

NATLAND PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Council Meeting
Held in Natland Village Hall
At 7pm on Thursday 16th January 2020

20/1 Present:

Cllr David Peters in the Chair, Cllrs Clark, Houghton, Rhian Peters, Roberts, and White, District Councillor Douglas Rathbone and the Clerk Mr K M Price.

20/2 Public participation: None.

20/3 Declarations of Interest:

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

20/4 SLDC and CCC Report from the elected representatives: None.

20/5 Police Report:

The report from PCSO Martin Boak had been circulated. There had been 66 incidents reported in the wider area but only six crimes being recorded. Of these only one was in Natland.

20/6 Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting of 25th November 2019 were agreed and signed by the Chair.

20/7 Matters arising:

Bus service 552 Arnside to Kendal via Hincaster (minute 19/158 refers). This service has now been extended to go via Morrisons and allows an hour longer in town before the return journey.

20/8 Towpath Trail:

No response had been received yet from Richard Frank (minute 19/159 refers) but Cllr Rathbone confirmed he had received a copy of the Council's letter. It was resolved to leave the matter there, assuming that the Council will receive full details when available. It was noted that the LCRP website has been changed and the latest minutes have been shared with Councillors. The Clerk will notify Richard Frank of the date of the Annual Parish Meeting as it may be a subject for discussion and appropriate for a representative to attend.

20/9 Accessibility Regulations:

The Clerk expects to meet A2A in Milnthorpe later this month to discuss the way forward, as regards the Accessibility Regulations. This will be an agenda item at the next meeting.

20/10 Annual Report 2019-20:

The timetable was agreed as proposed, which follows the same plan as previous years.

20/11 Natland Spring Litter Hunt 2020:

The date for the Spring Litter Hunt will be Saturday 28th March and the arrangements were agreed as proposed.

20/12 Natland Village Green:

Encroachment on the Village Green by buses was reported. This is also an issue at The Beeches (approaching the junction with Natland Road, exiting from The Beeches on to Natland Road, on the right hand bend before the junction). The Clerk will contact the bus company and copy Peter Barfoot at St Mark's School in to this. As there is also damage by cars to the part of The Green by the litter bin, it was also agreed to ask CCC Highways to consider carrying out remedial work to the kerbing there, where some of this has sunk and requires renewal and the correct stone face.

20/13 Reports:

a. Highwayman: Cllr David Peters reported as follows:

- i. A pothole on Oxenholme Lane was reported and has been repaired.
- ii. A blocked gulley on Sedgwick Road was reported and it is believed this has now been cleared.
- iii. There has been two significant roads closures in recent weeks; one on Sedgwick Road for tree removal and one on Helm Lane to enable work to the railway bridge to be carried out.
- iv. Dog fouling has become a problem on Helm Lane and other areas, after many relatively trouble-free years. The Chair has obtained signs from SLDC and these will be displayed at appropriate places. There will be publicity on the website and Cllr Rathbone will ask SLDC if any metal signs can also be provided. This will be an agenda item for the next meeting.

b. Footpaths: Cllr Rhian Peters has reported a very badly damaged kissing gate, which is now not stock proof, on the footpath between Long Meadow Lane and the A65 at Burton Road, She has reported this to David Gibson at CCC, who will notify Network Rail..

20/14 Planning:

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

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. Granted.

SL/2019/0870 11 Rochester Gardens, Oxenholme. Single storey side extension and parking alterations. Granted.

- b. The following comments, submitted since the last meeting, by the Clerk, on his delegated authority, were noted:

SL/2019/0945 38 Long Meadow Lane, Natland. Single storey rear extension. Approval recommended,

SL/2019/0928 Cherry Trees, Natland. Conversion of garage including a dormer window on the rear elevation to form annexed accommodation. Approval recommended, with conditions preventing its use as a separate dwelling.

SL/2019/0922 High Wells, Natland. Conversion of stable into single dwelling, including new package treatment plant, foul water system & ancillary works. Approval recommended.

20/15 Finance:

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

HMRC	£205.40	PAYE (noted)
K M Price	£96.05	Quarterly expenses to 31st December, including use of home office and travel
Kendal Mountain Rescue Team		
	£100.00	Donation
North West Air Ambulance		
	£100.00	Donation
St Mark's Natland PCC		
	£500.00	Contribution towards grasscutting.

- b. The monthly cash and budget statements were noted.
- c. The Clerk's Quarterly expenses summary was approved.
- d. The Bank Reconciliation statement was signed by Cllr Houghton.
- e. The Budget Report was considered and it was resolved that this Council makes a Precept upon South Lakeland District Council in the sum of £10,000 for the financial year 2020-21.

20/16 Correspondence (including emails and phone calls):

- a. SLDC. Updating the Local Plan. An invitation is extended to all Parish Councillors to attend a briefing in Kendal Town Hall on 30th January from 6.30pm. The Clerk will circulate details.
- b. Wayne Singleton, The Jogging Pals Team, working with local partners in Kendal to re-introduce what were the Atkinson Fun Runs to Kendal. The proposed dates were given. The Council has no objections to these events, and the only concern would be road safety and that Police have been notified. The Clerk will request a poster for display.

20/17 Open Forum: None.

20/18 Date of the next meeting:

Monday 24th February 2020 at 7pm at Natland Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 9pm.

Signed:

Dated: