

Bassenthwaite Parish Council

Minutes of a virtual meeting of Bassenthwaite Parish Council held on Thursday 1st October 2020 at 7.30pm.

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Councillors Present: J Stephens (Chairman), H Reb, N Harrop, R James, S Langcake & J Mattinson.

Also Present: E Clark (clerk) & R Jukes.

- 1) **Apologies** – No apologies for absence were received.
- 2) **Minutes** - Resolved – that the Chair sign the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 2nd of July 2020.
- 3) **Public Participation** – Rachel Jukes joined the meeting with the view to becoming a parish councillor.
- 4) **Requests for Dispensations** - There were no requests for dispensations.
- 5) **Declaration of Interests** – There were no declarations of interest.
- 6) **Cumbria Constabulary** – the monthly police newsletter was circulated by email. There were no reported incidents for Bassenthwaite.
- 7) **Chairman’s Announcements**
 - a) An email from the Great North Ambulance thanks the parish council for their donation of £40.00 in remembrance of Mr Martin Mawson.
 - b) An email from St John’s Church, Bassenthwaite thanks the parish council for their £500 donation towards the churchyard grasscutting.
 - c) At a meeting of Cumbria County Council on the 3rd of September, members considered and agreed to submit a proposal which, if supported by the Government would see the creating of a single new unitary council for the whole of Cumbria. The next step will be to submit the proposal to Government; a response is anticipated in the autumn.
 - d) A letter from Keswick & District Community First Responders thanks the parish council for the £60 donation.

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

The following payments were considered & approved for payment:

a) Tivoli – Grasscutting x 2 mths	£407.02
b) Clerks Salary (01/07/20 – 31/10/20)	£451.18
c) Clerks Expenses (Stationary 28.98, Postage 25.31, Zoom 17.99)	£ 72.28
d) HM Revenue & Customs (PAYE)	£112.80
e) The Community Heartbeat Trust (Annual Support Yr5)	£151.20

Citizens Advice Allerdale – no donation approved

The following receipts received were noted:

(i) Pinfold (Wayleaves)	£ 70.00
(ii) Allotments (Rent)	£ 24.00
(iii) Birch Trees (Wayleaves)	£ 10.00
(iv) Chestnuts (Wayleaves)	£ 10.00

The clerk advised that the owner of Rivendell had asked for sight of the Wayleave Agreement – Cllr Stephens to look into.

9) **Financial Report** - The balance as at the 31st August 2020 is £18,803.66 on all three PC accounts. The bank reconciliation as at the 31st of August 2020 was considered & approved.

10) **Planning** - a devolved decision by the clerk after consultation with the Chairman & Councillors on the following planning applications was noted;

(a) **Ref No: 7/2020/2180** – Use of Scarness Outdoor Centre without compliance with condition one of planning permission 7/91/2185, to allow for the centre to operate year round - Scarness Outdoor Activities Centre, Bassenthwaite - ***no objection from the pc.***

(b) **Ref No: 7/2020/2190** – Addition of 2 Holiday caravan to existing caravan site at High Moss Farm – High Moss, Bassenthwaite – ***Support from the pc – approved by LDNPA 18/9/20.***

(c) **Ref No: 7/2020/2183** – Erection of an agricultural steel portal framed building – North Row, Bassenthwaite – ***for information purposes only.***

The following planning applications were considered;

(d) **Ref No: 7/2020/2198** – Conversion of former milking parlour to form local needs dwelling – Mireside, Bassenthwaite – ***no objection from pc***

(e) **Ref No: 7/2020/2211** - Proposed dormer windows & conversion of garage first floor to self-contained annexed accommodation – Mandalay, Bassenthwaite – ***no objection from pc.***

(f) **Ref No: 7/2020/2149** – Two storey side extension – Orchard Cottage, Bassenthwaite – ***approved by the LDNA 14/8/20.***

11) **Highways** – thanks to be forwarded to highways for the thorough job two road sweepers carried out around the village. The majority of pot holes in the village have now been repaired. Low trees were causing issues to motorists on the Castle Inn to Ireby road approximately one hundred yards above The Rake road end and in two places on The Rake itself.

12) **Councillor Vacancy** – there currently being one parish councillor vacancy, Rachel Jukes was co-opted onto the council.

13) **Play Area** – Cllr Stephens advised he had inspected the swings and they were solid & safe.

14) **Working Together Service** – deferred until the next meeting.

15) **Footway Lighting** – a letter from Cllr Mike Johnson, Deputy Leader of Allerdale Borough Council, advised that due to a number of factors Allerdale Borough Council had decided to postpone the imposition of energy costs from the footway lighting on the parishes.

16) **Bassenthwaite Sign** – progressing the planter/trough at the Bassenthwaite sign was considered, Cllr Stephens to inspect the area with a view to requesting a contractor to quote to complete the work.

17) **Items for next Agenda** - new items to be with the clerk by Wednesday the 25th of November 2020.

18) **Date of Next Meeting** – it was noted that the next meeting of the Parish Council would be Thursday the 3rd of December 2020.

The chair closed the meeting at 8.05pm