

Draft Minutes for June virtual meeting 2020

DUDDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 18 June 2020 held virtually.

Present Cllr G Albion, Cllr C Edmondson, Cllr V Glessal, Cllr C Henderson, Cllr E Knowles and Cllr I Longworth and Cllr J Sayers.

066/20 Apologies

Resolved to accept apologies from Cllr J Curwen, Cllr J Jardine.

067/20 Requests for Dispensations

There were no requests for dispensation

068/20 Declaration of Interests

Cllr Knowles declared an interest in item no 10 Victory Hall and also planning application number 7/2020/5318 Lodge Terrace.

Cllr Albion and Cllr Henderson both declared an interest in planning application number 7/2020/5318 Lodge Terrace.

Cllr Longworth declared an interest in the fencing and tree planting at Dunnerdale, Seathwaite and Torver Common.

069/20 To consider if there are any items on the agenda from which the press and public should be excluded.

Resolved that no items are to be discussed in private.

070/20 Minutes

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 28 May 2020 be signed by the chair as a true record with the following additions:-

Cllr Longworth was present at the start of the meeting but had technical problems so was unable to stay connected and did not take part in the meeting.

The chair also express sadness at the passing of Mike Cooper who had also served as a Paris Cllr.

071/20 Chairs Announcements

The chair announced that she did not want a long drawn out meeting.

072/20 Public Participation.

a) There was no report from the police.

b) The county Cllr was in attendance and reported:

He has chased Highways about various things, the state of the road at High Cross Hill, Road at Skelly Cragg and the road splitting over the other side of the railway. White paint has appeared on the road so possibility they might be going to do something.

Shop Bridge repairs delayed until next year. Seathwaite Bridge has a 30ton temporary restriction, Ulpha Bridge needs structural repairs, but it will probably be next year. There should be some tape or signage there because people do jump of that bridge.

Concern about speeding at Foxfield, there has been an accident lately, concerned speeding may get worse when the 20mph is in place in Broughton. Flashing signs are going to be replaced perhaps with something like the one in Church Street. Efforts need to be doubled to get speeding down at Foxfield.

He has tried following up from the flooding meeting and requested that the parish Council do the same.

Advised that there is funding around for walking and cycle ways.

Asked if the site at Foxfield where work is taking place, does it have planning permission?

There was a suggestion that the speed watch group maybe should start up again. The clerk will contact the group to see if this is possible.

County Cllr Brereton suggested that the Parish Council write to Sellafeld and BAE regarding speeding and parking in the Square.

Concerns were raised with the County Cllr about drains being blocked, particularly at the bottom of Keppleway Hill and also from Broughton Mills to High Cross.

The clerk asked if he would chase up the Japanese Knotweed on Foxfield Road which has been reported and she has a reference number for it. Ref no will be passed it on to Cllr Brereton to chase up.

- c) District Cllrs T Coward and I Wharton were in attendance.

District Cllr T Coward gave a report which included highways reopening which seems to be going well locally. Social distancing seems to be respected. There is a concern about a potential spike in unemployment which SLDC are looking into how they can support business when the furlough scheme ends. There are lots of resources to help businesses.

Green waste collections have started again fortnightly but your green waste will get collected monthly.

She is working with LDNPA on restrictions for disposal barbeques and pushing the countryside code.

District Cllr Coward requested that if we have any issues to contact her, particularly regarding walking and cycle routes. She will link in with the chair regarding the stretch of road on Foxfield road where the footpath needs extending and the clerk will be kept informed.

District Cllr Wharton left and advised he would send his report by email.

- d) No public were in attendance.

073/20

Planning Applications

7/2020/5318 - Land Adjacent to Lodge Terrace

Some local residents had been in touch with the parish council to raise concern about this application. **Resolved** that the Parish Council will object to this for several reasons including far too big, 3 storeys not in keeping with the rest of Lodge Terrace which only have 2 floors. There will be very little garden with them. Parking will be extremely dangerous particularly whilst work is taking place but even when it is complete parking will be an issue. Concern about the entrance to the garage being compromised making it dangerous. It will not be affordable for local first-time buyers or older people downsizing. The Local occupancy wording is very weak, and Broughton does not need large second homes. One house would be much more in keeping and safer.

