

IREBY AND ULDALE PARISH COUNCIL

At the meeting of Ireby and Uldale Parish Council held at the W.I. Hall, Ireby on Tuesday 7th March 2017 commencing at 7.30 p.m.

Present:

K. Bridges
B. Cope
F. Foster
J.W. Hall
B. Hinde
G. Moore (Chairman)

Also Present:

A. Bowness, Cumbria County Council
Two members of the public (for part of the meeting)
J. Rae (Clerk)

76 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from R. Cockburn and PCSO K. Harris.

77 MINUTES – 3 JANUARY 2017

The minutes of the meeting held on 3rd January, 2017 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

78 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

B. Hinde declared a personal interest in item 11 on the agenda (Land at Winnie Tip) due to being a member of the Footpath Group.

79 POLICE REPORT

PCSO K. Harris had provided a report containing crime prevention advice. The Clerk reported that there were no crimes reported on the police crime mapper website for the parish. It was noted that the information on the website had not been updated since December 2016.

80 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Two members of the public were in attendance and raised their concerns regarding the activities being carried out on a piece of land adjacent to the parish land near Ruthwaite. Their concerns included the condition of the land, the welfare of the animals and the cutting and removing of a number of trees on the land.

In response, the Chairman advised that the parish council had been made aware of some of the concerns raised in the past and the parish council had contacted the LDNPA and the RSPCA to seek advice and were aware that the RSPCA had conducted a visit to the site. B. Hinde advised that prior to the meeting he had contacted the Borough Council's Environmental Health Services who had agreed to conduct a site visit of the area.

Members agreed that:

- The Chairman would visit the area;
- A letter would be sent to the land owner setting out the concerns raised;
- The owner be asked when the fence, previously agreed, would be erected between their land and the parish land;

- Advice be sought from The Forestry Commission with regard to the cutting of the trees

81 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES 3 JANUARY 2017

None.

82 FINANCE

- (a) The financial position at 28th February, 2017 was provided for Members information.

Income Received:

HMRC - Refund of VAT	£249.40
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- (b) Payment of accounts

Clerk's account Quarter 4	£311.88
HMRC PAYE Quarter 4	£ 78.00
Clerk's expenses Quarter 4	£121.85
Swift Computer Services – Website Hosting Fee	£100.00
B. Hinde – Varnish	£ 12.50

- (c) Appointment of Internal Auditor

RESOLVED that Mr. P. Wilson be appointed to carry out the internal audit of the parish council's accounts for financial year 2016/17.

83 PLANNING

- (a) Applications received

7/2017/2023 and 2034 – Lowthwaite Farm, Uldale
Installation of a GRP oil storage tank and central heating vent
No objections

7/2017/2035 – Barn at Longlands, Uldale
Conversion of traditional stone barn into residential dwelling, removal of modern metal structures and modern additions, and creation of new vehicular access point and parking.

No objections in principle were received to the barn conversion. It was suggested that a local occupancy restriction should be imposed as a planning condition.

- (b) Decisions

7/2016/2303 – Whitefield Cottage Ireby
Single storey sunroom extension to the side of the property

Granted

84 HIGHWAYS/HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE

Cllr Bowness reported that Cumbria County Council are to implement a new system for reporting defects on the highway. The system (HIMS) will be a much improved way of reporting defects as these can be pinpointed on a map and photographs can also be added. Progress of any faults reported can be tracked on the new system which is expected to be operational by the end of March.

The following matters were reported:

The issues at Uldale and High Ireby had still not been resolved

Water is still running across the Ireby to Daleside road between the Guards and Aughtertree road ends.
Pot holes are starting to form on the Aughtertree to Daleside road as a result of water flowing down the road when it rains – there is a problem with the drains.

85 GRASS CUTTING CONTRACT 2017

K. Bridges reported that the contractor from the Caldbeck area had declined to submit a tender for the grass cutting in the parish.
RESOLVED that Mr. T. Airey be awarded the contract on the terms and conditions stated in the tender submitted at a total cost of £1320 plus VAT for six cuts. It was noted that the price submitted was for one year only and the contract would need to be reviewed prior to the next season.

86 LAND AT WINNIE TIP

B Hinde reported that he had contacted the Wildlife Trust who had shown an interest in adopting the land at Winnie Tip. A site visit had been arranged for the 22nd March. B. Hinde agreed to report back following the site visit.

87 PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS

(a) Local Government Boundary Commission – Electoral Review of Allerdale - Draft Recommendations. – It was noted that the parish is not affected by the draft recommendations.

(b) Allerdale Local Plan (Part 2) : Site Allocations

A link to the site allocations preferred options consultation had been provided with the agenda. The proposals in the consultation that affect the village of Ireby were discussed together with the letter and representations from a resident of Sun Croft, Ireby.

It was agreed that a response would be submitted to the consultation raising the following points:

- What is the reasoning behind the removal of Ireby Hall (IRE10) from the proposed settlement limit. The parish council would prefer Ireby Hall to remain within the settlement limit.
- The parish council support the views put forward in the letter to the Borough Council from a resident of Sun Croft in relation to IRE06 and IRE07.
- The extent of the village green near Ireby Cross had not been fully outlined on the plan (GS109)

88 CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence received since the last meeting was circulated and discussed:

Lake District National Park Partnership – Parish Forum – Agenda for the meeting on 13th March 2017 together with notes from the meeting on 25th April 2016.

LDNPA Parishes Member Report January 2017
LDNPA Parishes Member Report February 2017

ACT Gazette Spring 2017
Clerks and Councils Direct March 2017
CALC Circular February 2017
CALC Circular March 2017
Request for Funding – Cumbria Dyslexia Project
Wigton Baths Trust – Newsletter
Great North Air Ambulance Service – Letter of thanks for the parish council's donation of £250.00.
Northern Fells Group – Letter of thanks for the parish council's donation of £250.00 and continued support towards the minibus
CALC – Minutes of the Three Tier Meeting held on 19th January 2017 – The Chairman reported that he had attended the meeting and provided a summary of the items discussed.
Notification had been received from Cumbria County Council of the changes to Stagecoaches Summer timetables to start from 8th April. The main changes are to the 73/73A service. It was agreed to send a letter of objection to the reduction in services to Stagecoach.

89 DATE OF NEXT MEETING AND FUTURE MEETINGS

The meeting dates were agreed for the next council year:

Annual Parish and Annual Meeting: 2nd May, 2017

4th July, 5th September 7th November 2017

2nd January, 6th March 2018

W.I. Hall, Ireby at 7.30pm

The meeting closed at 8.45 p.m.

Chairman Date