contacted for permission to use the land. Cllr Denham-Smith raised the concern that engineering objections can always be overcome with engineering solutions. He advised that objections in-keeping with the aims set out in the Parish Plan (CLP), which states that "developments should" 	

programme have been in schools and anecdotally are having an effect.

Christmas Lights Switch-on Free parking on 16/17 November. Beacon Sparks programme launched 2020 - depictions of Whitehaven in bygone years.

3 Tier Meeting introducing the Copeland plan in in the agenda.

Cllr Lachlan commented on a change of wording in a Council statement regarding GDF (Geological Disposal Facility) and questioned if the Council's position had changed. Cllr Everett confirmed that CBC would support a nuclear waste deep repository and their position has not changed just the wording in the statement.

CIIr Lamb

The contract for Children's services in Cumbria has been lost by the current supplier Howgill to Family Action based in London. Cllr Lamb commented that he had called in an investigation as to why it had been lost to a national company. CCC had commented that there had only been 2 bidders and Family Action was deemed a higher quality bid. At a reconciliation meeting CCC admitted there were faults in pre public consultation, however, a decision was made to drop any further investigation so that the TUPE process and smooth hand-over of the service is not affected.

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Wild Ennerdale

In addition to the regular update by Rachel Oakley (Wild Ennerdale) Gareth Browning – Forestry England was invited together with Duncan Crawford (FE Ranger) to talk about the Forestry England's long term plans and strategy for the valley

Rachel Oakley

- The re-introduction of Beavers is planned on a 3 year timescale. A fact-finding team has been to Scotland Dunkeld and a private estate in Banff. They are now working on a feasibility study and in-river structure to keep the beaver in the upper catchment. GB confirmed they feed on trees and bracken. Their ponds provide environment for animals to grow in the food chain. They get water-stress if they go away from water, so stay close to their home environment.
- Wild 100 big event next week. Invited guests will be planting in the valley head. This marks the centenary of the Forestry Commission. Ennerdale School will take part on Monday 18th. the main event is on Wednesday 20th November.
- It has been a busy year with many requests from groups from all over the UK to see what Wild Ennerdale is achieveing.
 There have been local talks. The biggest event was Easter with 800 visitors recorded.
- Volunteers have recorded over 2500 hours this year and they will be thanked by Wild Wool Barn at a Christmas reception.
- Cllr Lachlan is still working with the Save the Red Squirrels campaign

- This quarter's Partners meeting was postponed due to 100 event.
- An update from Diane (Rivers Trust) re United Utilities had been sent out but was not received by the Clerk or Councillors

Resolved:

ROY to forward the UU update from Diane at the Rivers Trust

ROY/SDS

Cllr Taylor asked if work had been done on improving accessibility to the path around the lake and there had been a complaint by Copeland Disability forum.

Resolved:

Wild Ennerdale to review the initial consultation with the new information from The Copeland Disability Forum, which then needed to be approved by LDNPA and an update be provided at future **Council Meetings**

ROY

Cllr Lachlan requested that a note be made of the fact that a donation of £60 had been raised by an event at the Gather had been handed to him for the project. He was happy to log and share information on how it was spent.

Gareth Browning (Forestry England)

The current harvesting plan should have begun in 2014 However due to the appearance of Phytophthora (larch disease) this work was undertaken instead.

Machinery has started to be brought into the valley.

Overview

Some areas of the valley will be thinned and felled with aim of completiong 2021.

Thinning - approx. 20% of trees mostly 10-12m for conifers and higher for broadleaves will be removed. The aim is to diversify from 1-2 species to 10-12 species a year and reduce spruce dominance. Due to climate change and the expectation of more wind, the trees need to be "wind-firmed", giving them space to open up the crowns so they blow around more to encourage root growth.

There are 4 areas being completely felled.

1. Crag Wood will be hard to fell completely as it has many fallen trees and is on a slope making it difficult to harvest.

They plan to extend the native woodland to the west of the craq. The current trees, however have larch disease. with the result that this area will harvested last due to practical and economic factors

2. West below Bowness Knott to Herdus there are plans to plant with native trees and create a new native woodland

- 3. East end of the valley removing pine from the valley bottom is a difficult job due to its boggy nature.
- 4. Removing spruce on the road to Pillar down to the Memorial Bridge will open up the valley bottom of the Liza.

Resolved:

that the Common Land (owned by the Parish Council) on Bowness Knott in the SSI and opposite the Irish Bridge has mature larch in it and should be cleared to the same standards as the other areas.

