

**MINUTES OF THE 303rd MEETING OF ASKAM AND IRELETH PARISH COUNCIL, HELD
TUESDAY 15 MAY 2018 IN THE RANKIN HALL, DUKE STREET, ASKAM**

Present: Members of the Parish Council; Harry Barker, Chairman, Cllr Bill Wilson, Vice Chairman, Cllrs Sandra Hadwick, Mike Cumming, Denise Wilson, Alan Mason, David Knight and Steven Smalley; also, present: PCSOs Louise Johns and John McVea, Clerk Janice Cumming, Borough Councillor Ann Thurlow, County Councillor Ben Shirley and 12 members of the public.

1/05/18: DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Cllr Denise Wilson item 5/05/18/2, Cllr Steve Smalley item 8/05/18, Cllr Harry Barker item 7/05/18 B13/2018/0287, Cllr Alan Mason item 7/05/18 B21/2018/0344 Cllr Sandra Hadwick item 9/05/18.

2/05/18: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

3/05/18: PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

3/05/18/1: Parking outside Askam Post Office. The owners of the post office approached Cllr Bill Wilson regarding issues with parking outside the post office. Older members of the community are unable to park anywhere near to the post office to shop and collect their pensions because of Sellafield commuters parking there all day. This is now affecting business for the owners of the post office. Cllr Ben Shirley agreed to meet with Cllr Wilson and view the area.

3/05/18/2: Parking at Greenhaume. A resident of Greenhaume contacted the parish council regarding vehicles parking at Greenhaume all day, these are commuters using Greenhaume as a parking area while car sharing for work further up the West Coast. Some of the vehicles are parking on the pavement and close to junctions causing problems for residents. The parish council escalating this issue to the Police and our County Councillor. The police have given 'advice notices' to vehicle owners and will be monitoring the area on a regular basis.

3/05/18/3: Designated Street Cleaner for Askam and Ireleth. A member of the public noted that Dalton have a designated street cleaner and asked why such a facility is not afforded to Askam and Ireleth. The parish council advised that this is something that should be brought to the attention of our Borough Councillor and the resident has contacted Borough Councillor Ann Thurlow.

3/05/18/4: Community Field. A member of the public mentioned that part of the old metal fence, which was buried when the community field was built is now showing on the surface of the field. Councillor Harry Barker will look at this and have the old fence excavated. **Action Cllr Barker**

4/05/18: APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 17 APRIL 2018

These were approved and agreed as a true and accurate record and duly signed and dated by the Chairman
Proposed Cllr Bill Wilson **Seconded Cllr Harry Barker** **Agreed**

5/05/18: PROGRESS REPORT FROM ACTION ITEMS

5/05/18/1: Litter bin for Tippins Lane. Barrow Borough Council have sited a litter bin on the lay-bye at Tippins Lane. **Closed**

5/05/18/2: Emergency Beach Access Signs. These have been ordered.

5/05/18/3: Police Pod. CJS have commenced repairing and painting the inside of the Police Pod.

5/05/18/4: Friends of Askam Station. Mike Cumming gave an update on the work at the station. The path and paved area have been completed. Once the Furness Railway Bench has been received it will be sited in that area. The story board has been ordered. Mike mentioned that Sunday train services begin this Sunday 20 May 2018.

5/05/18/4: Moor Road. Since the last meeting the parish council have made contact with Keiron Tetchner of Cumbria Highways. The issue of Moor Road was discussed with Senior Officers of Cumbria Highways at a meeting of IRP priorities. Particular focus was put on a scheme for Moor Road. Keiron's view was the same as the parish council in that this road has been closed for some time and needs a solution. This was accepted and it was agreed that we push forward on this scheme. Initially Highways will go back out to some contractors to see if they can get better value for money in relation to price. Keiron has also asked that our in house TAA (Technical Approval) confirm this is the correct solution. Presently there is no time scale but it looks like this is beginning to move. Keiron will keep the parish council updated.

