

PARISH OF OVER KELLET
Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at the
Over Kellet Village Hall on Tuesday 13th November 2018 at 7.15pm.

Present: Councillor Mr N Ward - Chair
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 Councillors Mrs R Lauder and Mr G Agnew and County Councillor Mrs P Williamson

2 MINUTES:

It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the meeting held on **Tuesday 9th October 2018** be approved and signed.

Matters Arising:

Min 2 (2(4(1))) Painting of kissing gates. The Clerk has made contact with the relevant officer at Sodexo, who has requested a site visit to scope and timetable the work. **ACTION:** The Clerk to make suitable arrangements.

Min 2 (2(2 (12))) Parish Plan. The Chair reported that a draft Parish Plan had been agreed at a meeting of the Working Group on 15th October 2018. Following a period of consultation with residents, which had produced favourable feedback on the draft document, the Parish Plan had been submitted for printing, ready for delivery with the December issue of OK View.

Min 2 (2(4(8))) Panorama Sign for Bay Croft. No further update.

Min 2 (8) Remembrance Sunday. The Chair reported that the Remembrance Service had been very successfully held on the Village Green, despite damp weather conditions. Over 200 people had attended and a total of £284 had been raised for Help For Heroes and the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.

Min 4 (11) Daffodil bulbs for the Village Green. The Chair reported that the anonymously donated daffodil bulbs had now been planted and thanked Councillor May and his family for carrying out the planting.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

No declarations were made.

4 ADJOURNMENT FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION & INFORMATION ONLY UPDATES:

REPORTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:

No matters were raised.

CLERK'S REPORT:

- (1) **Bulging roadside wall, Nether Kellet Road.** County Highways had inspected the wall, adjacent to the Eagle's Head public house and reported that intervention was not required at this time, but they would continue to monitor the condition of the wall.

- (2) **Bulging roadside wall, Kirkby Lonsdale Road.** County Highways had reported that they had sent letters to the owner of the retaining wall adjacent to 1 Longton Cottages on Kirkby Lonsdale Road. The Highways Inspection team will continue to monitor the wall's condition. Additionally, this is part of the new development and Developer Support have refused the crossing to the new drive.
- (3) **Kellet Road Hedgerow.** A request had been lodged for County Highways to address the overgrown hedges and verges along the footpath to Carnforth. The County's online records were showing that the work had been completed, although there had been no discernible work on the hedgerow. **ACTION:** The Clerk to pursue this with Highways and clarify the situation.
- (4) **Road Watch.** A further resident had put her name forward as a potential volunteer, making three in total. The Community PCSO was planning to meet soon with potential volunteers from Over Kellet and Warton to explain and demonstrate the role.
- (5) **Lune Valley Rural Housing Association.** In response to a request from Lune Valley Rural Housing Association for parish councillors to put themselves forward as potential members of the Association's Board, and in the absence of any volunteers to do this, Councillor Ward agreed to have his name submitted.
- (6) **Fly-tipping.** A complaint had been received from a resident about spoil from roadworks on Kellet Road on Saturday 10th November having been dumped on the pavement adjacent to their property. The Clerk had reported this as a fly-tipping incident to the City Council.
- (7) **Lune Valley Flood Forum.** An email had been received from the Flood Forum asking for support in their application to the Aviva Community Fund, by an online ballot open to individuals. The deadline for casting votes in favour of this, or other schemes was 20th November.
- (8) **Village Christmas Tree.** A formal request had been sent to Aggregate Industries for the provision of a tree for the village. Arrangements are under way for delivery of the tree by Saturday morning, 8th December, and volunteers are requested to assist with erecting the tree at 10.00am. All residents are invited to the switch-on, followed by carol singing, scheduled for 4.00pm that day.
- (9) **St Cuthbert's Church Grounds Maintenance.** The Clerk advised that a regular annual contribution to the Parochial Church Council had not yet been made. A proposed payment of £540, the same as in recent years was proposed and included in the list of payments at agenda item 8. **AGREED:** That the payment to the PCC should be made as in previous years.

MEMBERS' REPORTS:

- (10) **LALC.** Nothing to report
- (11) **Quarries:** The Chair introduced his report on the two recent bi-annual meetings with Leaper's Wood/Dunald Mill (Tarmac) and Back Lane (Aggregate Industries) quarries. Tarmac had advised that new working practices and monitoring arrangements were being introduced to reduce the effects of blasting being experienced by residents. Also, the office buildings were to be moved before Christmas which meant that the existing lighting towers could be dismantled. Three complaints had been lodged since March 2018, two of these being about dust during the summer heatwave. Two similar complaints had been received by the Back Lane quarry.