GB

Health and Safety issues Forestry England recognise that people enjoy the area from Easter to October, therefore the popular lakeshore rights of way will not be impacted during this time.

Access to YHA cannot be completely stopped, therefore 2 bankspersons, signage, cone and tape zones will be in place. From the Irish Bridge to the field centre is a difficult area. The ground is steep and big timber will have to be felled/removed onto the forest road. There will be periods of 3 hours ie 9-12 and 1-4pm when the work will have to be carried out and walkers and riders will be diverted onto footpaths.

GB has spoken to the family at the field centre and the YHA regarding access especially at peak times. Bowness Knott car park will be closed. The overflow car park will be available and an area of the field at Bowness Cottage will be marked out for parking. Information boards will be set up to show the access.

It will not always be possible to walk both sides of the valley on the same day.

Cllr Lachlan requested that the notices were sent to all stakeholders ie B&Bs etc

GB confirmed that the lorry route does go past the school but outside of school peak times and up to Kirkland, not over the bridge in Ennerdale. The haulage plan is available on CCC website which has an approved set of maps for routes for timber haulage.

It is also specifically written in the contract that no lorries will drive past the school weekdays at arrival and leaving time.

Cogra Moss, Felldyke and Lowther Forest extraction lorries follow different routes.

Cllr Outhwaite highlighted the problem for walkers through Crag Wood if they are approaching from the East and are not aware of felling. Cllrs suggested that the closure of the route could be advertised in Walking magazines like Lakeland Walker, and with fell running clubs.

GB confirmed the access to the footpath on Crag Fell would be closed for 2-3 months.

Clir Taylor spoke of a problem with the size, speed of the lorries and with them travelling in groups resulting in what seems like inconsiderate driving and road-hogging. Others disagreed that this was a problem.	
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At the Highways site meeting on 4 October the issue was passed to the traffic team for an assessment and recommendations	
Resolved: • Cllr Lachlan to include the action of the traffic team assessment in the Highways report.	ML
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	_	Progress	Reports	
371/11/19	A: Clerk's report (incl. outstanding actions, correspondence and planning)			
	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 11 September 2019 340/09/19 Co-option Documents sent and followed up to new Councillors (SDS - complete) 342/09/19 Open Spaces Assessment feedback sent re inaccuracies in the report (SDS - complete)			
	316/07/19	Councillor Actions - no	t covered in Progress reports. Everett and Morgan (received	
	342/09/19	and distributed) GE to speak to SM re f (TBC)	footpath West to Cleator Moor	GE
	342/09/19			
	317/07/19/346/09/19 The Gather - Parking Plans (RO) Community Engagement (BJ) (Cllr MD-S meeting with John Slater to discuss Parking Planning Permission)			
	Other outstanding items are covered in Progress Reports below 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	
	1/11/19	Sonia Hutchinson – CALC Effective Councillor Training	Clerk to arrange date for training with 3 new Councillors in Ennerdale Bridge and offer it out to other Councils	SDS
	8/11/19	CALC Planning training sessions	No Action required	
	10/11/19	Planning Application 9 house development CH/4/19/2397/0F1	Cllr Outhwaite and other Councillors to attend Concerned Residents Meetings to observe and advise where appropriate.	RO/ALL
	13/11/19	CALC 3 Tier meeting postponed	No Action required	
	All relevan	t electronic mail has been	forwarded to councillors	
	Planning: Correspon	idence or applications rece	eived between meetings:	

