

# *Lindal and Marton Parish Council*

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## **Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> November 2019, at 7.30 pm in the Buccleuch Hall, Lindal.**

**Present:-** Councillors A Waite; Mrs S Glover; D Howarth; Mrs S Kelly; Mrs C Stringer.

**Also present:-** 1 member of the public was present.

**In attendance:-** Borough Councillor Daniel Edwards  
Apologies from PCSO Johns.

**The Chairman welcomed Councillor Mrs Stringer as a new member, in place of Councillor Lord.**

## **98/19 Urgent business. Items normally needing to be publicised but received too late for the agenda. (Section 100B (4) (b) Local Government Act 1972)**

Planning application B28/2019/0768, the need to fell one sycamore tree, (within the Conservation Area), Church Farm, Lindal. The Chairman confirmed that this could be discussed under agenda item 9, "planning applications relating to the Parish".

## **99/19 Disclosure of interests. Requests for dispensations.**

Councillors Howarth, Mrs Glover and Mrs Stringer were all associated with item 11 (b) on the Agenda, the request for financial assistance towards the Senior Citizens' party, in that they were members of the Buccleuch Hall Management Committee, the organisers of the event. The Chairman confirmed that they could participate in the discussions on this subject because the financial support was a routine, and annual, request and was budgeted for, and thus already approved.

## **100/19 Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2019**

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 2019 were taken as read and APPROVED.

PROPOSED:- Councillor Howarth: SECONDED:- Councillor Mrs Kelly. Carried unanimously with the exception of Councillor Mrs Stringer (not a member in October)

### **101/19 Matters arising from those minutes.**

- a) 91/19 (c) Councillor Howarth queried the situation regarding the Speed Indicator Device – SID – and the problems with HGVs entering the village. The Clerk reported that SID was seemingly allocated to Lindal and Marton for six weeks of the year and that he would be arranging for it to be deployed in the near future. Insofar as the HGVs were concerned he had been advised that the matter had been referred to the traffic team at Cumbria Highways but nothing further had been heard. Reference was also made to HGVs entering Pennington Lane from the A590 when visiting the Playdale premises, with this means of access being too narrow for such vehicles. The Clerk would pursue this matter separately.
- b) 96/19 (a) The Chairman referred to the matter of the salt bin still being unresolved and, *from the floor*, Borough Councillor Edwards undertook to investigate.

### **102/19 Attendance of officer from Cumbria Constabulary**

No representatives from Cumbria Constabulary were in attendance but statistics had been supplied indicating that no crimes had been reported in October.

### **103/19 Annual assessment of Standing Orders, Risk Assessment policy, Internal Audit.**

The Clerk suggested that the Council's Standing Orders and Risk Management Policy documents did not need any amendments other than minor adjustments to the Risk Management document, as had already been indicated to members. Councillor Howarth also confirmed his satisfaction with the Council's financial arrangements after discussing these with the Internal auditor. It was then PROPOSED by Councillor Howarth and SECONDED by Councillor Mrs Glover that the existing arrangements be confirmed as satisfactory. Carried unanimously.

### **104/19 Speed Gun.**

Reference was made to the availability of the Speed Gun which had originally been procured by County Councillor Shirley with funding apparently from Cumbria Constabulary. It now appeared that this item had only been on loan and as a consequence was no longer available. It was also recognised that there were on-going difficulties in attracting sufficient numbers of volunteers from the community in order to use the Gun. In view of these problems it was PROPOSED by Councillor Howarth and SECONDED by Councillor Mrs Glover that the Parish Council accept that the routine monitoring of speeding traffic within the Parish was not possible at the present time.

However, in discussing the problems of speeding vehicles, consideration was given to the merits of the different types of SID instrumentation which were available, and the effectiveness of these compared to the speed gun and it was AGREED that the Clerk would investigate the costs of all such items.

