

Coniston Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of Coniston Parish Council held in the Reading Room, Coniston Institute, Coniston at 7.00pm on Monday 15th October 2018

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

In attendance: 3 members of the public

Minute Number		Action By
282/2018	Apologies RESOLVED: No apologies.	
283/2018	Requests for Dispensations No requests received.	
284/2018	Declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests in respect of Agenda items All Councillors as Custodian Trustees of the Coniston Institute and Ruskin Museum.	
285/2018	Minutes of Meeting 17th September 2018 RESOLVED: that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 17 th September 2018 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chair.	
286/2018	<p>Public Participation</p> <p><u>Coniston Christmas Lights Committee</u> Katie Dawson spoke on behalf of the Coniston Christmas Lights Committee. They pay for public liability insurance when the lights go up and it was questioned if this is already covered by the Parish Council. There has not been as much fundraising done this year due to work commitments. £2,127.00 has been raised this year through donations and fundraising. The lights this year will cost approx. £3,500.00. After this years' lights the committee will have approx. £3,000.00 in the bank.</p> <p>It was suggested there needs to be a Memo of Understanding for sub-committees of the Parish Council.</p> <p><u>PCSO D Ross</u> During the period 20th August to the 15th October 2018 there were 22 calls for service in the Coniston area. These break down as follows:</p> <p>8 Concerns for safety, 7 of which resulted in Mountain Rescues 1 Incident of Assault resulting in 2 crimes 3 Highway Disruptions – 2 were trees in the road 2 Thefts including boating equipment</p>	

- 2 Domestic incidents – no crimes reported
- 1 Road related offence crime recorded
- 2 Suspicious incidents
- 1 crime of burglary non-dwelling
- 2 RTC's damage only

Following the recent tragic events at Hodge Close, we would like to remind people of the dangers of jumping from quarries and bridges.

The date for next Police Desk at Coniston Library is Wednesday 21st November 2018 from 10am – 12 noon.

County Councillor – Matt Brereton

County Cllr Brereton sent his apologies along with an e-mail report. Cumbria County Council has offered to support the operator of the X112 in preparing a business plan. County Cllr Brereton is working with the Children and Young People's working group on CCC to bolster the A2B NoW card take-up as this can help support this rural route. Community Grant Fund applications need to be submitted before the end of the year. Coniston Primary School is looking for a local-authority-appointed governor, if anyone has any suggestions to contact the headmistress.

District Councillor – Anne Hall / Tracy Coward / Matt Brereton

District Cllr Coward reported there were positive updates from South Lakeland District Council over the weekend with Storm Callum. There was a full Council meeting last Wednesday discussing the Customer Connect programme and staff cuts at senior command level. The Ulverston Leisure Centre is revising the plans for its tennis provision as Glaxo has pulled some of the money. It was questioned how much local people use the centre. There is a group looking to open up the Grange Lido.

District Cllr Hall has received concerns that people contacting SLDC are unable to get put through to the officers to speak and are only speaking to the front line staff.

Coniston & Torver Community Land Trust

Alastair Cameron sent an update by e-mail. There have been a few weeks delay in starting the new build of affordable housing to rent on Church Room Fields. The housing needs surveys continue to show a need for affordable homes to rent.

Cllrs attending the Institute Committee meeting

Cllr Hall reported that it was the AGM at the last meeting with everyone standing again for the same positions.

There was a discussion about the “road project” for the ginnel leading up from Yewdale Road past the Museum entrance to Coppermines Lane. Members of the managing committee have concerns about the proposal to remove the stone wall to provide parking which would remove a flood defence.

It was explained that the Parish Council acts as Custodian Trustees and holds the

	<p>assets on behalf of the village, it is the Managing Committee that makes the decisions about what happens. It was questioned what the voting rights are for Parish Councillors who are on the Managing Committee, Cllr Coward will look for clarity on this point.</p> <p><u>National Trust</u> John Moffat sent an email update. There is filming at Blea Tarn. There will be contractors on site in the Tarn Hows woodland by the end of the month creating significant change and a lot of timber coming down the roads. The tenants change at High Tilberthwaite Farm in early November.</p> <p><u>Public Participation</u> Comments were taken the about the proposed “road project” at the Institute.</p>	
287/2018	<p>Ongoing Issues and Actions from the Last Meeting</p> <p><u>To update on repairs required to the street lights on Days Bank</u> The local contractor anticipates carrying out the work this month. Residents are reporting the area is dark due to the street lights not working.</p> <p><u>To update on arranging a meeting with the Lake District National Park Authority Planning Department on concerns raised over planning matters</u> Clerk confirmed Steve Ratcliffe from LDNPA will attend the January meeting.</p> <p><u>To receive quote on repairing existing benches in Coniston</u> Cllr Coward is awaiting the quote from a local contractor.</p> <p><u>To receive a draft policy for benches in Coniston</u> Deferred.</p> <p><u>To receive draft guidelines for events held in Coniston</u> Deferred.</p> <p><u>Footpaths at Park Gate</u> Cllr Troughton reported she met with Simon Hill from the National Trust. He suggested speaking to Highways about a temporary pavement. It was difficult to put a gate or stile at the wall as it is a retaining way and there is a manhole in the way. The best solution would be to make it part of a 5 year plan of a Ambleside to Broughton way involving local landowners, LDNPA and National Trust.</p>	
288/2018	<p>Planning Applications</p> <p>7/2018/5552 - Tilberthwaite Farm, Coniston - Formation of no flue penetrations and installation of secondary glazing to the farmhouse RESOLVED: Cllrs support the application.</p>	
289/2018	<p><u>To consider the notice of planning application received on behalf of Coniston Institute for a new female toilet for the main building</u> RESOLVED: Cllrs support the proposals but questioned how this fits in with the</p>	