	Reference: 7/2019/4080 Location: Bracken Wreay Farm, Kinniside, CA23 3AG (map) Proposal: Installation of new sewage treatment plant and connection to existing foul drainage system with new pipework and inspection chambers to serve existing dwelling. Existing defective tank to be made redundant. Reply by: 12 November 2019 Reply to: planning@lakedistrict.gov.uk	
	No Objections replied 28/10/19	
	Reference: CH/4/19/2397/0F1 Location: Land adjacent to Kirkland Road Proposal: 9 house development. Reply by: 28 November 2019 Reply to info@copelandbc.gov.uk	
	 Resolved: Clerk to seek an extension of time to reply from CBC considering the size and complexity of the proposal and the need for a new site visit. 	SDS
	 Cllr Outhwaite to attend Concerned Residents' Meeting and revisit his suggested report from the previous proposal in the light of any changes and comments made by the residents. 	RO
	 to reply in principal with the same objections as before, incorporating any comments relevant to the updated proposal. 	SDS/RO
	Pre Planning information	
	None this month	
	Planning Applications Granted/Refused Application Number: 7/2019/4081 Location: North West shore of Ennerdale Lake Proposal: To re-naturalise approximately 50 metres of bank alor north west shore of Ennerdale Water	
	Permission Granted 29/10/19 <u>Appeal</u>	
	The Town and Country Planning (Appeals) (Written Representations Procedure) (England) Regulations 2009 as amended	
	Reference: 7/2018/4107 Appeal by: Mr & Mrs Dean Site: Greenthwaite, Ennerdale, Cleator, CA23 3AR	
	Reply by 12 November 2020 – replied as reconfirmation of original objections. 4/11/19	
372/11/19	B: Defibrillator Project – (Cllrs Outhwaite) Cllrs Johns is now sending regular electronic reports to NWAS on the checks and status of the Defibrillator Resolved:	
	Cllr Johns to follow up a query as to a red light on the unit with Arlecdon First Responders	BJ/SDS
373/11/19	C:GDPR (Cllr Denham-Smith) Resolved:	

	Cllr Denham-Smith to send draft Privacy Statement to	MDS
274/44/40	Councillors for approval	
374/11/19	D: Village Open Spaces Maintenance (Cllrs Outhwaite/Lachlan/D-Smith)	
	Cllr Taylor DEFRA visit re responsibilities associated with common land ownership	
	Resolved:	
	 Forestry England (GB) will include the areas embedded in their land when they are felling and tidy the trees 	
	 Reducing the heights of hedges flanking footpaths annual or biannual work – quote from contractor and co-ordinate work with other land owners 	RT/RO
	Resolved:	
	 Clerk to look into the price of the enhanced search map from the Land Registry with a view to confirming who has the legal responsibility for the hedges 	SDS
	 Cllr Taylor to seek out 2 prices for annual trimming of hedges and reducing the heights were necessary. 	RT
	Coast to Coast Footpath maintenance Cold Fell Road Drainage and Lake Shore Path – Cllrs RO/RT/LDNPA meeting with Steve Tatlock ref 346/09/19 action.	
	Resolved	RT/RO
375/11/19	Cllrs Taylor/Outhwaite to meet with Steve Tatlock E: Highways Issues : to consider and raise issues of concern	1(1/1(0
373/11/19	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 which is summarised below:	
	1. Missing/damaged Road-signs, roundels, finger-posts, etc,.	
	Nr. Middle cattle grid, on the 2 posts already positioned As at 30 th August – Done. Thank you.	
	Sign posts 1) At C4017/C4004 junction - to direct traffic to	
	"Ennerdale Bridge" – Awaiting arms from foundry	
	2) "Ennerdale Water" Sign by Braemar Cottage, due late summer 2020.	
	2. Cold Fell Road Repairs – Work started 11/11/19	
	3. Croasdale Beck Banking Erosion - Kirkland Road, Ennerdale Bridge	
	Bank erosion following heavy flow of beck - opposite "School" sign.	
	Reported to County Highways - Ref: W17145046. – Work complete.	
	4. Application for Public Street status for Grike Corner to Bleach	
	Green – Awaiting Response from Kevin Cosgrove –	
	Resolved:	
	Cllr Lamb to investigate mechanism for application and send to Clerk 5. C4017 Road – Blocked Gullies near Hazel Holme	AL
	Pressure hose work carried out but further work required to dig a trial hole to search for collapsed pipe. Resolved:	
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	Clerk to write to Highways requesting prompt action as it is getting into		
	winter and it is a heavily used access road. 6. C4004 Cold Fell Road – nr. Entrance road to Low Cock How		
	Application for Concealed Junction warning signs to be erected – As at		
	Júly 2019.		
	Laura McLellan replied on 21/08/2019 – Refusal of cyclists Slow-Down		
	warning signs and concealed junction warning signs. Acceptance of		
	provision of Horses warning signs on Cold Fell Road.		
	Resolved:		
	No further action as we have no power to implement these signs		
	7. Entrance to New Barn, Fearon Place – Flooding C4017 Road	Kovin	
	Kevin Thompson to inspect when heavy rain has occurred to verify the	Kevin Thompson	
	level of flooding. Update to follow on next report.	mompson	
	8. <u>Hedge Intrusion C4004 nr The Cloggers, Tom Butt, Ennerdale Bridge</u>		
	Latters were and from the Highway and a setup out to 40 landaw and	IZ av din	
	Letters were sent from the Highways department to 18 landowners where hedge intrusion was problematic. There is some evidence of	Kevin Thompson	
	action being taken. A 2 nd letter will be sent by KT if work has not been	mompson	
	carried out by end November.		
376/11/19	F: Cold Fell Action Group (Cllr Lachlan)		
	Code of Conduct for Sellafield Crew vehicles		
	Resolved:	ML/SDS	
	Cllr Lachlan to provide details for Clerk to contact Howard Rooms	IVIL/SDS	
377/11/19	G: Footpath East (Village to Bleach Green) (Cllr Outhwaite)		
	Resolved: Cllr Denham-Smith to sign regarding grant application	MDS	
378/11/19	H: West Coast Travel Plan, Off-Road Footpath/Cycleway - West	IVIDS	
07 07 17 10	(between Ennerdale Bridge and Cleator Moor)		
	Resolved:	50	
	Cllr Outhwaite to attend meeting next Wednesday 20 November 2019	RO	
379/11/19	I: Asset Register		
	Resolved:		
	Cllr Denham-Smith to provide a photographic inventory of the	1450	
200/44/40	rest of the assets - ongoing	MDS	
380/11/19	J: Lakeside/Inland Footpath Bleach Green Shore (Cllr Outhwaite) This is linked to the inspection of the Cold Fell Footpath with Steve	RO/RT	
	Tatlock LDNPA – 346/11/19	110/111	
381/11/19	Review of Governance Documents		
	Resolve to:		
	Updated standing Orders in accordance with Legal Driefing 1.11.18 NALC 2018		
	briefing L11-18 NALC 2018 Resolved:		
	To accept the updated Standing orders in line with		
	NALC guidelines 2018 and incorporating the changes		
	relevant to our Parish Council		
1	 Clerk to add the Standing Orders to the Web Site 	SDS	

