

# Bassenthwaite Parish Council

## Minutes of the Bassenthwaite Parish Council Meeting

held in the Parish Room, Bassenthwaite on Thursday 4th October 2018 at 7.30pm.

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**Councillors Present:** J Stephens, N Harrop, H Reb, R James & S Langcake.

**Also Present:** E Clark (Clerk) & D Calvert (Parishioner)

- 1) **Apologies** - Apologies for absence were received & accepted from Cllrs McMillan & Armstrong & Cllr Grainger (Borough Councillor).
- 2) **Minutes** - Resolved – that the Chair sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 6<sup>th</sup> of September 2018.
- 3) **Public Participation** – Mr Calvert joined the meeting with regards to planning application nos, 7/2018/2231 & 7/2018/2237.  
Application No. 7/2018/2237 – Dower House, he advised that he had no objection to the approved application for a single dwelling house for permanent residence but Scarness was drowning in holiday accommodation. He disagreed with the comment that there would be no significant increase in traffic and that a local occupancy dwelling would not be financially viable.  
Application No. 7/2018/2231 – High Side Farm – he advised he had no objection to this application but would like this development to be as inconspicuous as possible as the site is very visible from Scarness.
- 4) **Requests for Dispensations** - There were no requests for dispensations.
- 5) **Declaration of Interests** – There were no declarations of interest.
- 6) **Cumbria Constabulary** – PCSO 5356 Smith advised that the next 10 weekly parish council engagement meeting will be held at Cockermouth Police Station on Friday the 16<sup>th</sup> of November at 7pm and emailed the following report; on the 14<sup>th</sup> of September, police, fire and ambulance attended a 3-vehicle RTC (road traffic collision) near to the Castle Inn on the A591. A misjudgement at the junction resulted in 1 collision and a minor bump. There were no serious injuries and the road was only partially blocked. Between the 19<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> of September, due to several days of inclement weather, police received a high number of calls reporting fallen trees and branches. Police attended all calls where it was felt the situation could present a threat to life. The council were informed in all instances and attended to clear the debris. There were no other reportable incidents in the parish.
- 7) **Chairman's Announcements**
  - a) CALC have been reviewing the membership fee structure and using the revised method (cube root of the electorate) for calculating the 2019/20 membership fee means that Bassenthwaite parish council will pay £131.20 (2018/19 was £165.00).
  - b) The West Cumbria Bus Users' AGM is to be held on Tuesday the 9<sup>th</sup> of October at 2pm at the Lakes College, Lillyhall. Guest speaker will be from Transport for the North.
  - c) The next Lake District Parish Forum is to be held in the room above the library in Ambleside on Wednesday the 10<sup>th</sup> of October at 7pm.
  - d) An email from UU advised that they were making good progress with their major water supply project and they were currently in the second year of construction and preparing for year three. A full update on the progress so far and what is planned for year three is available, if required, by them either attending a forthcoming meeting or in the way of an email.
- 8) **Payment of Accounts & Receipts Received**

The following payments were considered & approved for payment;

(a) Tivoli – Grounds Maintenance (Sept)	£ 182.86
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(b) J Stephens – Online Playgrounds (2 x Swing Seats) £ 57.60

To note the following receipts received;

(i) Wayleave – Chestnuts £ 10.00  
(ii) Allerdale Borough Council – Precept 2<sup>nd</sup> Instalment £3689.66

**9) Financial Report** - The balance as at the 30th of September 2018 is £18370.21 on all three PC accounts - approved.

**10) Planning**

**a) App Ref No: 7/2018/2231** – Change of use to erect eight prefabricated camping pods adjacent to Highside Farm with associated access, parking & drainage provision – High Side Farm, Bassenthwaite – *No Objection but the site should be as inconspicuous as possible and the number of pods should be considered.*

**b) App Ref No. 7/2018/2237** – Change of use of traditional building to compromise 2 no. holiday let units – Field Barn, Dower House, Scarness, Bassenthwaite – *No Objection but have the two local occupancy clause dwellings been considered as an alternative?*

**c) App Ref No: 7/2018/2110** - Localised rebuilding of slate stone gable wall. Rake out & repointing of mixed sand cement & lime mortar using NHL35 lime mortar. Provision of proprietary stainless steel ties to stabilise gable wall. Weathering works to chimney. Reinforcement of ground level along gable wall to provide frost protection. Removal & replacement of internal water damaged plaster to gable wall at first floor – Moss Side, Bassenthwaite, CA12 4QZ – *Listed Building Consent Granted by LDNPA 28.08.18.*

**d) App Ref No: 7/2018/2170** – Reinstatement of a collapsed barn/garden store – Random Stones, Bassenthwaite, Keswick, CA12 4RG – *Approved by the LDNPA 18/09/18.*

**e) App Ref No: 7/2018/2106** – Disabled access alterations to include new external & internal ramps & wc - Bassenthwaite Methodist Chapel, Bassenthwaite – *Approved by LDNPA 28/08/18*

**11) Highways** – an overgrown hedge is covering the whole of the footpath outside Rose Cottage. The bus stop sign at the junction of the A591 & Winding Gate was still on the ground. The telephone box at Castle Inn is in a state. Thanks were given to Cllrs Harrop & Mattinson for the disposal of the blown over cherry tree on The Green. Highways have cleaned out the culverts between Mandalay and High Side. Work is currently being carried out at High Side & Park Wood. Repairs have been carried out on the bridge by the Sun Inn. There are two pot holes at the bottom of The Rake and at Cooper Dub.

**12) Reports** – no reports received.

**13) Parish Benches** – as requested by the parish council, Steven Sowerby was currently refurbishing the parish benches. Mr Nichols & Cllr James were varnishing the bench from The Green (Rotary Club Bench).

**14) Hearse House** – there have been two new offers on the Church Room & Hearse House, the greatest being £48,000.

**15) Senior Citizens Lunch** – a donation of £200.00 for the senior citizens Christmas lunch was proposed and approved by the council.

**16) Items for next Agenda** - new items to be with the clerk by Wednesday the 24<sup>th</sup> of October 2018.

**17) Date of Next Meeting** – it was noted that the next meeting of the Parish Council would be on Thursday the 1<sup>st</sup> of November 2018.

*The chair closed the meeting at 8.40 pm.*