### **105/19 Planning applications relating to the Parish**

- a) *B21/2019/0668. Rear extension, 11 London Road, Lindal.*  
It was PROPOSED by Councillor Howarth and SECONDED by Councillor Mrs Kelly that the Council offer no objections to this application. Carried unanimously.
- b) *B31/2019/0747. Minor amendment to previously approved side extension, Chapel House, Pit Lane, Lindal.*  
It was PROPOSED by Councillor Howarth and SECONDED by Councillor Mrs Glover that the Council offer no objections to the application. Carried unanimously.
- c) *B28/2019/0768, the need to fell one sycamore tree within the Conservation Area, Church Farm, Lindal.*  
It was believed that this tree was considered by a tree surgeon to be in a dangerous condition and that urgent action was needed in order to prevent an accident involving passing vehicles or pedestrians. It was PROPOSED by Councillor Howarth and SECONDED by Councillor Mrs Kelly, that the Council support immediate action in order to prevent harm to the public. Carried unanimously.

### **106/19 Correspondence.**

- a) Planning applications relating to the whole of the Borough. The Clerk confirmed that the latest on-line list from Barrow Borough Council had been received and forwarded to Councillors. NOTED.
- b) Community Information and Safety. (including product recalls.)  
*(all such notices are displayed on the Lindal notice board.)*
- c) Keswick to Barrow Walk, 2<sup>nd</sup> May 21020. NOTED.
- d) Barrow Borough Council had confirmed that trees in the vicinity of Lindal village green would be pruned during the winter months and that a tree on the green, opposite the Buccleuch Hall, had been assessed as being in an unhealthy condition and consequently would be felled.
- e) Cumbria Association of Local Councils, Annual Report. NOTED.

### **107/19 Finance.**

- a) Account balances:- *Current - £50: Festivals - £1004.18 Reserve - £3840.74*
- b) The Clerk referred to two invoices for payment, a) £39.30 in respect of a further supply of dog-waste bags and b) £34 for the two British Legion wreaths supplied for Remembrance Sunday. In addition, there was a request that the Council give a grant towards the Annual Senior Citizens' Christmas Party (£400 in 2018)
- c) It was PROPOSED by Councillor Mrs Kelly and SECONDED by Councillor Waite that items (b) and (c) be approved for payment, together with a grant of £400 towards the Christmas Party. Carried unanimously.

### **108/19 Any Other Business.**

- a) The Chairman commented on flooding on the road past Whitriggs smallholding and also potholes in Marton. The Clerk undertook to report these items as appropriate.
- b) Councillor Mrs Kelly referred to further flooding at Broken Bridge as well as potholes in the road by St Peter' Church, the Clerk confirming that these would be reported. In the context of the flooding it was noted that drains were often blocked by excess leaves and bearing in mind the difficulties in having leaves collected by Barrow Council's

cleansing department it was AGREED that the Clerk would look into the possibility of the part-time employee currently working in Dalton and Askam extending his duties to attend to problems in Lindal. The Clerk would also provide a notice for “Aspects” advising residents that Cumbria County Council had a web-site through which any highways defects could be reported.

- c) Councillor Mrs Stringer asked whether the seat which had been removed from next to the bus shelter on the A590, by Anchor Gardens, was to be repaired/replaced. The Clerk confirmed that it been too dilapidated for repair but undertook to determine the cost of a replacement.
- d) It was reported that a street light adjacent to Guards Road in Lindal was not working and Councillor Mrs Stringer agreed to ascertain the number of such lamp post for the Clerk to report this fault.
- e) *From the floor*, it was reported that congestion with parked vehicles on the road through Marton remained a problem, particularly by the gates leading to the water treatment works and a local farmer’s grazing land. The Clerk undertook to discuss this with Highways to see whether anything could be done to ease the situation.
- f) Councillor Mrs Kelly showed photographs of vehicles causing an obstruction to the entrance to Low Farm Close. The Clerk would supply County Councillor Shirley’s contact details in order that the photographs could be sent to him as evidence that matters such as additional double yellow lines should be considered for the area in question.

### **109/19 Date and Time of next meeting**

The Date and Time of the next meeting was AGREED as Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2019, at 7.30 pm in the Buccleuch Hall, Lindal.

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