6/05/18: REPORT FROM POLICE AND ROAD TRAFFIC MATTERS – PCSO LOUISE JOHNS

Figures for April 1 anti-social behaviour – wagon shedding waste on the junction of A595 and A590, 5 incidents of domestic violence, 4 which were at the same address, a vehicle scratched on Duke Street, 1 bottle of vodka stolen from the Co-Op. The Speed Indicator was still on the Lots Road, PCSO Johns would take readings and report back at the next meeting. Cllr Bill Wilson mentioned that from some of the completed questionnaires there were complaints from residents regarding 3 motor cycles regularly speeding around the village. Details of these bikes were given to PCSO Johns.

7/05/18: TO REPORT ON AND DISCUSS ANY PLANNING ISSUES – CLLR DAVID KNIGHT

B21/2018/0285 – **Location:** 16 Caspian Road Askam-in-Furness. **Proposal :** Proposed rear ground floor extension forming a sun room. No objections or comments.

B13/2018/0287 - **Location :** Cliffways Tippins Lane Ireleth Askam-in-Furness. **Proposal :** Conversion of barn into a one bedroom residential unit. No objections or comments

B21/2018/0216 - **Location:** 77 Saves Lane Ireleth Askam-in-Furness Cumbria **Proposal :** Removal of roof structure and raising to provide first floor living accommodation by 900mm. Construction of two storey side and front extension to provide ground floor garage, boot room, utility room and wc with bedroom at first floor. No objects or comments with the re-submitted plan which showed more clearly the off road parking area for the proposed development.

B21/2018/0344 - **Location:** Greenacres Saves Lane Ireleth Askam-in-Furness. **Proposal :** Rear ground extension and new dormer at first floor level. Concerns were raised from the parish council regarding the size of the development and the impact it would have on the neighbouring properties, particularly with regards to loss of light and overshadowing of these properties. The development may also cause problems with loss of privacy and overlooking the neighbouring properties. Residents of the neighbouring properties voiced their concerns and the parish council advised that they should contact Barrow Borough Council Planning with their concerns. The applicant was also present and he took note of the concerns.

B18/2018/0301 - **Location :** Land adjacent to Partylite Manufacturing Ltd Park Road Barrow-in-Furness **Proposal :** Replacement perimeter fence to secure the site. No objections or comments. The Clerk was asked to respond.

Action Clerk

8/05/18: GRANT REQUEST FROM 3RD DUDDON SCOUTS

The 3 group leaders gave an excellent presentation regarding the Scouts Internal ‘Red Rose’ Summer Camp to be held in Kendal at which scout groups from all over the world will be attending. Our scout group are fundraising to help buy t.shirts and hoodies to wear at the event. They have designed their own logo (one depicting a natterjack toad) and picked the colour. The parish council agreed to support the group on what would be a great opportunity for our young people. It was agreed to fund the group with a grant of £200.00 as requested. The Chairman thanked the Mr Johnston and the 3 leaders for attending the meeting.

Proposed Cllr Harry Baker

Seconded Cllr Alan Mason

Agreed

9/05/18: REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FROM IRELETH WITH ASKAM WI

WI President Mrs Karen Hanks asked if the parish council would consider supporting an event the WI are planning for July which would be a children’s arts and craft event to be held in the Rankin Hall. One of the subjects would be litter in the village. The parish council agreed that litter is something that concerns most people in the village and is one of the areas of the parish plan. They felt it was something they would be happy to support. A donation of £25.00 would be made as a prize for the winner of the competition.

Proposed Cllr Mike Cumming

Seconded Cllr Steve Smalley

Agreed

10/05/18: 5-PARISH PLAN COMMENCING 2019 – CLLR BILL WILSON

Cllr Bill Wilson reported that 133 questionnaires had been returned up to date. Cllr Wilson had prepared a spread sheet and entered all the comments and done some preliminary findings which were very interesting and will prove extremely useful when putting the plan together. The parish council will have a presence at the carnival to promote the questionnaire and get feedback from residents. The Chairman thanked Cllr Wilson for all his sterling work on this project.

