

KIRKBY THORE PARISH COUNCIL

The minutes of the proceedings of the **AUGUST MONTHLY MEETING** of Kirkby Thore Parish Council (KTPC) held on **Monday 13th of August 2018** at 19:30hrs in Kirkby Thore Memorial Hall.

Present

Chairman: Chris Meldrum (CM)
Councillors: Frank Birkett (FB), Lorna Baker (LB), Malcolm Ridley (MR).

Clerk/RFO: Lindsay Nicholson (LN)

Also in attendance: Stephen Mason, Highways England

Members of the Public: 7

2018/092 Apologies

District Councillor Henry Sawrey-Cookson

2018/093 Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest had been received since the previous meeting.

Resolved: to receive the information.

2018/094 Requests for Dispensation

Malcolm Ridley item 2018/095

Resolved: to receive the information.

2018/095 Presentation from Highways England regarding proposed works to the A66

Stephen Mason attended the meeting on behalf of Highways England. SM gave a presentation about the proposed works and outlined the estimated timescales involved. SM agreed to forward a copy of his presentation for circulation. In Kirkby Thore the works would commence on Friday the 7th of September at 10.00pm until 3.00am the following Monday morning. This would occur for 7 consecutive weekends (including the weekend beginning the 7th of September).

It was noted that Highways England had several measures in place to ensure that HGV's abide by the signs and use the diversions advertised. Potholes and road defects that occur on minor diversion routes as a result of the increased traffic loads will be fixed by Highways England responsively during the works.

Highways England indicated that the large flashing 40mph sign on the A66 near the Bistro would be decommissioned as part of the works and is not scheduled to be replaced.

It was thought that it would be possible for Highways England to meet the parish council's request for a debrief meeting following the works.

Updates on the works and diversions will be posted on Facebook, Twitter and via a text message service. Highways England will also be holding drop-in meeting for residents with concerns on Friday nights at New Squares from 5.00pm until 7.00pm.

Residents expressed concerns about the need for more detailed information about what works would be occurring when and where. SM indicated that a schedule would be made publically



available through a leaflet that would be circulated to all homes in the area. Residents were concerned that the leaflet was coming to residents very late and that more information was needed earlier.

SM agreed to providing some A3 plans for the post office shop window and possibly the school too.

SM was thanked for attending. SM and several members of the public then left the meeting.

Resolved: to receive the information.

2018/096 Minutes of the Last Meeting

The minutes were confirmed as a correct record.

RESOLVED: to accept the minutes and recommendations contained therein.

2018/097 Actions from the previous minutes

2018/097.01 United Utilities Repair Outside Memorial Hall

The reported fault (W1880917172) had been assessed but there was no further update. Clerk to monitor progress.

Resolved: to receive the information. Clerk to monitor progress

Action: LN

2018/097.02 Parking around Town Head Garth and Miller Stone Rise

It was agreed that the clerk would contact PCSO Daiken for some possible weekday evening dates.

Resolved: Councillors to contact clerk.

Action: LN

2018/097.03 18/0275 Thorneycroft, Kirkby Thore: Variation of conditions 2 (Plans Compliance) an 3 (External Materials) for the addition of first floor extension and amendments to materials attached to approval 15/0484.

The clerk had forwarded correspondence to the planning team but no response was given. Further development in regards to the location of the wall occurred. FB corresponded with planning whom indicated that because the wall is less than 1meter in height it is not considered a planning matter. The parish council was referred to Cumbria County Council's Highway's team. The clerk was asked to follow the matter up with Cumbria County Council.

Resolved: clerk to contact CCC

Action: LN

2018/097.04 18/0396 Land Opposite Methodist Chapel, Kirkby Thore: Outline planning application for two dwellings with all matters reserved

The clerk confirmed that the response had been sent to Eden District Council.

Resolved: to receive the information.

2018/097.05 17/0651 Main Street, Kirkby Thore: Outline application for the redevelopment of former nursery and erection of dwellings with associated access

The clerk had been unable to correspond directly with the case officer. An administrator had answered the parish council's email on his behalf indicating that the application was undetermined and that they were unable to provide the parish council with any further information about when a decision would be made. They passed the correspondence the case officer for further consideration.

Resolved: await response from case officer. Clerk to monitor.

Action: LN

2018/097.06 Re-surfacing of the A66

The clerk reported that the correspondence had been sent to Highway's England. The issue of the utility supply pipes was acknowledged by Highway's England and they indicated that they were



liaising with the utility companies to see if a repair at this time was possible. The clerk was asked to thank SM for his presentation at the meeting and request an update on this.
Resolved: to receive the information. Clerk to contact SM **Action: LN**

2018/097.07 Hole in raised footpath adjacent to the A66

The clerk confirmed that the repair had been raised. The hole had been addressed and patched.
Resolved: to receive the information

2018/098 Accounts

2018/098.1 Accounts for Payment

- L Nicholson: Clerk's Salary and Allowances – Aug

Payment approved

- Countrywide Grounds Maintenance: Grass Cutting – Aug

Payment approved

- St Michael's Church: Grant towards cost of grass cutting.

