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Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 5th November 2015, at 7.30 pm in the Buccleuch Hall, Lindal.

Present:-

Councillors Mr A Waite; Mr R Lord; Mrs S Glover; Mr D Howarth; Mrs S Kelly.

Also present: 2 members of the public were present.

In attendance:-

PCSO Louise Johns, Cumbria Constabulary. Apologies from County Councillor Doughty

102/15 Urgent business. Items normally needing to be publicised but received too late for the agenda. (Section 100B (4) (b) Local Government Act 1972)

- a) The Clerk reported that details had been received from Cumbria County Council regarding the proposed extinguishment of part of footpath 602022, adjacent to Lindal Business Park. The County Council had failed to notify the Parish Council of this application and comment was now required urgently. The Chairman confirmed that the matter could be dealt with under Agenda Item 11, "Any Other Business".
- b) The Clerk reported that a further planning application regarding the refrigeration units at Lindal Moor Abattoir had been submitted and that a response was required within 21 days ie before the next meeting. The Chairman confirmed that this could be discussed under Agenda tem 8, "Planning Applications relating to the Parish".

103/15 Disclosure of interests. Requests for dispensations.

- a) Councillor Mrs Glover declared an interest in Agenda Item 10 (c), a request for financial assistance by St Peter's Church, in that she was a member of the Parochial Church Council. Councillor Mrs Glover would take no part in discussions on that item.
- b) Councillor Howarth declared an interest in Agenda item 10 (b), a request for a donation towards the Senior Citizens', Party in that he was a member of the Buccleuch Hall's management committee. Councillor Howarth would take no part in discussions on that item.

104/15 Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 1st October, 2015.

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 1st October 2015 were taken as read and APPROVED.

PROPOSED:- Councillor Lord. SECONDED:- Councillor Howarth.

Carried unanimously.

105/15 Matters arising from those minutes.

- a) Councillor Lord raised two matters:-
- 94/15 (c) Whether there was any progress on the no-entry/one-way signs for the lane alongside Hempland Cottages. The Clerk reported that despite further pressure from himself this matter was still outstanding.
 - 94/15 (b) Whether there had been any response from John Woodcock, MP, on the subject of the Safari Park. The Clerk confirmed that no response had been received.
- b) 100/15 (b) Councillor Waite suggested that the amount of £50 which would normally be allocated for the Marton Christmas Tree might restrict the size of tree: Councillor Howarth indicated that he would make enquiries as to what might be available.
- c) 99/15 (a) Councillor Waite also referred to this year's budget having an amount of £500 included for maintenance of the information kiosks in Lindal and Marton. He had agreed that a local resident who had volunteered to paint the Marton kiosk should be reimbursed the cost of materials, £30.60. It was agreed that this would be confirmed under Agenda item 10, "Finance".

106/15 Attendance of officer from Cumbria Constabulary.

PCSO Johns reported that there was only one incident to report for October, a theft from Dalton Motor Breakers premises.

107/15 Wild Flower development, Lindal village green.

The Clerk reported that he had had further discussions with Mrs Katy Millard, from Barrow's parks department, on the subject of the wild flower development on the grass strip around Lindal village green. Whilst last year's efforts were disappointing it did not necessarily mean that no further attempts should be made to enhance the appearance of the green in this way: as previously agreed, Mrs Millard had given further consideration to alternatives and was suggesting that bulbs could be planted ie, daffodils, crocus and muscari with, perhaps, cyclamen around various trees. The cost would be around £250 - £270 with the Clerk confirming that an amount had been included in this year's budget for such development.

Mrs Millard would arrange for the grass strip to be prepared and re-seeded but suggested that, as with some other schools in the Borough, the Parish Council might like to approach LAMPS to see if they would like to participate in the planting of any bulbs.

It was PROPOSED by Councillor Mrs Glover and SECONDED by Councillor Lord that the Parish Council agree in principle to Mrs Millard's suggestions. Carried unanimously.

Insofar as the planting arrangements were concerned PCSO Johns offered to raise the matter with LAMPS the next time she was in the school and Councillor Howarth would discuss with Wax Lyrical the possibility of some sponsorship for this development.

108/15 Planning applications relating to the Parish.

