

## Coniston Parish Council

### Minutes of the Meeting of Coniston Parish Council held in the Reading Room, Coniston Institute, Coniston at 7pm on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2019

**Present:** Cllr T Coward (Chair)  
Cllrs –K Batty, J R Carroll, A Hall & A Thompson  
Clerk – J C Carroll

**In attendance:** 2 members of the public

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| 234/2019      | <b>Apologies</b><br><b>RESOLVED:</b> Apologies received and accepted from Cllr Troughton  |           |
| 235/2019      | <b>Requests for Dispensations</b><br>No requests received.  |           |
| 236/2019      | <b>Declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests in respect of Agenda items</b><br>All Councillors as Custodian Trustees of the Coniston Institute and Ruskin Museum.   |           |
| 237/2019      | <b>Minutes of Meeting 17<sup>th</sup> June 2019</b><br><b>RESOLVED:</b> that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 17 <sup>th</sup> June 2019 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chair.  |           |
| 238/2019      | <b>Public Participation</b><br><br><u>County Cllr Brereton</u><br>County Cllr Brereton sent his apologies with an update. A site visit is still awaited from Highways on previous issues raised and it is likely to be at the end of summer or September. There has been an update on the Working Together initiative confirming working with three outside bodies with the aim of drafting three template trial agreements that other parishes can use. Our involvement will be critical in setting these up correctly. The solution to the issue of rogue parking is to get the parking enforcement team out to have a look and discuss with them what can be done about illegal or inconsiderate parking outside of working hours.<br><br><u>National Trust</u><br>Cllrs Coward, Hall and Thompson went on a visit with the National Trust to the Greenburn hydro in Langdale valley. It was a very interesting visit and the scheme almost blends completely into the background. It generates enough electricity for 35 houses and will pay for itself within 11 years. They are keen to find any areas suitable for schemes in Coniston.<br><br><u>Public Participation</u><br>The vegetation by the fence on the B5285 part of Monk Coniston is very overgrown with beech trees growing into the road. |           |

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| <p><b>239/2019</b></p>                        | <p><b>Update on Ongoing Issues and Actions from Last Meeting</b></p> <p><u>To update on the noise complaint in connection with early morning collections by Cumbria Waste</u><br/>Cllr Coward has spoken to Cumbria Waste and people affected are keeping a log of problems. The Environmental Health are aware and investigating.</p> <p><u>To update on the action points following the Parish Walk on 14<sup>th</sup> June</u><br/>Some of the action points have been completed and some are ongoing.</p> <p>The Clerk reported a quote has been given for replacing part of the footpath in the playground and grants could be obtained towards it.</p>  |  |
| <p><b>240/2019</b></p> <p><b>241/2019</b></p> | <p><b>Planning Applications</b></p> <p>7/2019/5193 - Haws Bank Cottage, Haws Bank, Bowmanstead, Coniston - Renovation of Cottage and alterations to provide porch to front elevation and glazed stair enclosure to the rear<br/><b>RESOLVED:</b> Cllrs have no objections.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> Cllrs noted the following Notices of Grant of Planning Permission</p> <p>7/2019/5289 - 1 , Holly How Close, Yewdale Road, Coniston - Revisions to plot 1 (previously approved as part of development approved under reference 7/2016/5685)</p> <p>7/2019/5314 - 11, The Garth, Coniston - Non-material amendment to planning application ref. 7/2012/5151 (two storey extension and alterations. New driveway with gated access) - changes to the window and door arrangement</p>  |  |
| <p><b>242/2019</b></p>                        | <p><b>Highways</b></p> <p><u>To update on the work carried out by the Coniston Lengthsman</u><br/>Cllrs reported Archie Workman continues to do a good job throughout the Parish.</p> <p><u>To update on the response from supermarkets regarding deliveries on The Banks</u><br/>The Clerk reported chase up letters had been sent to the local Tesco and Asda and no further response has been received from Sainsbury's.</p> <p><u>To update on other Highways issues in the Parish</u><br/>The hedges on the east side of the lake near cutting back along with the topiary trees at High Ground.</p> <p>The hedges of properties on Hawkshead Hill have overgrown causing a narrowing of the road.</p> <p>It was reported that Machells Coppice car park is being closed.</p> <p>The drains on Lake Road and Tilberthwaite Avenue have been unblocked.</p> |  |