Payment of £250 towards total costs approved.

- Kirkby Thore Memorial Hall and Recreation Committee: Grant towards insurance.

The council agreed to consider the payment at the next meeting if some paperwork with the associated costs could be forwarded to the clerk prior to the meeting.

RESOLVED: to forward payments as approved above.

Action: LN

2018/098.2 Balance Sheet

The clerk presented the balance sheet covering July. The closing balance was £19,824.40.

RESOLVED: To receive the information

2018/098.3 Forecast Update 2018/2019

The forecast was presented and discussed.

Resolved: to receive the information.

2018/099 Correspondence

Items discussed at the meeting included:

2018/099.01 Eden District Council: Gambling Act 2005 Review of Statement of Policy

The clerk outlined the correspondence received. There were no further questions.

Resolved: to receive the information.

2018/099.02 CALC: Devolution of Footway Lighting

The clerk outlined the correspondence received. No further discussion was held at this stage as the devolution of footway lighting was to be discussed later in the meeting in more depth under its own agenda item (min no. 2018/104).

Resolved: to receive the information.

2018/099.03 Cumbria County Council: Drilling at Chapel Lane

Cumbria County Council had assessed the site and the associated sand on the Highway. At the time of their inspection the Highway appeared swept and there were no highway safety issues. The four road gullies Chapel Street to the Post Office junction were inspected and found to be clear along with the 2 outside the Post Office itself. The two gullies just south of Chapel Street junction were found to be blocked. Cumbria County Council indicated that these gullies would be cleaned and rectified as part of the gully cleansing cycle later in the year.

The clerk was asked to contact CCC to establish when the cleansing would occur later in the year. Councillors wished to explore the possibility of pulling it forward to rectify the situation.

Resolved: clerk to contact CCC

Action: LN



Highways England: A66 Surface Works Consultation

The clerk outlined the correspondence received. More detailed information was given during the presentation. There were no further questions at this time.

Resolved: to receive the information

2018/100 Planning Applications and Decisions

2018/100.1 Applications

None received

2018/100.2 Decisions

None received

2018/101 Outside Body Repots

None

2018/102 Highways Issues

None

2018/103 Footpaths

None

2018/104 Devolution of Footway Lighting to the Parish

The information forwarded by CALC on behalf of Eden District Council was considered further. The next deadline that has been given is the end of September. Councillors acknowledged that this was getting particularly close. It was felt that insufficient information had been given by Eden District Council in terms of the contract.

The clerk had been made aware that other parish councils had contact Cumbria County Council in regard to supply and maintenance of footway lights. The clerk was asked to look into this further.

It was felt that not having the lights upgraded to LED would mean that they were no longer viable in the future. The parish therefore needed to consider whether it was going to take on the lights. Councillors felt that this may need to happen. Bearing in mind timescales this would be discussed at the next meeting with the view of making a decision on the devolution of lights subject to the LED upgrade.

The play area at the back of the Memorial Hall was also discussed. The Memorial Hall and Recreation Committee has not to date been approached by Eden District Council. The clerk was asked to find out more information about this.

Resolved: Clerk to find out further information

Action: LN

2018/105 Transparency Fund Project

Councillors confirmed that they were happy for the new website to be launched and the associated email changes to be implemented. The clerk was asked to contact Phil Guest and arrange this.

Resolved: Clerk to organise the launch of the new site and email addresses

Action: LN

2018/106 GDPR

This item was deferred to next month's agenda

Resolved: to receive the information

2018/107 Concerns raised either by Councillors or members of the Parish.



- Residents had raised concern about the rabbit holes on the recreational field. The clerk was asked to forward these concerns to the Memorial Hall Committee. **Action: LN**
- Councillors raised the posters on Main Street. It appears that there are to be works undertaken on Main Street. FB agreed to forward the information of the poster to the clerk. The clerk was asked to find out some further information. **Action: FB / LN**
- Margaret confirmed that the works to the Memorial Hall roof and guttering were now complete. Parish councillors asked if it was possible for the Memorial Hall Committee to contact the parish council confirming that the funds had now been spent.
- LB was thanked for the work she had undertaken on the survey. She indicated that there was more information to collate and that this may be available at the next meeting.

2018/108 Date of the next meeting:

The date of the next meeting was agreed as Monday 3rd of September 2018 at 19.30hrs in the Memorial Hall. MR forwarded his apologies for this meeting as he would be unable to attend.

Resolved: to receive the information

CM closed the meeting at 21:54 hrs

Please note: all Parish Council meetings are open to members of the Public.

