

MINUTES OF THE 287th MEETING OF ASKAM AND IRELETH PARISH COUNCIL, HELD ON TUESDAY 13 DECEMBER IN THE TEMERANCE HALL, SAVES LANE, IRELETH

Present: Members of the Parish Council; Cllr Harry Barker, Chairman, Cllr David Knight, Steven Smalley, Mike Cumming, Sandra Hadwick, Denise Wilson; also present: Clerk Janice Cumming; County Councillor Barry Doughty; Borough Councillor Ann Thurlow and 4 members of the public.

1/12/16: DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Cllr David Knight item 6/12/16 and Cllr Mike Cumming item 9/12/16

2/12/16: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Bill Wilson and PCSO Louise Johns

3/12/16: PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

None

4/12/16: APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 15 NOVEMBER 2016

These were agreed as a true and accurate record and duly signed and dated by the Vice Chairman.

Proposed Cllr Sandra Hadwick

Seconded Cllr David Knight

Agreed

5/12/16: PROGRESS REPORT FROM ACTION ITEMS

5/12/16/1: Disabled Ramp on Sandy Lane: Councillor Denise Wilson reported that the work had been completed. Closed

5/12/16/2: Barrow Borough Council Local Plan: Cllr Councillor Cumming contacted Barrow BC regarding the land on Saves Lane. Email response from Barrow BC states “We have been proposing to amend the cordon at Askam & Ireleth since the beginning of the Local Plan process based on the sites we had submitted to us for housing. As you can see from the attached plans, the Saves Lane site was an Option in the Issues & Options Plan in 2014 and was included within the proposed cordon in 2015 and 2016”. United Utilities who own this land and are planning a development have intimated that they would like to meet with the parish council. The parish council have agreed to this, but have had no response from United Utilities. Closed

5/12/16/3: Wagons Using A595: Concerns were raised regarding the number and times of Tipper Wagons using the A595 from Barrow Docks to Burlington Quarry in Kirkby. This was highlighted to Cumbria Highways and our County Councillor. Highways told the parish council to speak to the Main Contractor at the Docks which Cllr Cumming did. Closed

5/12/16/4: Cleaning of Paving: Aqua Pro Jet has completed cleaning the pavement at the jubilee fountain area and Memorial Garden Closed

5/12/16/5: Renewal of Licence for Police Pod: The licence has been agreed for 4 years. Cllr Hadwick mentioned that the Police Pod was looking a bit shabby and asked if it could be painted. The Clerk would contact Cumbria Police. Action Clerk

5/12/16/6: Community Field Gate: Repairs have been made to the gate by AK Fencing. Closed

5/12/16/7: Children’s Christmas Story Time: Cllr Steven Smalley reported that preparations have been made for the story time which will be held in the library on Monday 19 December.

5/12/16/8: 2017/2018 Precept: Letter received from Barrow BC requesting details of our precept. The Clerk has responded in line with agreement at meeting held in November where the precept was set at £27,000.00, the same as 2016/2017.

6/12/16: TO REPORT AND DISCUSS ANY PLANNING ISSUES – CLLR MIKE CUMMING

B21/2016/0838 1 Ireleth Court Road, Askam – Change rear extension flat roof to a pitched roof Design and remove internal lounge wall.

B18/2016/0728 Bridge End Stables, Lots Road, Askam – Erection of a holiday lodge and 3 micro lodges with hard standing and foul water cesspool. It was felt that a precedence had been set by allowing a similar development at Park Knott and the parish council did not envisage a significant amount of extra traffic or parking issues.

The parish council had received no comments, there were no comments from the floor.

The Clerk was asked to respond to Barrow BC.

Proposed Cllr Steven Smalley

Seconded Cllr Denise Wilson

Agreed

7/12/16: REPORT FROM POLICE AND ROAD TRAFFIC MATTERS

Report sent in my PCSO Louise Johns was read - Month of November: anti-social behaviour 4 – youths throwing stones at windows in Sharp Street. Misuse of phone, door to door selling on Avocet and Turnstone Crescent, School boys arguing; burglary 0; criminal damage 4 - nail in tyre, High Duddon Close; damage to notice board at Duddon Road Church, wing mirror punched off by unknown male on Duke Street, enquiries ongoing, 2 tyres slashed on delivery vehicle on Park Avenue; drugs 0; theft 0; violence 0.