382/11/19	12: Newsletter (Cllr Johns) Agreement on Content - draft to be presented in January meeting for	
	distribution in February Contact Magazine	
	Resolved: Content should include • Hedge cutting, potholes, forestry, parking, 9 dwelling development. • Himalayan Balsam – to be discussed with Mike Watts and Karin (Rivers Trust) to agree appropriate time for information to be included.	BJ SDS
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383/11/19	Council Finance To consider any payments and/or grants to be made, receive updates on Financial News from the Clerk and receive an updated bank reconciliation.	
	 Grant Applications: Ennerdale and Lamplugh Sports Committee, St Mary's grounds upkeep, Lakesiders – Christmas party Appoint Internal Auditor Approve Bank Reconciliation Agree Budget for 2020/21 and set Precept 	
	Payments • No payments at this meeting	
	 Grants to be awarded for year 2020/21: Ennerdale and Lamplugh Sports Committee - £300, St Mary's grounds upkeep - £300 Lakesiders Christmas party - £100.To be paid at the May 2020 meeting. to appoint Chris Draper as Internal Auditor to accept the Bank Reconciliation dated 13 November 2019, of a current account balance of £5938.40. This represents an uncleared balance of £5,974.40 made up of the cleared balance plus an uncleared cheque of £36. The reconciliation was against Bank Statement 234, dated 23/10/19. Agree Budget for 2020/21 as presented by the Clerk with the following amendments: £100 – Defibrillator (per year) £900 – Donations and Grant Applications £250 - Office Costs £1000 – Parish Maintenance Total Provisional Budget - £8,918.00 The Precept will be set and the final budget Accepted at the January 2020 meeting. 	
384/11/19	Councillor Matters Councillor Matters: Feedback from other meetings attended: Items not covered by other agenda items.	

	Cllr Johns met with the managers from the Gather/Ennerdale Centre to talk about community liaison and how they are consulting with the Community. They are setting up a survey using the electronic platform Survey Monkey.	
	Cllr Lamb commented that Ennerdale School are short of governor.	
	CIIr Lachlan commented that the Kinniside Common Association has reported that people are leaving their cars on the common during the daytime and driving in 3s to Sellafield.	
385/11/19	Items for the next meeting: for Councillors to suggest items for the next agenda:	
	Precept and Budget Agreement. Newsletter Draft/content World Heritage Sub Committee feedback.	
	Date of the next meeting: Wednesday 15 January 2020 7:30pm	
	Meeting Closed at 21:21hrs	
	Chairman	
	Date	