

**MINUTES OF THE 293rd MEETING OF ASKAM AND IRELETH PARISH COUNCIL, HELD  
TUESDAY 20 JUNE 2017 IN THE TEMPERANCE HALL, SAVES LANE, IRELETH**

**Present:** Members of the Parish Council; Cllr Bill Wilson, Vice Chairman, Cllrs Sandra Hadwick, Steven Smalley, Alan Mason, Mike Cumming and David Knight; also, present: Clerk Janice Cumming; Borough Councillor Ann Thurlow and 4 members of the public.

**1/06/17: DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST**

None

**2/06/17: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllrs Harry Barker, Denise Wilson, PCSO Louise Johns and County Councillor Ben Shirley.

**3/06/17: PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

**3/06/17/1: Parking on Duke Street/School Street.** Concerns were raised regarding vehicles parking on and around the corner of Duke Street and School Street. The vehicles were parked on and around the junction causing problems with access and visibility when vehicles were exiting School Street. It was felt this was a dangerous situation and causing an obstruction. Residents had reported this to the police, but no action had been taken. They had also asked the vehicle owners to park away from the junction with no response from them. The parish council were asked to inform Cumbria Highways and ask if yellow no parking lines could be installed at this junction. The Clerk would write to Highways. It was suggested that residents contact their County Councillor to ask for his input. Action Clerk

**3/06/17/2: Barrow Borough Council Local Plan.** Members of the public had attended the meeting held by Borough Council Officers regarding the new local plan. Their concerns were the amount of land being made available for development in Askam and Ireleth. The concerns being that adequate infrastructure was not being put in place for such large numbers of houses. They were also concerned that the number of dwellings and over-development would spoil the village feel of Askam and Ireleth. The area of land on Duke Street was a concern to the resident and he felt that only low-level housing would be acceptable in this area. This was something that residents needed to comment directly to Barrow Borough Council. The parish council have already made comments in line with the comments made to them from residents.

**3/06/17/3: Empire Carpet Advertising Wagon A595.** Comments were made regarding this wagon being parked in a field on the A595 entrance to the village. It was felt that it was inappropriate and spoiled the entrance to the village. It was also felt that such an advertisement could be dangerous on a busy road when drivers should be concentrating on the road, not on an advertising wagon. The Clerk would contact the owner of the field and ask for his assistance in this matter. Action Clerk

**3/06/17/4: Hedge on Ireleth Road.** A letter was presented to the parish council from a resident of Ireleth regarding an over-grown hedge on Ireleth Road which was causing problems to pedestrians using the pavement on Ireleth Road. Cllr Mason said he would try to speak to the home owner concerned. Otherwise it would need to be highlighted to Cumbria Highways. Cllr Hadwick and Cllr Bill Wilson mentioned other properties with hedges encroaching the pavements. The parish council ask residents if they would look at their properties and cut back any shrubs or hedging which is encroaching the pavement. Action Cllr Mason

**4/06/17: APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 16 MAY 2017**

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

**Proposed Cllr Alan Mason**

**Seconded Cllr Sandra Hadwick**

**Agreed**

**5/06/17: PROGRESS REPORT FROM ACTION ITEMS**

**5/06/17/1: Village Tidy and Litter Pick.** This was well attended and the parish council would like to thank everyone who gave up their time to help get the carnival route clean and tidy. Closed

**5/06/17/2: Standing Water on Steel Street.** Response from Highways Engineer. I have had a look at Steel Street and considered the options. The only viable solution is to resurface the road to remove the ponding issue at the face of the kerb line. This is not a cheap solution and considering the current work load and urgency of other work in the district I have placed it on the list for a future scheme. The Clerk has informed the resident who brought it to the attention of the parish council. She advised the resident to contact our County Councillor who may be able to help. Closed

**5/06/17/3: Speeding on Ireleth Road.** The pneumatic tubes have been now been removed from Ireleth Road. The Clerk has asked Victoria Upton for data to the parish council when available. Ongoing

**5/06/17/4: Extra Road Markings in Village.** The limited parking sign has been installed at the Community Centre on Duke Street. Closed

**5/06/17/4: Painting of Police Pod.** The Clerk has contacted CJS Painting and Decorating and is waiting for a quotation from them. Action Clerk

**5/06/17/5: Work at Moor Road.** Work is continuing Moor Road. No update from Cumbria Highways.

#### **6/06/17: TO REPORT AND DISCUSS ANY PLANNING ISSUES – CLLR DAVID KNIGHT**

**B22/2017/0363** - 3 Duke Street (The Co-Op) Askam-in-Furness Cumbria LA16 7AA

Proposal: Advertisement consent to display 1 fascia sign, 1 projector sign and 1 logo sign (all illuminated) and 3 non-illuminated wall mounted panels. No comments or objections.

