Draft Minutes of 22 August 2013

DUDDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 22 August 2013 in the Rankin Room Victory Hall, Broughton-in-Furness

- **Present** Cllr Albion, Cllr Burch, Cllr Cooper, Cllr Curwen, Cllr Glessal, Cllr Hannah, Cllr Johnson, Cllr Knowles, Cllr Longworth.
- 128/13 Apologies Resolved to accept apologies from Cllr Procter.
- **129/13 Requests for Dispensations** There were none.
- **130/13 Declaration of Interests** Cllr Knowles declared an interest in item 11. The Parish Lengthsman scheme.

131/13 Minutes

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 25 July 2013 be signed by the chair as a true record.

132/13 Public Participation.

 a) Police were in attendance and reported 18 incidents including 3 accidents, 1 Anti social behavior and 1 crime. The police advised that staff at Cellefield had received a newsletter which expressed concern about speeding traffic through Broughton.

Cllr Burch entered.

- b) County Cllr David Fletcher was in attendance and gave an update on the Traffic Calming progress, he advised that there was a restricted budget in respect of the traffic calming. County Cllr Fletcher suggested that the Parish Council have a meeting with the Traffic Calming Group and Highway engineers. He also advised that traffic calming measures must go through public consultation. County Cllr Fletcher also advised that the Better Highways reorganization should be completed in the next couple of months. More information should be coming through via Calc meetings with Parish reps.
- c) Judith llett was in attendance and gave talk on how the food bank works. Vulnerable people need to know where to get information from. Collection points are in the Methodist Church in Broughton and also at the Square Café. There was a suggestion of having a collection point in the Victory Hall. Concern was raised about traffic going the wrong way down Princes Street and it was suggested that road markings should be repainted and signs need to be replaced.

133/13 Food Bank

There was a discussion regarding having a collection point in The Victory Hall. **Resolved** to put a poster up in the Victory Hall advising where the collection points are.

134/13 Allotment Field

- a) Consideration was given to having the livestsock regulation removed from the allotment regulations removed to enable people to keep hens on the allotments. The Council **Resolved** not to remove the regulation.
- b) A discussion took place regarding the security of the gates to the allotment field. **Resolved** that the gate on the Occupation lane side to be made more secure and that a padlock and chain would be put on the gate on the other side to be kept locked at all times. The algorithm to be discribing the superior platments.

The clerk was tasked with advertising the remaining allotments.

135/13 Cllr Curwen's report following John Woodcocks visit to the area

Cllr reported various subjects had been discussed with John Woodcock at his recent visit to the area. These included Traffic Calming, Sawrey Court, a white line which had been removed at Grizebeck, flooding issues. It was **Resolved** that the clerk write a letter to John Woodcock MP and include the concerns about Sawrey Court and the speedbumps in Church Street.

136/13 Picnic table

Discussion took place regarding the disabled picnic table in Wilson Park **Resolved** to give delegated authority to the clerk to make arrangements for the table in consultation with the Chair.

137/13 Planning Applications

7/2013/5448 – Troutal, Seathwaite, Broughton-in-Furness LA20 6EF
Construction of new covered midden – No Objections.
T/2013/0099 – 7 Broom Close, Broughton in Furness
Fell 1 Silver Birch.
7/2013/5439 – Greenfold, Seathwaite, Broughton in Furness, LA20 6ED
Replacement of existing garage with new single detached garage – No objections.

Notice of Grant of Planning Permission – 7/2013/5284 – Greenslack Farm. Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) on planning permission 7/2012/5665. to include stair tower to NW Elevation, alterations to fenestration and altered roof lights.

138/13 Parish Lengthsman

- a) The Parish Lengthsman has not done the second part of the training yet but he will be booking it very shortly.
- b) Cllr Hannah and Cllr Longworth are to give the lengthsman a call and organize some quotations for the next meeting.

139/13 Connecting Cumbria

Consideration was given to the Community Build Scheme – Registration of Interest form. The clerk was tasked with checking with Mrs Batten to see if any further information need adding on the form. **Resolved** that once any further information had been added to the form the clerk can submit it to Connecting Cumbria.

140/13 Financial Matters

a) **Resolved** that the following Direct Debits and Cheques be paid:-

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E-on (street lighting)	41.48
Clerks wages	190.43
Clerks expenses	7.19
HMRC	43.20
J Clucas	45.00
United Utilities	113.34
N Power	54.62
E Knowles	10.00
H Armer & Son	315.60
	£820.86
Receipts	
Rent	100.00

141/13 External Audit

E-on

The Annual Return was presented to the Council. There were no issues arising from the External Audit. The Annual Return was accepted and approved.

142/13 Correspondence

Resolved to note items of correspondence received since the last meeting.

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143/13 Clerk and Chairs report and progress report since last meeting.

a) Public Toilets - The clerk was tasked with advertising in the Parish Pump for a cleaner for the toilets.

Concern was raised about a light at the toilet and the clerk was tasked with having it fixed straight away as it is a Health and Safety matter.

144/13 Cllr Reports

Cllr Hannah raised concern about a road collapsing into a field. He advised that he has contacted Highways about overgrown vegetation and had been given the telephone number for the Ecologist.

Cllr Albion raised concern about the state of the road in Market Street. Cllr Cooper gave an update on the repointing of the Obelisk but the clerk was tasked with contacting LDNPA first as the obelisk and fish slabs are listed.

Cllr Glessal raised concern about a damaged road. Cllr Curwen has reported this. Cllr Glessal also raised concern about road markings.

Cllr Longworth raised concern about to old signs which had been removed but left stumps sticking up which vehicles can get caught on. Raise concern about wagons filling up the litter bins. Cllr Longworth also advised that there could be a new phone mast in the area soon.

Cllr Knowles advised that Charter day had been a big success and enjoyed by all. Thank you letters to be sent to The Manor and The Black Cock and also to Sam for her Eccles Cakes. Cllr Knowles raised concern about a leak in the ladies toilet.

143/13 District Cllr Curwen

Cllr Curwen raised concern about overgrown vegetation from Duddon Bridge through to the top of Grizebeck Brow. Cllr Curwen advised that the sleeve which had been put in the culvert in Market Street was working well. Cllr Curwen raised concern about overweight wagons crossing the mosses. Cllr Curwen raised concern about the cost of reinstating a footbridge.

146/13 Date of next Meeting

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The next meeting of the council will be held on 26 September 2013.