

**MINUTES OF 283th MEETING OF ASKAM AND IRELETH PARISH COUNCIL, HELD ON 19
JULY 2016 IN THE RANKIN HALL, DUKE STREET, ASKAM**

Present: Members of the Parish Council; Cllr Harry Barker, Chairman, Cllr Bill Wilson, Vice Chairman, Cllr Alan Mason, Sandra Hadwick; also present: Clerk Janice Cumming; Borough Councillor Ann Thurlow; County Councillor Barry Doughty; PCSO Louise Johns and one member of the public.

1/07/16: DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Cllr Harry Barker 3/07/16/2.

2/07/16: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Steve Smalley, Mike Cumming and David Knight.

3/07/16: PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

3/07/16/1: A telephone call had been received from Mr Tommy Johnson of Marsh Farm regarding ragwort which is growing on Duddon Road Car Park. Mr Johnson is concerned that the spores from this ragwort blow into his field, where his cattle graze, ragwort can be dangerous to cattle if ingested. The parish council will contact Barrow Borough Council who own Duddon Road Car Park. Councillor Thurlow will also contact the Borough council regarding this matter. Action Clerk/Cllr Thurlow

3/07/16/2: A member of the public asked a question regarding plans for the housing development at the Urofoam site on Duddon Road. The Chairman said he could not respond to this question as part of the parish council meeting, as this would be a pecuniary interest as he is the developer of this site. He agreed to speak to the gentleman after the meeting and discuss his concerns.

4/07/16: APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 14 JUNE 2016

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

Proposed Cllr Bill Wilson

Seconded Cllr Alan Mason

Agreed

5/07/16: PROGRESS REPORT FROM ACTION ITEMS

5/07/16/1: Public Toilet Area: Redsyke is still to complete the work to the wall.

5/07/16/2: Cars illegal parked at Steel/Sharp Street Parking Area: One of the vehicles has been removed. PCSO Johns will contact the owner of the other vehicle and ask for it to be removed.

5/07/16/3: Path at Askam United Ground: Redsyke has quoted £150.00 to complete this work.

Proposed Cllr Sandra Hadwick

Seconded Cllr Harry Barker

Agreed

6/07/16: TO REPORT AND DISCUSS ANY PLANNING ISSUES

B21/2016/0476 – 50 Caspian Road, Askam, Erection of a first floor side extension above existing garage forming new fourth and fifth bedroom. No comments or objections were raised. Clerk to respond to Planning.

7/07/16: REPORT FROM POLICE AND ROAD TRAFFIC MATTERS – PSCO LOUISE JOHNS

6 reports of anti- social behaviour, 2 burglaries at Urofoam arrests have been made. Theft of money and damage at Duddon Road Methodist church on Carnival day, alloy wheels stolen from a car at CJS Motors and 1 assault at Duddon Sports Club.

8/07/16: REPORT FROM RURAL JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING – CLLR HADWICK

Nu.Gen. Discussions were held regarding NuGen's consultations, which took place in Askam and Barrow and were very poorly attended due to lack of advertising and prior information. It was obvious from the presentations that very little or no benefit would be available in the South of the County particularly Furness Area. NuGen were adamant that very few, if any workers would be travelling from South of the County and that there would be little or no impact on infrastructure as a result of this. It was agreed that the leader of Barrow Borough Council would get in touch with NuGen and ask for a meeting to discuss, which has subsequently happened. Date to be arranged. A letter has been sent to Nu.Gen, copy was made available to the parish council.

National Grid – delay in consultation until autumn 2016 as more work to establish which areas will get the new pylons underground.

Representative of Barrow parishes on CALC – CALC Chief Officer will have this as agenda item for next CALC AGM this November. Chairman of Joint Rural Committee will represent Barrow parishes if proposal agreed.

9/07/16: PROPOSED PARKING RESTRICTIONS IN ASKAM AND IRELETH

The following recommendations have been received from Cumbria County Council Highways regarding traffic orders in Askam and Ireleth. The parish council were asked to review and comment.

Yellow lines at the junction of Dale Street and Ireleth Road. Each side of the road. Residents of Dale Street complained that they have difficulty exiting Dale Street as they cannot see past the cars which park very close to the junction. **Agreed**

Yellow lines at the junction of Walker Street and Duddon Road. Each side of the road. Complaints from residents that they cannot see when exiting Walker Street because cars park very close to the junction. **Agreed**

Request made by the art group and others groups to have restricted parking outside the community centre. Highways suggest 2 hour parking in this area from 8 am to 6 pm Monday to Saturday. **Agreed**

Restricted parking outside the shops on Duke Street. Highways suggest 2 hour parking in the area. The parish council were **not** in favour of this as they felt it was unfair to residents who live above the shops on Duke Street.

10/07/16: UPDATE FROM BOROUGH AND COUNTY COUNCILLOR

Cllr Doughty said he was working with Highways on the parking issues in Askam and Ireleth. He was also liaising with Highways on issues of flooding on Moor Road and Tippins Lane. Temporary speed restrictions of 30/10 mph would be in place on Tippins Lane for geotechnical investigation works on the 5th September 2016 for 2 weeks Monday-Friday 08:00 to 17:00 daily.

11/07/16: REPORT FROM CLERK INCLUDING FINANCES

The monthly expenditure sheet and accounts were made available to the parish councillors.

Proposed Cllr Bill Wilson **Seconded Cllr Harry Barker** **Agreed**

12/07/16: CORRESPONDENCE – to check the appendix of items; all of which will be available at the meeting for inspection.

12/07/16/1: Letter and grant application form received from Askam Indoor Bowling Club. The club need to purchase 3 new bowling mats, as the ones they are using are disintegrating with age. The mats cost £975.00 each. The parish council agreed to approve this grant and a cheque for £975.00 to purchase a new mat was agreed.

Proposed Cllr Sandra Hadwick **Seconded Cllr Alan Mason** **Agreed**

12/07/16/2: Correspondence from United Utilities regarding water safety, particularly reservoirs and open water. The Clerk has forwarded this correspondence to our village schools. Cllr Mason will forward to uniform groups. PCSO Johns said that there had been reports of young people swimming in Burlington pond. This is a very dangerous activity and it is hoped that parents and young people will be aware of the very real dangers around such areas in and around Askam and Ireleth and the beach. The parish council wish our young people a happy and safe summer holiday. **PLEASE BE CAREFUL AROUND WATER.**

13/07/16: SANCTIONS FOR PAYMENT

Bedding plants for jubilee fountain area and planters around the village £165.00, fixing new bins at jubilee fountain and Duddon Inshore Rescue, Redsyke 1st Instalment of annual landscaping £1808.75, £975.00 Askam Indoor Bowling Club for a new bowling mat.

Proposed Cllr Sandra Hadwick **Seconded Cllr Bill Wilson** **Agreed**

14/07/16: DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 20 September 2016 at 7.15 pm in the Temperance Hall, Saves Lane, Ireleth

Signed by the Chairman Councillor Harry Barker as a true record on 20 September 2016