BROMFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Virtual Parish Council Meeting held on Zoom on Thursday the 24th of Sept 2020 at 7.30pm.

Councillors Present: M Underwood, I Brough, J Lee, J Brough, P Batch, R Davison, G Fellows, & W Miller.

Also Present: E Clark (Clerk) & Cllr Johnson (Borough Councillor).

368/20 Chairman's announcements

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

369/20 Apologies

Apologies were received & accepted from CllrsHolland-Reid & Jeffries

370/20 Declarations of interest on the agenda

No declarations of interest were received.

371/20 Requests for Dispensations

No requests for dispensations were received.

372/20 Minutes

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on the 30th of July 2020 be signed by the Chairman as a true record.

373/20 Adjournment of the meeting

The clerk advised that a parishioner had contacted her to complain about pot holes, dirty roads & non-existent road markings in Langrigg. He also stated that a farm gate on the right hand side of the road had been moved without planning permission. It was discussed and agreed that the gate was still in the same place but had been moved back to where it had previously been therefore no planning permission was required.

The recycling bins in Bromfield which were sited at the pub have now been removed by Allerdale as they are not for commercial use; an alternative site is now required.

374/20 Reports

- Cllr Lister (Cumbria County Councillor)- no report received.
- Cllr Johnson (Allerdale Borough Councillor) reported that Allerdale had decided to postpone the impostion of energy costs on the parish's. The removal of the lights would affect the rural areas more than anywhere.
- No report received from Cumbria Constabulary.
- Village Hall the village hall's accounts were circulated by email. The
 committee thanked the council for their donation of £2100.00 and advised
 that they had had a positive start to the 2019/20 year with some successful
 events but Covid had now provided them with some significant challenges as it
 has for everyone.

375/20 Payment & Receipts

Payments of the following accounts were considered & authorised:

Clerk's Salary	£164.82
Clerk's Expenses (postage & Zoom etc)	£ 19.62
HM Revenue & Customs (PAYE)	£ 41.20
Mr T G Moore (Restoration of Finger Posts)	£1530.00

376/20 Financial Statements

The current balance of the council's bank account & bank reconciliation as at the 31st of August 2020 was approved & accepted.

377/20 Planning Matters

A devolved decision of 'No Objection' by the clerk after consultation with the Chairman & Councillors on the following planning applications was noted;

Ref No: FUL/2020/0155 – Change of use from agriculture (redundant outbuilding) to Sui Generis Beauty salon – 1 no single room space only using existing parking on site – Beech House, Blencogo – Miss Sarah Peile.

Ref No: FUL/2020/0154 – Extend silage pit by 5m – Beck Farm, Wheyrigg – Mr B Harrison.

The council agreed that their objection & comments still stood following an update from planning on the following application;

Ref No: FUL/2020/0153 – Partial demolition & change of use of barn to dwelling – Blencogo Farm.

378/20 Correspondence

The following correspondence received were noted;

CALC - Newsletter

CALC - AGM Info

CALC - Developing Your Skills Programme

Cumbria County Council – Approve Proposal for Local Government Reform

Cumbria County Council – The Great British Septmber Clean

Allerdale Borough Council – Adoption of Allerdale Local Plan (Part 2)

St Mungo's Church – Thanks for the Donation

A Hopcroft – Langrigg Biomass Letter – *reply forwarded from the council* Citizens Advice Allerdale – Thanks for the Donation

Aspatria & District First Responders – a letter advised that the group would shortly be closing but they would like to purchase & donate a defibrillator to the Langrigg area. The installation, maintenance & running costs (which are minimal) would have to be dealt with by the parish – the council unanimously agreed to accept the offer.

379/20 Highway Matters

The following highway issues were noted; potholes throughout Langrigg, particularly opposite Forge House & Beech House CA7 3LL. Road markings in Langrigg are non-existent. 3 or 4 large potholes at Whinbank Farm CA7 9LF, Langrigg Bank heading towards Scales (after crossroads) a drain cover is broken. Langrigg Bank there is a gully running over. From High Aketon (CA70BP) to Crookdake Hall (CA70BP) water runs down the road due to the drains sitting too high and being on the wrong side of the road.

380/20 Langrigg Biomass Boiler

An email from Caroline Fearon of Allerdale Planning advised that further information from the applicants noise consultants on the data included within the report had been requested. Whilst this has been provided it does not clear up the areas they were requesting further information on and so they do not consider at this stage that they have sufficient information to make a clear recommendation on the application. She advised that further noise reading needs to be carried out on site by the consultants however this time in the presence of Environmental Health officers. There was no timescale to date of when this would be carried out but she stated that she would endeavour to keep the parish council posted.

381/20 Footway Lighting

Update received from Cllr Johnson 374/20

382/20 Signposts in the Parish

Mr Moore (signpost restorer) advised that when the council decide next year to restore the other two fingerposts he could supply a collar free of charge to help to reduce costs. The council agreed that the two fingerposts be restored as soon as possible.

A quote for £403.00 plus vat was received from Signpost Restoration Limited for the refurbishment of the Blencogo directional signpost on the Green – clerk to contact highways to ask if they would consider repairing it.

383/20 Hedgerows

It was noted that the hedge that was removed at the new Latimer bungalow is shortly going to be replanted.

384/20 Items of inclusion on the next agenda

Noticeboards

Trees

385/20 Date and time of next meeting

It was noted that the next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Thursday the 26th of November 2020 starting at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending & closed the meeting at 8.10pm.