11/05/18: MEETING WITH BARROW BOROUGH COUNCIL RE STREET CARE

Cllr Mike Cumming met with Barrow BC's Executive Director Phil Huck regarding the issue of over-flowing litter bins and lack of street cleaning in Askam and Ireleth. Phil Huck said that as part of the contract FCC should be regularly checking litter bins in the Borough and non should be more than 75% full. Cllr Cumming said that this was not happening in A&I as bins were over flowing on a regular basis. Street cleaning was also discussed and both these areas will be monitored by the parish council.

12/05/18: BARROW BOROUGH LOCAL PLAN – CLLR MIKE CUMMING

Cllr Mike Cumming stated that there will be series of meetings in June where the Secretary of States' Inspector will hold a public meeting on the Barrow Borough Councils local plan. This will be a meeting to review whether the Plan has achieved its objectives, its not to reopen the discussions on the detail of the plan. Meetings are in Barrow Town Hall for 3 weeks, Tuesday to Thursday, 5th June to 21st June.

13/05/18: REVIEW AND ADOPT GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATION POLICY

Cllr Mike Cumming stated that the policy needs to be accepted prior to the 25th May 2018 and published on the website. It has previously been circulated and there was one late change in that the Parish Council does not now need a Data Protection Officer. The amended plan was put forward and accepted.

Proposed Cllr Bill Wilson

Seconded Cllr Sandra Hadwick

Agreed

14/05/18: REPORT FROM CLERK (including finances)

The monthly expenditure spread sheet was made available to all parish councillors. This was agreed.

Proposed Cllr David Knight

Seconded Cllr Harry Barker

Agreed

The Clerk reported that the precept had been received from Barrow Borough Council, £24,000.00 and the VAT return from HMRC had been received. The annual account statement had been posted on the parish council website. www.askamandirelethparishcouncil.org.uk

15/05/18: UPDATE FROM BOROUGH AND COUNTY COUNCILLOR

Borough Councillor Ann Thurlow reported that litter is a problem in Dalton and she recently met with Cllr Proffitt who heads the waste management committee. She particularly mentioned Roanhead, which is part of the parish of Askam and Ireleth, bins are supposed to be emptied daily in that area and this is not happening. County Councillor Ben Shirley was asked about the LED speed indicators on Ireleth Road. Cllr Shirley said this was something he was keen to take up with the Police and Crime Commissioner and hoped to bring him to the village in the near future. Speeding in the village is something Cllr Shirley is very concerned about and hopes to set up a 'speed watch programme' he hopes the Commissioner will support this initiative for the village. Cllr Shirley asked if the parish council would be willing for the Commissioner to attend a parish council meeting, this was welcomed by all the parish councillors. Cllr Shirley is also bringing Cumbria Highways to the village to look at issues raised by residents and the parish council. It was agreed that if required a member of the parish council would meet with Cllr Shirley and Highways.

17/05/18: CORRESPONDENCE to check the appendix of items all of which will be available at the meeting for inspection.

17/05/18/1: Invitation to Barrow Civic Sunday. Cllr Mike Cumming and guest would represent the parish council at Civic Sunday. The Clerk was asked to respond. **Action Clerk**

17/05/18/2: Each parish councillor had been sent an email from Barrow BC to register any changes to their pecuniary and other registrable interest. These must be completed within 28 days and a response sent by each parish councillor to Barrow BC.

18/05/18: SANCTIONS FOR PAYMENT

Zurich Insurance, Annual Public Liability Insurance £1,539.68, CALC Annual Subscription £365.00, Aqua ProJet Monthly Landscape and Maintenance Contract £570.84.

Proposed Cllr Bill Wilson

Seconded Cllr David Knight

Agreed

19/05/18: DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 19 June 2018 at 7.15 pm in the Rankin Hall, Duke Street, Askam

Signed Bill Wilson, Vice Chairman

Dated 19 July 2018