290/2018	<p>overall plan for the Institute over the next 5 years.</p> <p>RESOLVED: Cllrs noted the following Notice of Grant of Planning Permission: 7/2018/5320 – Bonsor Upper Mill site at Coniston Coppermines – reinstatement of 3 No waterwheels, wooden launder with stone piers and reinstatement of existing historic millraces & water storage area</p>	
291/2018	<p>Highways <u>To review the work required to tidy up highways in Coniston and agree who can carry out tasks in the absence of a Lengthsman Agreement</u> Cllr Swyer reported that Highways are still working on producing Lengthsman Agreements but there is no timetable although there is a £150,000 budget.</p> <p>It was suggested in addition to asking Archie Workman to repaint the village signs on the way in he should also quote for the black and white signposts in the village.</p> <p><u>To update on grants applied for towards new flower planters</u> A decision is awaited from Cumbria County Council.</p> <p><u>To update on other Highways issues in the Parish</u> Cllr Troughton met with Cumbria County Council about the lack of lighting on Lake Road. CCC has agreed to put an additional streetlight in place in approx. 4 – 6 weeks.</p> <p>CCC have recently carried out work on the drains at Hawkshead Hill.</p> <p>The street name sign for Ruskin Avenue in the hedge at the car park has been reported to SLDC. On 1st October they confirmed it would be fixed within 8 – 10 days.</p> <p>Due to Storm Callum at the weekend there has been water flowing down The Banks causing flooding at Vale View.</p>	
292/2018	<p>Kirkby Moor Protectors RESOLVED: Cllrs agreed to send a letter of support in the appeal for the Kirkby Moor Windfarm</p>	
293/2018	<p>Coniston Christmas Tree Cllr Coward explained that the National Trust will donate a 15 foot Christmas Tree to Coniston for this year. If the tree is going to go on the Campbell Memorial there is the issue of supplying electricity to it for the lights. RESOLVED: Cllr Coward to look at having a Christmas Tree placed either in the TIC garden or the churchyard for this year. It would cost approx. £500.00.</p>	
294/2018	<p>World War I Centenary Celebrations Cllrs Coward, Hall and Troughton are arranging the centenary celebrations in Coniston. The silhouettes have arrived and will be placed in the church for the service. After the service a war time tea will be held in the Institute where</p>	

	<p>photographs from the years will be shared and young people will record the stories and memories people have from the war time.</p> <p>Cllr Carroll reported that Grizedale Arts are producing ceramic poppies in commemoration of those who died in World War 1 and these will be mounted in the TIC garden.</p>											
295/2018	<p>Councillor Matters</p> <p>The LDNPA are treating the Japanese Knotweed on the banks but there is also another landowner that has it on their property and needs to be informed.</p> <p>The Primary School has been nominated for the Cumbria Sports Award as they currently do 18+ sports.</p> <p>District Council are giving money towards the X112 bus service but it can only be used for marketing.</p> <p>Elterwater Quarry is closing with 16 redundancies.</p> <p>One of the proposals from the National Trust for Yew Tree Tarn is to remove the dam and make the area into a wet land. Cllrs will arrange a meeting with John Moffat.</p>											
296/2018	<p>Financial Matters</p> <p>RESOLVED: Cllrs noted the financial summary from July to September</p>											
297/2018	<p><u>To consider the budget for 2019/20</u> Deferred until the next meeting.</p>											
298/2018	<p>RESOLVED: Cllrs approved the following grant applications</p> <table> <tr> <td>Coniston Institute</td> <td>£500.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ruskin Museum</td> <td>£500.00</td> </tr> </table> <p>The Coniston Community Development Centre would be invited to a future meeting to discuss their grant application.</p>	Coniston Institute	£500.00	Ruskin Museum	£500.00							
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301/2018	<p>Correspondence</p> <p>RESOLVED: Cllrs noted the following e-mails:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CALC – Friday round up; September CALC Newsletter; LDNPA move to electronic planning consultation; Cumbria County Council - Working Together Programme - Webpage Launch and Briefing paper; Lake District Parish Forum Ambleside 10th October; CALC AGM 10th November; CALC Nominations and Motions to the AGM; Paperwork for Next South Lakeland District Association Meeting - Thursday 29th November • Cumbria CVS - Volunteer Training - Mental Health Awareness (Level 1); South Lakeland Community News; Cumbria CVS AGM and Conference; Manual Handling Training; Community Grant funding • SLDC – Website Link to SLDC Standards Committee Agenda - 18 September 2018; SLDC Council Agenda for Meeting on Wednesday, 10 October 2018 • CCC - Armistice Day 2018 - Lieutenancy presence; Urgent Road Closure Notice B5285, Hawkshead • Torver Parish Council – minutes 6th September; agenda 4th October • Hawkshead Parish Council – agenda 18th September ; minutes 18th September • Blawith & Subberthwaite – minutes 10th September; agenda 8th October • Lakes Parish Council – Plans Agenda 19th September; minutes 5th September, agenda 3rd October • Coniston Institute - The Ruskin Museum - Autumn Art Exhibition special invitation • Grizedale Stages Rally 2018 – 8th December • Keswick 2 Barrow walk 2019 	
302/2018	<p>Next Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monday 19th November 2018 7pm at the Reading Room, Coniston Institute 	

Meeting closed at 9.10pm.

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Signed & Approved by (Chair)