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Minutes of a meeting held on Thursday, 5th October 2023 at 7.30 pm. in the Buccleuch Hall, Lindal.

Present:- Councillors A Waite; Mrs S Glover; Mrs S Kelly; Mrs C Stringer; N Fleming.

Apologies:- N/A

Also present: Three members of the public were present.

In attendance None

94/23 Urgent business. Items normally needing to be publicised but received too late for the agenda. (Section 100B (4) (b) Local Government Act 1972)

None.

95/23 Disclosure of interests. Requests for dispensations.

None.

96/23 Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 7th September 2023

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 7th September 2023, were taken as read and APPROVED.

PROPOSED: - Councillor Mrs Glover: SECONDED: - Councillor Mrs Stringer.

Carried unanimously.

97/23 Matters arising from those minutes.

- a) 87/23 (a) The Clerk reported that he had been able to meet the manager of the Dock Museum, Ms Charlotte Hawley, to discuss the possibility of Ms Hawley being able to use her knowledge and experience in upgrading the mining heritage display currently in St Peter's Church. The meeting had taken place in the Church, along with councillors Mrs Glover and Mrs Stringer, together with Mr D'Aeth, church warden, and Mr and Mrs Quirk, Mr Quirk having being heavily involved in creating the display in the Church.

Suggestions for improvement included the provision of better frames for the photos and maps; an audio presentation; better lighting; appropriate signage; plus an

expansion of the model of the mine buildings to incorporate an underground scene, beneath the existing pit-head model.

Ms Hawley offered to look into all such suggestions and secure costs where possible.

The question of utilising the material produced by the late Roy Mason, in the form of historical memories of the parish which were published in several issues of "Aspects" some years ago, was discussed and it was AGREED that these could be collated into a booklet, as part of the heritage display. Such booklet could also include the leaflets which Roy also produced describing several walks in the local area, all of them referring to items of historical interest. Councillor Fleming undertook to collate all appropriate photographs with a view to combining these with the proposed booklet.

- b) 87/23 (b). Councillor Mrs Kelly indicated that the problem of dog-barking affecting her and other neighbours seemed to have subsided but she reported that she had been approached by a resident in Railway Terrace who was experiencing similar problems.
- c) 92/23 (b) Councillor Fleming commented on the grass-cutting problem in the park, indicating that this used to be organised by the school. It was now the responsibility of Westmorland and Furness Council and he was able to confirm that the grass had now been cut.

98/23 Attendance of officer from Cumbria Constabulary

There was no officer in attendance. Information had been submitted, viz:-

1. A theft reported from a garden
2. Reports of assaults.

Both these incidents "have been dealt with by the police"

99/23 Planning applications relating to the Parish

None.

Details had been received from Westmorland and Furness Council confirming that planning application 6/23/9001, for a concrete batching plant on Pennington Lane, Lindal, had been approved, with conditions.

100/23 Correspondence.

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.

101/23 Finance

- a) Account balances: - *Current* - £50: *Festivals* - £166.40 - *Reserve* - £7719.68
- b) Payments recently made, for formal authorisation: -
Nil.

102/23 Any Other Business.

- a) The Clerk commented on the traffic lights at the pedestrian crossing on the A590, by the crossroads leading to The Green/London Road. These had been put out of action several weeks ago by a car accident, with temporary lights taking their place. Work to install new, permanent lights was scheduled to take place as from Monday, 9th October.
- b) *From the floor*; the owner of the property next to the park in Marton commented on reasons why the park had been had been closed to the public by the parks authority. This was because part of his boundary wall was in danger of collapse and presented a danger to the public. He hoped to have repairs done in the near future.
- c) *From the floor*, it was reported that the hedge on the junction of the Lindal to Marton Road and the road leading back down to the Lindal Industrial Estate, needed urgent attention in order to improve sight-lines. The Clerk undertook to ask the lengthman to take action.
- d) Councillor Mrs Kelly commented on a vehicle frequently parking on the grass verge on the A590, opposite the ex-chapel building. The Clerk undertook to discuss this with the local PCSO.

103/23 Date and Time of next meeting

The date and time of the next meeting was AGREED as Thursday 2nd November, 2023, at 7.30 pm in the Buccleuch Hall, Lindal.

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