8/12/16: NATIONAL GRID (NG) NORTH WEST COASTAL CONNECTION UPDATES

8/12/16/1: Cllr Mike Cumming has prepared the response to National Grid regarding their consultation on the route of the pylons from Moorside to Heysham. The response was sent to all parish councillors to read prior to the meeting and a copy was available at the meeting. The parish council agreed unanimously to this response and asked that it be sent to National Grid from Askam and Ireleth Parish Council. The Chairman thanked Cllr Cumming for all the hard work he had put in to this response. The full response can be viewed on the parish council website www.askamandirelethparishcouncil.org.uk

Proposed Cllr Harry Barker

Seconded Cllr David Knight

Agreed

8/12/16/2: Cllr Cumming explained that there would be a help and advice session at Askam library on Saturday 17 December to help anyone who would like to respond to NG. Information will be given on how to respond to the consultation, **whatever your opinion maybe**. Members of our local power without pylon group will be there as well as members of the parish council. This event has been advertised around the village.

9/12/16: DROP ZONE YOUTH PROJECTS 2017

A letter has been received from Drop Zone regarding funding for next year. They ask if the parish council will fund the rental of the Rankin Hall for their sessions in Askam on a Tuesday evening. At a cost of £10 per session the parish council felt it was very worthwhile and were happy to support the Drop Zone.

Proposed Cllr Sandra Hadwick

Seconded Cllr Steven Smalley

Agreed

10/12/16: REQUEST FOR COUNCILLORS TO SIGN A LETTER ‘SUCCESS REGIME’ CONSULTATION

Cllr Denise Wilson read out an email received regarding the ‘downgrading’ of West Cumberland hospital. She felt that it did not directly impact on local residents and did not think it was something our parish council could sign.

11/12/16: UPGRADING OF CCTV

Cllr Cumming had contacted the Police and Barrow BC regarding increasing the monitored systems to include the Lots Road and Dalton Road/Ireleth Road junction. Indicative costs were prohibitive and could not be justified. Alternative is for cameras initially to be installed on the existing system at the Coop to cover both sides of the Rail crossing. Cllr Cumming to obtain quote and feasibility of this as a first phase.

12/12/16: UPDATE FROM COUNTY AND BOROUGH COUNCILLOR

Borough Councillor Ann Thurlow spoke of a walk being organised by John Woodcock MP on New Year Day to highlight the NO PYLONS around the Duddon and Furness Peninsular. There will be 2 walks involving people coming from Broughton to Kirkby and others from Askam to Kirkby. The walk for Askam will begin at Duddon Road Car Park. Councillor Thurlow would send details of timings when they had been received from John Woodcock’s office.

County Councillor Barry Doughty reported on County matters including work is doing with Cumbria Highways at Moor Road and Footpaths and Rights of Way in the parish. Councillor Doughty also mentioned that the County Council Executive would be discussing the pylon route on Thursday.

13/12/16: REPORT FROM CLERK (INCLUDING FINANCES)

The monthly expenditure was made available to all parish council members. This was agreed.

14/12/16: CORRESPONDENCE to check the appendix of items all of which will be available at the meeting for inspection.

14/12/16/1: Notice from National Trust Warden – Temporary Closure of Car Park at Roanhead from 9 January 2017 for 2 months while work is carried out to provide a new car park surface and visitor welcome hut/ice cream shop. Unfortunately there will be no temporary parking during this period.

14/12/16/2: Invitation from Askam Indoor Bowling Club to attend their presentation afternoon on Thursday 15 December. Cllr Sandra Hadwick and the Clerk will attend to represent the parish council.

15/12/16: SANCTIONS FOR PAYMENT

Aqua Pro Jet £315.00 cleaning paving at Jubilee fountain and Memorial Garden, Askam Pensioners £75.00 rental from April to December 2016 for meetings.

16/12/16: DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 17 January 2017 at 7.15 pm in the Rankin Hall, Duke Street, Askam

The Chairman closed the meeting by wishing everyone a very happy Christmas and New Year.

Signed byBill Wilson..... Dated ...17 January 2017.....