- a) *B18/2015/0653. Solar farm, Lindal Business Park.* The plan indicating the site of the proposed solar farm was examined, together with the map showing the public footpaths in that area and it appeared that public footpath no. 602023 ran adjacent to the proposed site of the farm. It was, therefore, PROPOSED by Councillor Lord and SECONDED by Councillor Howarth that the Council confirm that it had no objection in principle to the site provided that the integrity of footpath 602023 is preserved. Carried unanimously.
- b) *B18/2015/0674 Relocation of refrigeration units, Lindal Moor Abattoir.* Reference was made to the fact that the refrigeration units, situated on the roofs of outbuildings at the abattoir, had been the subject of complaints from local residents because of noise disturbance. The latest application included re-siting the units to ground level, with appropriate barriers, to protect residents from any noise, with the accompanying expert advice suggesting that the development would resolve the problem. It was PROPOSED by Councillor Lord and SECONDED by Councillor Howarth that the Council express “no comment” on this proposal. Carried unanimously.

109/15 Correspondence.

- a) Planning applications relating to the whole of the Borough. NOTED.
- b) Barrow Council minutes , 21st July to 6th October 2015. NOTED.
- c) Community Information and Safety. (including product recalls.
Electricity North West. Advice in the event of power cuts. (phone 0800 195 4141)
The Clerk would also produce an appropriate notice with this information to go in “Aspects”.
(*All such notices are displayed on the Lindal notice board.*)

110/15 Finance.

- a) Account balances:- *Current - £50: Festivals - £1000.97: Reserve - £4663.80.*
War Memorials:- £1,000
- b) A request was submitted from the Buccleuch Hall Management Committee for a donation, as in previous years, towards the expenses of the Senior Citizens’ Party. It was PROPOSED by Councillor Mrs Kelly and SECONDED by Councillor Lord that an amount of £400 be authorised. Carried unanimously (excluding Councillor Howarth).
- c) The Clerk referred to the annual budget allocation of £350 for St Peter’s Church’s maintenance costs, indicating that the unspent balance brought forward from last year was £41.34 and that if this was added to this year’s allocation, of £350, there was an amount of £391.34 available. He had received invoices for maintenance totalling £367.24 which would still leave a balance of £24.10. It was PROPOSED by Councillor Mrs Kelly and SECONDED by Councillor Lord that the amount of £367.24 be authorised for payment. Carried unanimously (excluding Councillor Mrs Glover).

- d) The Clerk reported that he had received a request for a donation from the North West Air Ambulance. It was PROPOSED by Councillor Mrs Kelly and SECONDED by Councillor Howarth that a sum of £100 be authorised, Carried unanimously.
- e) The Clerk submitted an invoice for £34 in respect of the wreaths supplied by the British Legion for the Remembrance Sunday services. It was PROPOSED by Councillor Mrs Glover and SECONDED by Councillor Mrs Kelly that such amount be authorised.
- f) Further to minute 105/15 (c) above, it was PROPOSED by Councillor Mrs Kelly and SECONDED by Councillor Howarth that the local resident be re-imbursed an amount of £30.60. Carried unanimously.

111/15 Any Other Business.

- a) The Clerk introduced correspondence from Cumbria County Council regarding the proposal to allow the extinguishment of a small portion of public footpath no. 602022 which ran next to the candle factory on the Lindal Business Park. The application for this development was put forward in June 2015 but, regrettably, the County Council failed to ask the Parish Council for its comments. The County Council intended to make an order accepting the proposal although the parish Council could still comment before it was formally agreed. After discussion, when it was accepted that the adjustment to the footpath was a minor one, it was PROPOSED by Councillor Howarth and SECONDED by Councillor Lord that the Council express “no comment” on this application. Carried unanimously.
- b) The Clerk gave an up-date on the scheme to refurbish the two War Memorials, in Lindal and Marton. (*see minute 58/15 (a), July 2015*). A request had been submitted to the War Memorials Trust for financial assistance in August 2015, with the Trust claiming to have replied at the end of August, suggesting that whilst the application appeared to meet the criteria for a grant, further information was needed. The Clerk now had the appropriate correspondence and was proceeding with the application.
- c) It was AGREED that the Remembrance Sunday services at the War Memorials would have Councillor Howarth and the Clerk attending Lindal’s with the Chairman and Councillor Mrs Kelly at Marton.

112/15 Date and Time of Next Meeting.

The Date and Time of the next meeting was confirmed as Thursday, 3rd December 2015, at 7.30 pm in the Buccleuch Hall, Lindal.

NB start-time now back to 7.30 pm until further notice.

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