

**Parish Council Meeting to be held on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2018  
at the Over Kellet Village Hall, commencing at 7.15pm**

**AGENDA**

1. To receive apologies
2. To consider and approve Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2018 (attached to the agenda)
3. To receive Declarations of Interest
4. To adjourn the meeting for a period of public discussion and to provide 'information only' updates on activities in recent weeks. (Note: Any matters needing a 'decision' will be considered as an agenda item at a future meeting)

- a. Public discussion
- b. Clerk's report on activities and correspondence since the last meeting
- c. Members updates and reports since the last meeting, including:

1) LALC	2) Quarries (see Chair's report)	3) Village Hall
4) B4RN	5) Lengthsman	6) Other matters

- d. Report of District and County Councillors

5. A Plaque for Goosegate. To consider a proposal to install a plaque to commemorate the village's defence against the Border Rievers. Councillor May to address (document attached)
6. To consider and comment on the list of planning applications and decisions set out below (details previously circulated):

<b>Application No:</b>	<b>Description</b>
18/01342/CU	Change of use of agricultural land into caravan sales area, including laying of hardstanding, alterations to land levels and erection of retaining walls. McCarthy Caravan Parks, Castle View Park, Borwick Road, Capernwray. <b>Consultation deadline 16<sup>th</sup> November 2018.</b>

7. To receive an update on planning authority decisions on previously considered applications (report attached).

8. To authorise payment of the following accounts:

Payee & Detail	£
Mr Derek Whiteway – Parish Clerk salary and expenses, Oct 2018	228.53
HMRC – PAYE deductions for Oct 2018	48.60
St Cuthbert’s Church – Grounds Maintenance Contribution 2018/19	540.00
Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal - wreath and additional poppy Decorations	45.00
Village Hall Committee – hire of hall, 09/10/18	14.00

9. To consider date and time of next meeting

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**Derek Whiteway**  
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**5<sup>th</sup> November 2018**

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## PARISH OF OVER KELLET

### Draft Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at the Over Kellet Village Hall on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2018 at 7.15pm.

**Present:** Councillor Mr N Ward - Chair  
Councillor Mr G Agnew  
Councillor Mr S Atkins  
Councillor Mr M May  
City Councillor Mr R Mace  
Mr D Whiteway (Parish Clerk)

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

#### 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Apologies were received from Councillor Mrs R Lauder and County Councillor Mrs P Williamson

#### 2 MINUTES:

It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the meeting held on **Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2018** be approved and signed.

##### Matters Arising:

**Min 2(2)(4(1)) Painting of kissing gates. ACTION:** The Clerk had contacted the City Council to request the completion of this work through the Community Payback scheme. A detailed response was awaited.

**Min 2 (2 (12)) Parish Plan.** The Chair had submitted an article for the October 'OK View' on the outcome of the Parish Plan Survey. The Parish Plan Group was due to meet again on Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> October 2018 to consider an initial draft of the Plan, drawing on the survey results.

**Min 2 (4(8)) Panorama Sign for Bay Croft.** Councillor Agnew reported that the sign had been promised by the date of the meeting.

**Min 5(7) B4RN.** The Chair reported that the Ceilidh held on 15<sup>th</sup> September had been a success.

**Min 8 Remembrance Sunday.** The Clerk reported that County Highways' assistance with road closure barriers and signs had been requested. Volunteers were still required to help erect the marquee at 10.00am on Saturday, 10<sup>th</sup> November 2018 and dismantle it following the service.

Councillor Agnew presented some poster designs he had produced to publicise the Remembrance Service. Councillor Agnew was thanked for his work and it was agreed that 6 or so posters should be produced for display around the Parish.

**Min 10 Caravan near Restarigg Farm.** The Clerk reported that he had lodged a complaint about the caravan with the City Council Planning Enforcement team. A response had been received which indicated that, given the current use of the caravan and the lack of permanent services, etc it was not currently contravening planning regulations. The Chair reported that the caravan had been moved slightly so that it was not now fully on the skyline. It was agreed that the issue should be kept under review.