**B20/2017/0257** - 1 Duke Street Askam-in-Furness Cumbria LA16 7AA

Proposal: Change of use from a retail shop (Use class A1) to a hairdressers and beauty salon (Sui Generis). No comments or objections.

**B21/2017/0274** – Appleby, Askam Road Dalton-in-Furness Cumbria LA15 8JX Proposal: Conservatory to the rear elevation.

No comments or objections.

**B28/2017/0252** - Proposed Dormer Bungalow John Street Askam-in-Furness Cumbria

Proposal: Approval of details reserved by conditions No.3 (material samples), No.4 (Drainage), No.5 (preliminary investigation), No.10 (boundary details), No.11 (landscaping scheme), No.14 (driveway surface treatment) and No.16 (construction method statement).

Comments were made regarding vehicles using John Street during any construction and historic problems with drains in the area. The parish council asked that these issues should be left to the Planning Officer and Utilities Company who have more information and expertise than the parish council. The Clerk was asked to respond.

**B21/2017/0355** - 55 Saves Lane, Ireleth, Askam in Furness Proposal: Erection of rear first floor balcony. No comments or objections.

#### **7/06/17: REPORT FROM POLICE AND ROAD TRAFFIC MATTERS – PSCO LOUISE JOHNS**

Report for May 2017 – 2 anti-social behaviour which includes 1 Parents parking at Ireleth School, parents have been advised; 1 domestic harassment, nuisance calls and text messages; 0 assaults; 1 burglary at Urofoam, boards removed to gain access but no property taken; 1 criminal damage to a vehicle on Saves Lane, damage to door panel, light and wing mirror; no drug related incidents.

#### **8/06/17: UPDATE FROM PARISH COUNCIL CO-ORDINATION GROUP MEETING**

Moorside and National Grid Projects have now gone on hold due to parent company issues with the Moorside Development. Consequently, the final PCCG meeting was held last Wednesday and will be resurrected should the Project proceed later. It was also agreed that the group would come together whenever there were any issues affecting the Parishes around the estuary that would benefit from concerted action. Members were also encouraged to attend a workshop being held by CALC and WYG to respond to the question whether the consultation held by NG was appropriate and to support the workshops currently proposed for around the 11/12/13 July 2017. The Chairman gave a vote of thanks to Cllr Steven Smalley and Mike Cumming for attending these meetings on behalf of the parish council and keeping the parish council updated.

#### **9/06/17: UPDATE FROM BOROUGH AND COUNTY COUNCILLOR**

Borough Councillor Ann Thurlow mentioned that staff cuts were being made by the company now responsible for street care in the Borough and said this would likely impact on Askam and Ireleth.

The Chairman then read out an update from Cumbria County Council Highways:

Patching completed at Marsh Lane; Design now complete for the drainage scheme north of Ireleth near Bankfield House with phase one of three starting in a couple of weeks; Between Lots Road and the A590 roundabout on the A595 we are starting a programme to remove trees and brushwood along this stretch to increase visibility along the fast stretches; The barriers for Sandy Lane have been ordered.

Weed spraying will be carried out by Cumbria Highways to the following areas in Askam and Ireleth: Dalton Road, Duke Street, Lots Road, Alexander Place, New Road, Duddon Road, Ireleth Hill as far as St Peter's School and Saves Lane.

**10/06/17: REPORT FROM CLERK INCLUDING FINANCES**

The monthly finance and expenditure sheet was made available to all parish councillors. This was accepted as a true record.

**Proposed Cllr Bill Wilson**

**Seconded Cllr Steven Smalley**

**Agreed**

The Clerk reported that the grant to Drop Zone had now been returned.

**11/06/17: CORRESPONDENCE** to check the appendix of items all of which will be available at the meeting for inspection.

Household Emergency Plan Booklet from Action for Cumbria. The parish council thought these were extremely useful and asked the Clerk to obtain more if possible to hand out in the village.

Action Clerk

**12/06/17: SANCTIONS FOR PAYMENT**

Cllr M Cumming mileage to Thwaites to attend PCCG meeting £12.60, Gloves for litter pick £10.40, 2<sup>nd</sup> class postage stamps £6.72, Compost for village planters £30.00, 123 registration for website (2 years) £78.94, Monthly landscape and maintenance charge £916.00, Annual cost to update website (Ryan Terpilowski) £150.00, CALC Annual Membership £345.78, Annual Parish Council Public Liability Insurance Zurich £1575.70.

**13/06/17: VILLAGE ANNUAL CARNIVAL**

The parish council asked that thanks were sent to the Carnival committee and all their helpers for putting on such a wonderful event for the village on 4 June.

Action Clerk

**14/06/17: DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday 18 July 2017 at 7.15 pm in the Rankin Hall, Duke Street, Askam

Signed by Harry Barker, Chairman

Dated 18 July 2017