

BROMFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Virtual Parish Council Meeting held on Zoom on Thursday the 26th of Nov 2020 at 7.30pm.

Councillors Present: M Underwood, I Brough, J Lee, P Batch, R Davison, G Fellows, W Miller, D Jeffries & S Holland-Reid.

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

386/20 Chairman's announcements

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

387/20 Apologies

Apologies were received & accepted from Cllr Lister (Cumbria County Councillor)

388/20 Declarations of interest on the agenda

No declarations of interest were received.

389/20 Requests for Dispensations

No requests for dispensations were received.

390/20 Minutes

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on the 24th of September 2020 be signed by the Chairman as a true record.

391/20 Adjournment of the meeting

No members of the public present.

392/20 Reports

- Cllr Lister (Cumbria County Councillor)- no report received
- Cllr Johnson (Allerdale Borough Councillor) – not present at this point of the meeting.
- Cumbria Constabulary – no reported crime for the parish.
- Village Hall – no report received.

393/20 Payment & Receipts

Payments of the following accounts were considered & authorised:

Clerk's Salary	£164.82
Clerk's Expenses (postage & Zoom etc)	£ 13.63
HM Revenue & Customs (PAYE)	£ 41.20
Ministry of Doing (Web Hosting)	£ 70.00

The following receipts received were noted;

Allerdale Borough Council (Precept)	£3000.00
Crookdake Land Rent	£ 5.00
Heathfield Land (Rent)	£ 10.00

394/20 Financial Statements

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

395/20 Planning Matters

A devolved decision of 'No Objection' by the clerk after consultation with the Chairman & Councillors on the following planning application was noted;
Ref No: HOU/2020/0153 – Erection of a detached garage (resubmission of HOU/2020/0033) – Mission House, Langrigg – Ian Bleasdale.

The following planning applications were considered with no objection;
Ref No: LBC/2020/0040 – Listed building consent for the replacement of external door (retrospective) – The Windmill, Langrigg – Thomas Carter.

Ref No: FUL/2020/0235 – Change of use from residential care home to dwelling – Low Fauld Residential Care Home, Langrigg – Mr & Mrs A & V Bone.

There was no objection to the following planning application which was received after the issue of the agenda;
Ref No: LBC/2020/0019 – Listed building consent for the partial demolition and change of use of barn to dwelling – Blencogo Farm – Mr & Mrs D Ridley.

The following grants of planning permission were noted;
Ref No: FUL/2020/0153 – Partial demolition & change of use of barn to dwelling – Blencogo Farm.

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.

396/20 Correspondence

The following correspondence received were noted;
CALC – Sept/Oct Newsletter
CALC – Virtual Training Courses
Better Future for Cumbria - Local Government Reform in Cumbria Consultation
Allerdale Borough Council – Review of Statement of Licensing Policy
Allerdale Borough Council – Dog Fouling PSPO Response

397/20 Highway Matters

The following highway issues were noted; Langrigg Bank crossroads, left heading towards Gillmoor Brow the metal grid on the gully is missing (cone covering it). 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. Outside Blencogo Farm Cottages the road is breaking away.

CLLr Johnson joined the meeting and reported on the following; Covid is still with us and we are now in tier 2. Questions have been asked as why we went into lockdown in tier 1 and came out in tier 2 – no answer received. It has also been asked what we have to do to get back into tier 1 – again no answer received. We will now be in tier 2 until mid December. Carlisle & Barrow infection rates are still high and shouldn't be grouped with other areas in Cumbria that are all lower and there is a significant distance between them. The local government restructure was currently ongoing; the County Council are requesting a single unitary authority and Allerdale Borough are requesting two unitary councils with an elected mayor. If successful the benefits would be improved services, greater efficiency and cost

savings. Additional funding is available with an elected mayor. Currently, budgets are always looking to be cut, when its investment in services that are required so Cumbria is not left behind.

398/20 Langrigg Biomass Boiler

Monitoring commenced on site yesterday and will continue for the next few days. The factory had been loud today. Planning were asked why the factory was operating at night when the application clearly stated that it would not operate at night – no reply received. It was noted that this had now been discussed by the parish council for 3 years! A letter from Mark Jenkinson MP stated that he had written to Allerdale Borough Council to seek assurances that the concerns of residents will be addressed through the planning process. He had also asked for an update on the progress of any planned enforcement action and a timeframe for any monitoring surveys due to be undertaken at the site. The parish council agreed to hold a meeting with Mr Jenkinson once the monitoring report had been received. Cllr Johnson advised that tomorrow he would pick up on all the points discussed with the planning department. The Bromfield road was a mess due to wagons chewing up the road side.

399/20 Defibrillator

The defibrillator donated by Aspatria & District First Responders is now ready for collection. Cllr Brough to collect (clerk to arrange). Options of where in Langrigg to house the defibrillator was discussed, electricity supply etc to be considered.

400/20 Signposts in the Parish

Mr Moore (signpost restorer) advised that he would continue refurbishing the remaining signposts in March/April 2021. Highways department advised that they would arrange for the damaged directional sign on The Green to be replaced this financial year.

401/20 Precept

It was agreed that the precept for the year 1 April 2020 – 31 March 2021 be kept as 2019/20 which was £6000.00.

402/20 Parish Noticeboards

It was advised that the noticeboard at Crookdake required replacing/refurbishing. Cllr Miller to circulate photos of the board for a decision to be made on whether to replace or refurbish it.

403/20 Trees

The council's application for the tree pack (30 saplings Small Copse) from the Woodland Trust has been successful and the trees were to be delivery to Cllr Lee in March 2021.

404/20 Items of inclusion on the next agenda

Noticeboards
Defibrillator
Langrigg Biomass Boiler

405/20 Date and time of next meeting

It was noted that the next virtual meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Thursday the 28th of January 2020 starting at 7.30pm on Zoom.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending & closed the meeting at 8.24pm.