It was noted that, within the next twenty years the two quarries will be the only source of limestone in the North West as the planning consent for existing quarries within the national park or AONBs will not be renewed. The next bi-annual liaison meetings are scheduled for 12th March 2019. **ACTION:** The Chair to provide a brief report for inclusion in the December issue of OK View.

- (12) **Village Hall.** Councillor May reported that the Village Hall Committee had considered the Touring Cinema service being promoted by Carnforth Town Council and was not proposing to pursue the scheme. **ACTION:** The Clerk to consult Carnforth's Town Clerk to ask whether OK residents would be welcome at future showings in Carnforth and whether he might wish to advertise the service in OK View.
- (13) **B4RN:** The Chair reported that some delay had occurred due to two landowners having refused permission to install cabling on their land. It was hoped that installation to the lower end of the village, east of the Village Green could be completed by Christmas. Coverage was now in the region of 70% of the village and feedback from users was positive.
- (14) **Lengthsman:** The Clerk advised that queries regarding the recently drafted contract with the Lengthsman had been resolved and, pending signing by the Lengthsman, the contract was now in place.

CITY AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS' REPORTS:

- (15) **Canal Corridor North, Lancaster.** Councillor Mace advised that the City Council's former 'Canal Corridor North' development in Lancaster had now been abandoned, British Land having disposed of their property holdings in the area to an unknown third party. A new scheme, known as the 'Canal Quarter', was being considered, for which the City Council would need co-operation from the new third party. A public consultation on the new proposition was being planned.

5 A PLAQUE FOR GOOSEGATE?

Councillor May introduced a report submitted to the Council by parishioner Mr Bob Escolme. Mr Escolme was invited to present his report and proposals to the meeting. These set out the historic establishment, in the 14th century of village defences against attack by Scottish 'Border Rievers', among others. The proposal was to commission and install a plaque on a wall at Goosegate (Well House) to commemorate the village's success in defending its inhabitants and property against these threats.

The Parish Council thanked Mr Escolme for his very interesting and informative report and proposal.

Practicalities regarding the proposal were discussed, including issues of property ownership and conditions relating to the location being within a conservation area.

RESOLVED: That the proposal be accepted in principle, subject to successful resolution of ownership and conservation area considerations.

ACTION: Councillor May to draft a letter on the proposal to the City Council Conservation Team. Councillor Atkins to investigate ownership of the wall adjacent to the well where the plaque might be installed.

6 NEW PLANNING CONSULTATIONS:

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

Application No:	Description
18/01342/CU	<p>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.</p> <p>Consultation deadline 16th November 2018.</p> <p>RESOLVED: That a response be submitted expressing opposition to the application on the grounds that it represents an expansion into a new area of currently agricultural land. The council's view is that the limit has been reached on the number of temporary accommodation spaces sustainable in the Parish. Furthermore, the proposed site is in full view from public roads, thereby presenting a detriment to the visual amenity of the area.</p>
18/01429/FUL	<p>Erection of a two storey side extension to form a store at lower ground level, with garage at ground floor level, erection of a single storey front extension, installation of external staircase and decking to the rear, construction of a first floor balcony to the rear. Westerdale, Moor Close Lane, Over Kellet</p> <p>Consultation letter received 8th November 2018. Consultation deadline 30th November 2018.</p>
18/00954/EIR	<p>Screening opinion for the creation of a free-range poultry farm. Addington Lodge, Addington Road, Nether Kellet.</p> <p>This application was referred to the meeting by Councillor May.</p> <p>The screening opinion requested (dated 19th July 2018) was for confirmation that an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) would not be necessary in relation to a planning application being prepared for a Free Range Poultry Farm housing 27,800 birds.</p> <p>The Parish Council's view is that, whilst the proposed development lies within the Nether Kellet Parish boundary, it is sufficiently close to have an impact on residents in the hamlet of Swarthdale within the Over Kellet Parish and on watercourses that ultimately discharge into the river Keer. The Parish Council is concerned about potential odour, noise and drainage impacts from the proposed development.</p> <p>RESOLVED: That a letter be submitted to the City Council expressing an opinion that this should be regarded as an EIA development and an ES should be required prior to any planning application being considered. Also that the Council be requested to inform the Parish Council of all developments on the site.</p>
<p>7 PLANNING APPLICATION DECISIONS UPDATE:</p> <p>The Clerk presented an update on planning decisions, which was noted.</p>	

8 PAYMENT OF 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

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, 11th December 2018 commencing at 7.15pm at the Over Kellet Village Hall. Following tradition, seasonal refreshments will be served after the meeting.

The meeting closed at 8:25pm

Derek Whiteway

Clerk of the Council

Nicholas Ward

Chair

Date: 11th December 2018