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| 243/2019                       | <p><b>Vacancy - Coniston Parish Council Clerk</b><br/>The Clerk reported there have been two applications for the Parish Clerk position.<br/><b>RESOLVED:</b> Clerk to arrange interviews with the Chair and Vice Chair.</p>   |                  |         |        |        |                                |        |  |
| 244/2019                       | <p><b>Resignation of Parish Councillor</b><br/>The Clerk reported SLDC have confirmed the vacancy can be filled by co-option.<br/><br/><b>RESOLVED:</b> Clerk to advertise the Cllr vacancy on local noticeboards and CDC e-mail. It will also be placed on social media. Applications to sent to the Clerk and received by 12<sup>th</sup> August.</p>  |                  |         |        |        |                                |        |  |
| 245/2019                       | <p><b>South Lakeland District Council Tree Planting Scheme</b><br/>Cllrs suggested places trees could be planted including the playground.<br/><b>RESOLVED:</b> Cllr Coward will follow this up.</p>   |                  |         |        |        |                                |        |  |
| 246/2019                       | <p><b>Councillor Matters</b><br/>Cllr Hall reported she has been getting some benches replaced and refurbished.<br/><br/>Cllr Hall has emptied the donation boxes at the toilets for the last month and collected £302.18.<br/><br/>The X12 bus service is in a financial crisis again and grants are being applied for. A coffee morning is being held on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July in the Reading Room.<br/><br/>Holiday cottages in Coniston need to be encouraged to recycle.</p>  |                  |         |        |        |                                |        |  |
| 247/2019                       | <p><b>Financial Matters</b><br/><br/><u>Payments</u><br/><b>RESOLVED:</b> Cllrs authorised payment of the following:-</p> <table border="0" data-bbox="300 1328 1313 1440"> <tr> <td>• Clerk's Salary</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£336.42</td> </tr> <tr> <td>• HMRC</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£84.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>• Coniston &amp; District Catering</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£66.00</td> </tr> </table>  | • Clerk's Salary | £336.42 | • HMRC | £84.00 | • Coniston & District Catering | £66.00 |  |
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| 248/2019                       | <p><b>Correspondence</b><br/><b>RESOLVED:</b> Cllrs noted the following e-mails:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CALC – CALC June newsletter; Ending Business Rates on Council Public Toilets</li> <li>• Cumbria CVS - First Steps to Grant Funding – Kendal; South Lakeland Community Newsletter 24/06/2019</li> <li>• SLDC – Parish Tree Planting Scheme; SLDC's Green Team weekly tip; Climate Change conversations</li> <li>• LDNPA - Dig Deeper - 4th October 2019; Coniston Epic Swim - 31st August 2019; EAG 08.09.19 Annual Tour de Furness Charity Cycle Ride</li> <li>• Torver Parish Council – minutes June; TPC Annual Accounts and Documents; agenda 4<sup>th</sup> July</li> <li>• Lakes Parish Council – minutes 5<sup>th</sup> June; minutes 19<sup>th</sup> June; agenda 3<sup>rd</sup> July</li> <li>• ROSPA - Notification of play area inspection in August for Coniston Parish Council</li> </ul> |                  |         |        |        |                                |        |  |

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|                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Garden Organic - Garden Organic Volunteer Composting Scheme</li> <li>• Rusland Horizons - Sign up to be a member of the Rusland Horizons Trust Limited</li> <li>• Velo Retro – 14<sup>th</sup> July</li> </ul> |  |
| <b>249/2019</b> | <b>Next Meeting</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monday 19<sup>th</sup> August 2019 7pm at the Reading Room, Coniston Institute</li> </ul>  |  |

Meeting closed at 8.20pm.

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Signed & Approved by (Chair)