

Lindal and Marton Parish Council

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Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Thursday, 4th June, 2020, at 7.30 pm. Due to the restrictions imposed because of the coronavirus pandemic this was a telephone conference meeting.

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

Also present:- No members of the public had asked to be connected.

In attendance:- County/Borough Councillor Ben Shirley;
Apologies:- Cumbria Constabulary.

23/20. Election of Chairman.

It was PROPOSED by Councillor Howarth and SECONDED by Councillor Mrs Kelly that Councillor Waite continue as chairman for the coming year. Carried unanimously.

24/20 Urgent business. Items normally needing to be publicised but received too late for the agenda. (Section 100B (4) (b) Local Government Act 1972)

None.

25/20 Disclosure of interests. Requests for dispensations.

None.

26/20 Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 5th March 2020

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 5th March 2020 were taken as read and APPROVED. .NB. No meetings in April and May because of the coronavirus pandemic.

PROPOSED:- Councillor Howarth: SECONDED:- Councillor Mrs Glover.
Carried unanimously.

27/20 Matters arising from those minutes.

- a) 21/20 (b) The Chairman commented on the broken footpath sign, indicating that the remains had been removed but that no replacement had been installed. The Clerk undertook to follow this up.
- b) 17/20 The Clerk referred to correspondence which had previously been circulated to members on the subject of the A590 and the problem of speeding and noise and the possibility that fixed speed cameras or Speed Indicator Devices (SIDs) might be used more extensively. He was still waiting for further information from Highways England and Cumbria Constabulary. NOTED.
- c) 15/20 The Clerk reported that he been in contact with County/Borough Councillor Shirley regarding potholes and in particular,
 - the suggestion that repair staff would only attend to specific defects, ignoring additional problems in the vicinity;
 - the need for clarification as to how reports of problems which could be the responsibility of either the County Council or Highways England were dealt with.Councillor Shirley undertook to report back on these items.

28/20 Attendance of officer from Cumbria Constabulary

Apologies had been submitted by PCSO Perry. Statistics had been submitted showing limited criminal activity, with one example of criminal damage in March and one public order problem in April. NOTED.

29/20 Amendments to Standing Orders to take account of the coronavirus.

The Clerk referred to the amended Standing Orders, copies of which had been forwarded to members in advance, which confirmed, *inter alia*, that the Council could meet “remotely”, ie., by the use of telephone or video conferencing. In addition, payments could be made by bank transfer rather than by cheque, where appropriate.

It was PROPOSED by Councillor Mrs Kelly and SECONDED by Councillor Howarth that such revisions be approved. Carried unanimously.

30/20 Planning applications relating to the Parish

- a) *B07/2020/0250 Reserved matters (Access; Appearance; Landscaping; Layout and Scale) following outline approval of housing development, London Road, Lindal.*
- b) *B28/2020/0251 Reserved matters (Archaeological Evaluation; Drainage; Highways; Landscaping; Roof materials), housing development London Road.*

It was pointed out that the proposed housing development had been discussed in some detail when the application for Outline Approval had first been submitted, with the Parish Council expressing its concerns over a range of matters. The application had been approved by Barrow Council, the current Reserved Matters applications being essentially the response to the conditions laid down in the Outline approval. It was then PROPOSED by Councillor Howarth and SECONDED by Councillor Mrs Kelly that the Council offer no further comment in respect of both the current applications. Carried unanimously.

- c) *B13/2020/0275. Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of replacement in a different position. Saw Mill cottage, Pennington Lane, Lindal*

It was PROPOSED by Councillor Waite and SECONDED by Councillor Howarth that the Council confirm that it had no objection to the application, being of the opinion that a new-build, in the new position, would enhance the overall appearance of this industrial site. Carried unanimously.

31/20 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.) None.
(all such notices are displayed on the Lindal notice board.)

32/20 Finance.

- a) Account balances:- *Current - £50: Festivals - £1005.02 Reserve - £5270.28*
- b) The Clerk requested confirmation for payments already made to:-
- A Workman, lengthsman, £192 and £171.99.
 - Contribution to children's activity packs, £200. (coronavirus crisis)
- c) Invoices for payment:-
- Membership fee, CALC., £183.18.
 - Council insurance, £171.51.
 - Dog-waste bags, £39.30.
 - The Clerk, petty cash, £71.78 (including Kiosk maintenance, £50)
 - A Workman, lengthsman, £160.

It was PROPOSED by Councillor Mrs Glover and SECONDED by Councillor Mrs Kelly that items (b) and (c) be approved. Carried unanimously. NB. All payments now to be by bank transfer, where appropriate.

- d) Annual Audit. Certificate of Exemption. The Clerk confirmed that this certified that the Council's turnover was less than £25,000 pa which then meant that the Audit Documents, containing details of the Council's income and expenditure, would not be required by the national Auditors. Instead, such material would simply be posted on the Council's website for public perusal. The Certificate required approval and signature.
- e) The Clerk referred to the Audit documentation, copies of which having been circulated to members, and asked that these be approved and signed.

It was PROPOSED by Councillor Howarth and SECONDED by Councillor Mrs Kelly that such documents in items (d) and (e) be approved and signed. Carried unanimously.

33/20 Any Other Business.

Councillor Waite pointed out that there had been a further problem relating to Moor Road, from Marton to Ireleth, with subsidence resulting in the road being closed to vehicle traffic. County/Borough Councillor Shirley undertook to determine the time-scale for repairs.

34/20 Date and Time of next meeting

The Date and Time of the next meeting was AGREED as Thursday, 3rd September 2020 at 7.30 pm, via telephone, unless circumstances dictated otherwise.

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