7/2020/5320 – Havelock Cottage, Seathwaite

No objections

Dunnerdale Seathwaite and Torver Common

There was much discussion regarding this for both for and against, but it was **Resolved** that the Parish Council think the fell should be left as it is and are against the proposals.

Information only correspondence was noted for

7/2020/5305 – Knott Wood and 7/2020/5347 - Bracelet Hall

074/20 Wilson Park

The playground cannot be reopened until governance guidance allows us to open it. The annual inspection needs to be done and the playground must be covered with insurance. There was a discussion about whether to have hand sanitiser in the playground. **Resolved** that Cllr Henderson will order the sanitiser from Playdale and she would like her business to pay for it. If the playground can reopen before the sanitiser unit is available we will ask Lakeland Loos to put a temporary one in as they have very kindly offered.

075/20 Victory Hall

This is a summary of an email regarding the current situation at the hall which had been sent to everyone with the agenda:

The earliest date that the hall can open (on current government advice) is the 4th July, but there seems to be little demand to use the hall before September. Any future bookings for the hall held in the diary have been cancelled. Re bookings for after Tuesday 2nd September by email broughtontic@btconnect.com. can be done from now.

Library:

Cumbria County Council will not be in a position to re-open the library until late Autumn, their efforts will be employed restarting the main libraries first with library links, such as ours on the list for later.

So that we can pass through the library safely, on our way into the hall, Libraries Department will box up all of the books and remove them to storage prior to the hall re-opening.

The Future:

Life is going to be different, the operation of the hall and library is going to be different. In the early stages, plans are not to open the main toilets, kitchen or bar, but the disabled toilet will be open for uni-sex use. The lifts may be decommissioned initially until we can be sure of a COVID safe environment.

At 2 meter social distancing, the main hall will only take 25 people standing, the Rankin room a maximum of 10, the Green room 12.

The clerk advised that Charge my Street were wanting to use the installation of the EVC points at the Victory Hall as a case study. **Resolved** that the Parish Council are in agreement with this.

076/20 Public Toilets

Resolved that quotes will be sought to have hot water installed and sanitiser dispenser units will be in all 3 toilets.

077/20 Allotments

- a) **Resolved** that the Parish Council are happy to put topsoil in the allotment field in order to help the allotment holders. The funding will come from the rent collected from the field.
- b) **Resolved** that as the field is so busy and there are only a few plots left. They will only be available to residents of Duddon Parish and will be limited to 2 per applicant.

078/20 Occupation Lane

There were a number of concerns regarding Occupation Lane, which included allotment holders not adhering to the one way system, parking. Cllr J Sayers volunteered to liaise with the resident who has raised the concerns.

079/20 Consultations

- a) Consideration of the review of South Lakeland Local Plan – No comments
- b) consideration to the Cumbria Choice Based Lettings Allocations Policy – no comments

080/20 Street Lighting

There was a discussion regarding replacing to streetlights. **Resolved** to replace 2 of the streetlights in the square.

081/20 Co-option of a new Cllr

There were 3 candidates who had applied to be co-opted on the Parish Council. **Resolved** that Phoebe Gibbard Thompson be co-opted on to the Parish Council.

082/20 Vice Chair

Cllr J Sayers wishes to step down as Vice Chair. **Resolved** that Cllr C Henderson will be the new Vice Chair.

083/20 Financial Matters

Resolved that the following Direct Debits, Standing Order and Cheques be paid:-

E-o n	100.59
Hawthwaite Garden Services	400.00
SLDC	588.45
Fat Media	150.00
D E & J Johnson	150.00
HMRC	187.40
Salaries	250.00
	<u>£1,826.44</u>

084/20 Around the Combe Magazine

Topics for the magazine were discussed. **Resolved** to put a piece in the magazine about the electric charging points at the Victory Hall.

085/19 Date of next meeting

To note that the next virtual council meeting will be on 23 July 2020