#### 3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

Councillor May declared an interest, by virtue of his home address, in a consultation on draft modifications to the City Council's Local Plan, which was to be considered under agenda item 4.

#### 4 ADJOURNMENT FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION & INFORMATION ONLY UPDATES:

##### Reports from members of the public:

- (1) A question was asked about progress with the Speed Indication Device (SpID). The Chair advised that any further work or investment was being considered as an item in the developing Parish Plan.

##### Clerk's Report:

- (2) A cheque for £113 had been received from the Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator, following the closure of their account. This had been credited to the Emergency Plan account operated by the Parish Council.
- (3) Concerns over the safety of the roadside wall at the Eagles Head and the condition of the hedge along the footpath to Carnforth had been reported to County Highways by County Councillor Williamson.
- (4) Two residents had put their names forward as potential volunteers for the Community Road Watch scheme. This had been passed on to the Neighbourhood Policing team and advice on next steps is awaited.
- (5) The Clerk had contacted the Diving Centre and the Neighbourhood Policing Team about traffic issues reported around the Centre. The local Traffic Officer indicated that there was little the Police could do about the current situation, but that he would contact the Diving Centre operator to ask them to review the way they manage access to the car park in an effort to remove this queuing traffic.
- (6) The Clerk reported that he had received a letter from Lancaster City Council giving forward notice of costs associated with future elections, the next being in May 2019.
- (7) A letter had been received from the Lune Valley Rural Housing Association requesting expressions of interest from the district's parish councillors in joining the Association's Board. **ACTION:** The Clerk to circulate the letter to Parish Councillors for their consideration.
- (8) **Consultation on Local Plan Draft Modifications:** The Clerk reported that an invitation to comment on draft modifications to the Local Plan had been received from the City Council. Councillor May outlined areas of concern, including a proposed reduction in affordable housing targets and the inclusion of land adjacent to Church Bank and Greenways as an approved development.

Following a discussion involving members and public, it was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk and Councillor May should liaise to draft a response to the consultation covering the following:

Policy DM43 – Affordable Housing Targets. It is felt that the reductions are inappropriate in this area and should not be enforced.

Policy H2.11 – Land adj. Church Bank and Greenways. There are concerns that this was shown on the revised plan as available for development when the City Council planning portal does not show that permission has actually been granted. Significant concerns over the impact of this development on the area's ecology and over potential flooding issues.

Policy H2 – Old Hall Farm. Agreed that previous objections made should be revisited in the response. It was also noted that the draft Plan does not include the former Chicken Farm at Cockle Hill as an approved development.

### Members' Reports:

- (9) Quarries: The Chair reported that there had been a number of blasts but no complaints since the last meeting.
- (10) B4RN: The Chair reported that work on extending the network was continuing.
- (11) Village Green. The Chair reported that an unknown donor had supplied a stock of daffodil bulbs for planting on the Village Green. Councillors expressed thanks to the anonymous donor for this kind gift and Councillor May volunteered to organise the planting of the bulbs.

### City and County Councillors' Reports:

- (12) Councillor Mace advised that some concerns had been expressed by City Councillors over a perceived lack of Member involvement in some proposed changes to the Local Plan.

## 5 LENGTHSMAN CONTRACT:

The Chair outlined the terms of a draft contract for the Lengthsman service, which had been drafted and circulated by the Parish Clerk for Bolton-le-Sands Parish Council.

Aspects of the draft contract were discussed, including a clause relating to termination rights, which required clarification, and a need for assurance that the arrangement could not be viewed as constituting a contract of employment.

**RESOLVED:** That the contract be accepted and signed, but that action be taken to clarify the termination arrangements clause and the status of the contract as a contract for services.

