

NATLAND PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Council Meeting
Held in Natland Village Hall
At 7pm on Monday 25th November 2019

19/150 Present:

Cllr David Peters in the Chair, Cllrs Clark, Houghton, Rhian Peters and Roberts, and the Clerk Mr K M Price. Apologies for absence were accepted from Cllr White.

19/151 Public participation: None.

19/152 Declarations of Interest:

There were no Declarations of Interest in respect of any matters on the agenda.

19/153 SLDC and CCC Report from the elected representatives: None.

19/154 Police Report:

The Clerk read the report from PCSO Martin Boak. Within the area the parish falls, during the last month there had been 72 incidents reported, resulting in 10 crimes being submitted. None of these had been in Natland. A worrying feature was the number of thefts of quad bikes from nearby parishes.

19/155 Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting of 21st October 2019 were agreed and signed by the Chair.

19/156 Matters arising: None.

19/157 Grasscutting 2020-21:

£100 plus VAT per cut for a three-year contract had been quoted by Continental Landscapes and the Council resolved to accept this.

19/158 Bus service 552 Arnside to Kendal via Hincaster:

This issue has been resolved, but the service will now run only on Monday, Wednesday and Friday each week. It was resolved to thank Mark Hodgkiss at CCC for his work in making these arrangements and ensuring the continuance of the service.

19/159 Towpath Trail:

The Council considered the correspondence from LCRP (minutes 19/128 and 19/142b refer) and resolved to respond to Richard Frank as follows:

- a. Although there is no community consultation planned as yet, the Council asks that it will be consulted in due course, as well as Natland residents, especially those living at The Beeches.
- b. The Council does not accept the client confidentiality arguments. The Council queries the reasoning behind this answer, which is not acceptable. Can this be clarified?
- c. The draft minutes of LCRP are not 'being provided'. The minutes of the meeting of 7th October are not yet available, for example.

The Chair said that the canal path in the vicinity of Stainton is about to be resurfaced and there is no alternative route for pedestrians while sections are closed.

19/160 Accessibility Regulations:

The Clerk informed the Council that the new Accessibility Regulations would become applicable to the website in September 2020. This is in relation to making Council websites accessible for users with disabilities etc. He is meeting A2A (this firm has set up a number of Council websites locally) in Milnthorpe shortly and will report back to the next meeting. The likely cost is unknown at this stage.

19/161 Reports:

- a. **Highwayman:** Cllr David Peters said he had looked around the village and reported a number of faded 'give way' markings.
- b. **Footpaths:** None.

19/162 Planning:

- a. The following applications were considered:

SL/2019/0872 8 Park Close, Natland. Removal of outbuildings and erection of detached garage, single storey rear extension, two storey side extension and pitched roof front porch extension. Approval recommended,

SL/2019/0870 11 Rochester Gardens, Oxenholme. Single storey side extension and parking alterations. No objections.

- b. The following decisions, notified to the Council by the Planning Authority, were noted:

SL/2019/0786 Courtyard Cottage, Natland. Removal of conditions 3,4,5 & 6 (all connected with holiday accommodation) attached to planning permission SL/2005/0547 (Conversion of outbuildings to holiday accommodation).
Granted.

SL/2019/0752 OS Field 6010 south of Fell Close, Oxenholme. Discharge of conditions 3 (construction, service and delivery traffic plan), 5 (visibility splays), 6 & 7 (scheme for design, construction and drainage), 8 (tree protection), 9 (retaining walls), 10 (drainage), 13 (landscaping), 15 (mitigation strategy), 16 (materials), 18 (sewage), 19 (boundary treatment) and 20 (lighting) attached to planning application SL/2017/0620. Granted.

19/163 Finance:

- a. It was resolved to pay the following accounts:

Natland & Oxenholme Village Hall	£30.78	Hire of hall
Continental Landscapes	£648.00	Grasscutting

- b. The monthly cash and budget statements were noted.
- c. The Bank Reconciliation statement was signed by Cllr Houghton.
- d. It was resolved to contribute £100 each to the Great North Air Ambulance and South Lakes Citizens Advice. Other charitable contributions will be an agenda item for the next meeting.

19/164 Correspondence (including emails and phone calls):

Voting is now open for NALC's Smaller Councils Committee's direct election. All smaller councils with an electorate under 6,000 are encouraged to vote for the three candidates (Councillor or Clerk) they would like to join the committee and represent the interests of smaller councils nationally. It was resolved that the Clerk will vote for Stephen Rickitt on behalf of the Council.

19/165 Open Forum: None.

19/166 Dates for 2020 meetings:

The following were agreed: (all at 7pm):

<i>Thursday 16th January</i>	<i>Precept Meeting</i>
<i>Monday 24th February</i>	
<i>Monday 30th March</i>	
<i>Monday 27th April</i>	
<i>Thursday 14th May</i>	<i>Annual Parish Meeting</i>
<i>Tuesday 26th May</i>	<i>Annual Parish Council Meeting</i>
<i>Monday 29th June</i>	
<i>Monday 27th July</i>	
<i>Monday 28th September</i>	
<i>Monday 26th October</i>	
<i>Monday 30th November</i>	

The meeting closed at 8.30pm

Signed:

Dated: