

Bassenthwaite Parish Council

Minutes of the Bassenthwaite Parish Council Meeting

held in the Parish Room, Bassenthwaite on Thursday 4th October 2019 at 7.30pm.

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Councillors Present: J Stephens, N Harrop, R James, H Reb & J Mattinson.

Also Present: E Clark (Clerk) & one parishioner.

- 1) **Apologies** – Apologies for absence were received & accepted from Cllr Armstrong
- 2) **Minutes** - Resolved – that the Chair sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 5th of September 2019.
- 3) **Public Participation** – a parishioner from Scarness joined the meeting to comment on planning application number **7/2019/2218**. She advised that Scarness was overwhelmed with holiday lets and had only two permanently occupied residences. She asked if the parish council would reconsider their planning reply by adding a request for a Local Occupancy Clause.

At the discretion of the chairman planning application no. 7/2019/2218 was brought forward to be discussed at this point of the meeting. Following a further discussion on the application, councillors unanimously agreed that they had no objection to the application and that a request be made for a Local Occupancy Clause.

- 4) **Requests for Dispensations** - There were no requests for dispensations.
- 5) **Declaration of Interests** – There were no declarations of interest.
- 6) **Cumbria Constabulary** – PCSO 5214 Crome reported that there had been no incidents reported to the police for area of Bassenthwaite since the last meeting.

7) **Chairman's Announcements**

- a) Allerdale Borough Council draft Council Plan 2020-30 consultation provides an opportunity to review and comment on the priorities proposed by the Leadership of the Council for the next ten years. The consultation can be found at <https://cumbria.citizenspace.com/allerdale-borough-council/draft-council-plan-2020-2030/> where there is an online survey to complete. The consultation closes on 7 November 2019.
- b) The CALC AGM for 2019 is being held at the Market Hall, in Wigton on Saturday the 9th of November. Jo Lappin, the Chief Executive of the Cumbria Local Enterprise Partnership and Cllr Peter Thornton, Deputy Leader of the County Council will be in attendance. Jo will give an update on the progress of the LEP over the last year and Cllr Thornton will be discussing the priorities of the County Council for the coming year. A light lunch will be served and there will be a number of stands of interest to local councils, plus time to mingle and chat with fellow councillors.

8) **Payment of Accounts & Receipts Received**

The following payment was considered & approved for payment:

(a) Tivoli (Grounds Maintenance – September) £191.99

- 9) **Financial Report** - The balance as at the 30th September 2019 is £18,141.37 on all three PC accounts. The 2019/20 draft budget was approved & accepted. It was approved that Cllr James purchase a new laminator to replace old one.

10) **Planning**

- a) **Ref No: 7/2019/2218** – Change of use of traditional building to compromise 2no. holiday let units. (Resubmission of application 7/2018/2237) – Field Barn, Dower House, Scarness – ***No Objection, Local Occupancy Clause requested.***

- b) **Ref No: 7/2019/2231** – The full electrical rewiring of Mirehouse & replacement of selective light & electrical fittings – Mirehouse, Underskiddaw – **No Objection.**
- c) **Ref No: 7/2019/2200** - Alterations including reducing the height of the existing steel framed building and change to ancillary domestic storage – Scarness Farm, Bassenthwaite – **Approved by LDNPA 18/09/19 .**
- d) **Ref No: 7/2019/2167** – Replace existing two septic tanks with two packaged sewage treatment plants. New tanks to go adjacent to existing. New 110mm discharge drain to watercourse – North End, Bassenthwaite – **Approved by LDNPA 19/09/19.**
- 11) **Highways** – Cllr James reported that the pot holes still required repairing with The Narrows being desperate. End of North Row now had white lines but the pot holes hadn't been repaired. The street light at North Row End was again inoperative.
- 12) **Reports** – no reports received from councillors who have attended meetings of other organisations but Cllr Reb advised that she had been informed of sightings of grey squirrels in the village – Cllr Stephens to report to the relevant group.
- 13) **Hearse House** – the parish council understand that this has now been taken off the market.
- 14) **Senior Citizens Lunch** – a donation of £200.00 for the senior citizens Christmas lunch was proposed and approved by the council.
- 15) **The Village Green** – it was agreed that the trees on the Green would need cut before next spring. Cllr James to make enquires with Mr Sibson. A request from Bassenthwaite Rotary Club to plant 200/300 crocuses in the area of the rotary bench was approved.
- 16) **Items for next Agenda** - new items to be with the clerk by Wednesday the 30th of October 2019.
- 17) **Date of Next Meeting** – it was noted that the next meeting of the Parish Council would be Thursday the 7th of November 2019.

The chair closed the meeting at 8.55 pm.