## 6 NEW PLANNING CONSULTATIONS:

The following planning applications were considered. It was resolved to comment only on those cases where indicated:

Application No:	Description
18/01207/FUL	Erection of two 2-storey detached dwellings (C3) with associated access. Development Land - Plot 1 And 2, Kirkby Lonsdale Road, Over Kellet.  Re-submission of withdrawn application 18/01087/REM  <b>RESOLVED:</b> That an unsubmitted response to the withdrawn application 18/01087/REM, agreed at the previous meeting on 11 <sup>th</sup> September 2018, should now be submitted.
18/01257/FUL	Retrospective application for the retention of a stable and associated riding paddock and fencing. Clear Water Bistro And Bar, Clear Water Fisheries, Kellet Lane, Over Kellet.
18/01008/FUL	Outline application for the erection of an agricultural workers dwelling with associated access. Field 9759 Netherbeck Carnforth Lancashire LA6 1AA  <b>RESOLVED:</b> That a consultation response be submitted commenting on concerns that the building should remain tied to the farm buildings; issues of access and bio-security, including the safety of young children and spreading of infection; and the impact on the landscape.

Application No:	Description
18/01232/FUL	Installation of solar panels to the roof. 2 Jackdaw Quarry Capernwray Road, Capernwray. LA6 1AD

**7 PLANNING APPLICATION DECISIONS UPDATE:**  
 The Clerk presented an update on planning decisions, which was noted.  
 Councillor May advised that the application by Wilson’s Endowed CE School for a detached hall building (18/00947/FUL) had recently been approved.

**8 PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS:**

Cheque	Payee & Detail	£
100001	Village Hall Committee – hire of hall, 11/09/18	14.00
100002	Bolton-le-Sands PC - 2018/19 Lengthsman Scheme	1,494.00
100004	HMRC – PAYE deductions for Sept 2018	44.60
tba	Mr Derek Whiteway – Parish Clerk salary and expenses, Sept 2018	211.08

It was **RESOLVED** that the above accounts be paid.

**9 DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING:**  
 The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> November 2018 commencing at 7.15pm at the Over Kellet Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8:20pm

..... Clerk of the Council

..... Chair Date: .....

## Agenda Item: 4(c)(2)

### QUARRY REPORT

The biannual quarry meetings were held on October 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Joint Leaper's Wood/Dunald Mill Meeting (Tarmac).** Mr Reuben Parkinson is the new quarry manager and BAM RICHIES the new blasting contractors. This company has worldwide experience of many types of blasting and is now carrying out a regression analysis of blasting data to try and minimise the vibrations felt in different parts of the village for blasts in different parts of the quarry. It is hoped this, coupled with a move to more accurate electronic detonators and smaller (but more frequent) blasts, will help reduce the effects of blasting experienced by residents.

The uncertainty of the effect of BREXIT has caused a slow down in demand, which is currently 70kt per month, with a target of 750-850kt for the year and as a result night working has been suspended. Work continues in the west quarry and it is hoped to move the offices and weighbridges by Christmas which will allow the lighting towers to be dismantled. New mobile plant is currently being purchased which will reduce the carbon footprint.

Three complaints have been received since the last meeting, two relating to dust, which was a real problem caused by the dry summer. The two quarries worked together on this with water being pumped from Dunald Mill to both Leaper's Wood and Back Lane to try and control it.

**Back Lane (Aggregate Industries).** Demand has also slowed to about 90kt a month but with a predicted total for the year of 1.2 million tonnes. There is still large demand for asphalt and the plant is working a night shift.

There have been no blasting complaints since the last meeting but two complaints about dust.

Unfortunately blasting in Helks Wood has left an unstable face and work is currently underway to deal with this. Once it has been resolved the re-location of the viewing platform will be considered.

AI continue to oppose the proposal in the Lancaster Local Plan to build 500 houses south of Windermere Road as it considers the development will be too close to a working quarry.

The next meetings will take place on 12<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

## Agenda Item: 5

### A Plaque for “Goosegate”?

**Background.** After two centuries of benign weather and rapid population growth, the year 1300 saw the beginnings of a ‘Little Ice Age’. Temperatures dropped sharply summer and winter. The ground remained sodden, either due to heavier rainfall, or lack of evaporation. Most crop yields fell: some failed. There were eight years of famine nationally from 1315, with an estimated 5%-10% of the population dying of starvation. There were also heavy losses from various diseases among livestock, with over 50% of the bovine population dying.

