

Minutes of the Meeting of Claife Parish Council held on Monday 15 August 2016 at 7.30pm at High Wray Village Hall

Councillors: Dr C Lane (Chairman) Mrs A Brodie Mr S Hilton Mr A Irvine and Mr J Mallett and **Clerk** Mr VM Phillips

Members of the Public: Mrs K Farnworth Mrs E Mallett Mr G Schofield and Mr P Wrobel

Minutes of the Meeting of 19 July 2016 were approved and signed.

Declarations of Interest

The Chairman declared an interest in Item 6(3) on the Agenda - approval of payment to him of the sum of £122-40 in respect of the procurement by him of “No Coaches” signs.

Co-option of Councillor

It was agreed to co-opt Garry Schofield as a Councillor for Claife Upper Ward.

Election of Vice-Chairman

It was resolved that Mr J Mallett be appointed Vice-Chairman for 2016/17.

Council Representatives

- (a) **Hawkshead Market Hall Trust** - it was agreed not to appoint a specific representative but to request the Secretary of the Trust to furnish the Council with Agendas and Minutes of Meetings and to send a Member to Meeting(s) where Council representation was considered to be beneficial; and
- (b) **Hawkshead Grammar School Committee** - the Clerk was asked to ascertain from the Chairman of the Committee, Myles Sandys, the Constitution of the Committee, its business and the number of meetings held each year.

Finance

- (a) **Annual Return 2016:** The Council noted and accepted the approval of the Annual Return by the external auditors. Thanks were due to Garry Schofield for the internal audit.
- (b) **Payment of Accounts:** It was agreed to pay the sum of £122-40 to the Chairman in respect of the procurement by him of 3 “No Coaches” signs.
- (c) The current account showed a balance of £9201-86

Planning Matters

- (a) **Production of a Community Led Plan:**
 - (i) **Proposed off road footpath Hawkshead to Near Sawrey:** Mrs Brodie reported that the Lake District National Park Authority was to pursue a follow up meeting with Mr Fowkes whilst the National Trust was in the process of completing its survey.
 - (iii) **Fibre Broadband:** It was agreed to make a provision in the Accounts of £600-00 in respect of the Council's contribution towards the costs of laying the necessary cable for fibre broadband.
- (b) **Planning Applications:**
 - (i) **Wykefield, Near Sawrey, Ambleside LA22 0JZ - external alterations and single storey extension** - the Council did not approve of metal windows nor did it believe what was proposed was in keeping with the Near Sawrey Conversation Area. However of particular concern was the fact that the owners did not appear to know the method of disposal of waste from the property. The Clerk was asked to write an appropriate letter to the Lake District National Park Authority.
 - (ii) **Waterbarrow, Cunsey** - the Clerk was asked to ascertain the precise status of the access from the Waterbarrow property onto the Cunsey to Far Sawrey road as it appeared to have been recently developed.

County Council

- (a) **Windermere Ferry:** Mrs Brodie reported that Cumbria County Council had been inundated with so many complaints about the operation of the ferry that it had been necessary to recruit additional staff to deal with them.

Claife Parish Council - Land and Other Matters

- (a) **Coach Prohibition Signs:** It was agreed to erect the 3 "No Coaches" signs at the junction of the Wray road on the B5286, at the junction of the Colthouse road immediately following Pool Bridge on the B5285 and at the junction of the Cunsey road at Graythwaite.
- (b) **Storm and Foul Drain Stones Lane Near Sawrey:** the Council noted that the Lake District National Park Authority had replaced the land drainage pipe at the top of Stones Lane to facilitate the draining of water from the lane and alleviate flooding in an adjoining field. It was important that the capacity of the pipe was not exceeded at any time as this could cause flooding of properties downstream.

- (c) **Brathay Marathon:** At a recent meeting a representative of the Brathay Trust gave assurances that future Brathay Marathons would not cause the disruption to residents and businesses which had been experienced at this year's marathon. Concern was expressed at the proposed format of future half marathons and the representative said the Trust would give the issue further consideration.
- (d) **Highway Maintenance:** the Clerk undertook to ascertain from Cumbria Highways the name of the contractor that had recently been re-surfacing roads in the Parish so that it could be requested to remove all the temporary signs strewn over the highways.

Items for the next Agenda

Collection of waste from bins placed at Tarn Hill Playground

Date and time of next Meeting

The next meeting of the Council would be held on Tuesday 4 October 2016 at Braithwaite Hall at 7-30pm.