There was a double whammy. The weather in Scotland was even more adverse than here, and starvation more rife. The Border Rievers, if we strip away their romantic image, were common robbers and murderers, and were increasingly active in the north-west. Other Scotsmen, perhaps normally law-abiding, also chanced their arm. Robert the Bruce’s armies made two incursions hereabouts, in 1316 and 1322, pillaging and destroying crops. Locally, Warton, Carnforth,, Torrisholme, Whittington, Hornby, Halton, Skerton and much of Lancaster were razed. Over Kellet seems to have escaped, but not The Grange at Birklandbarrow. It was something of a model farm owned and run by Cockersand Abbey, for the benefit of the farming community. It was destroyed by Bruce.

How did the Government respond to all this? Not at all. Local towns were left to their own devices. Some villages, with a resident lord of the manor, built a Piel-tower – Borwick for instance. Over Kellet went a different route, blessed by having a Green larger than most, with a spring and a stream then a above the surface, farm animals were catered for. The Green was enclosed by at least eighteen houses plus outbuildings. Gaps would be filled by a crude stockade. Gateways on the four roads would be barred through the night. We do not know the name of two of the gates. Moorgate was at the bottom Cockle Hill, but only Goosegate has a precise location. {I have a photo copy of John Dickinson’s death at ‘Goesgate’ 30<sup>th</sup> Jan. 1742-43, p. 58 of the Parish Register. Goosegate or Well House is listed in ‘William Farrer on Old Over Kellet Houses’ ed. R.D.Escolme.}

#### **Thoughts on the wording of the plaque:-**

This is the site of a gateway in the fourteenth century. With similar gates on the three other exits from The Green, a sanctuary against the depredations of Border Rievers and other would-be thieves in the desperately hard times that followed the onset of the Little Ice Age, was provided



**Agenda Item: 7**  
**Planning Application Comments & Decisions**  
**Update for October/November 2018**

<b>Application Number / Description</b>	<b>Parish Council Comment</b>	<b>Planning Authority Decision / Status</b>
<b>18/00529/OUT</b> - Outline application for up to 43 dwellings (C3) with associated access, land opposite Craggs Hill, Kirkby Lonsdale Road, Over Kellet.	Objection lodged 13/06/18 Comments also made on Pedestrian Access Plan and Odour Assessment	<b>Application Withdrawn</b>
<b>18/00893/FUL</b> - Regrading of land with new retaining wall, creation of an area of hardstanding, a new access and a dropped kerb, 1 Longtons Cottages, Kirkby Lonsdale Road.	Comments submitted on public safety aspects	<b>Application Withdrawn</b>
<b>18/00947/FUL</b> - Erection of a detached hall building. Wilsons Endowed CE School, School Lane.	Comments submitted in support of the School, but expressing concerns over the potential impact of the development on traffic around the area, particularly if any future expansion of the School occurred	<b>Decided - Permitted</b>
<b>18/00983/FUL</b> - Erection of caravan reception/office building with warden accommodation with associated car parking. Old Hall Caravan Park, Capernwray Road, Capernwray.	No comments submitted	<b>Awaiting Decision</b>
<b>18/01006/FUL</b> - Changing of land levels, erection of an agricultural building with slurry store below and a bulk feed bin. Hoggetts Lane Farm, Kirkby Lonsdale Road, Over Kellet.	No comments submitted	<b>Decided - Permitted</b>
<b>18/01148/FUL</b> - Erection of porch to front elevation. Court House, Nether Kellet Road, Over Kellet.	No comments submitted	<b>Decided - Permitted</b>
<b>18/01207/FUL</b> - Full application for the erection of 2 detached dwellings with associated regrading of land, access, landscaping and construction of a new retaining wall and footpath. Development Land - Plot 1 And 2 Kirkby Lonsdale Road.	Consultation response submitted commenting on the need to protect the public right of way.	<b>Awaiting Decision</b>

Application Number / Description	Parish Council Comment	Planning Authority Decision / Status
<p><b>18/01257/FUL</b> - Retrospective application for the retention of a stable and associated riding paddock and fencing. Clear Water Bistro And Bar, Clear Water Fisheries, Kellet Lane, Over Kellet.</p>	<p>No comments submitted</p>	<p><b>Awaiting Decision</b></p>