

KIRKOSWALD PARISH COUNCIL

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Ordinary meeting of Kirkoswald Parish Council held at 7.30pm on Tuesday 11th February, 2014 in Kirkoswald Church Institute.

PUBLIC OPEN MEETING (15 Mins): Members of the public can address the Council on any issues that they wish to draw to their attention. Afterwards, they cannot interject in the meeting.

- Mr N Vear (Chair of Ainstable Parish Council)- Mr Vear spoke to councillors. He reported that Ainstable Parish Council had received notification that a planning application for a wind turbine is to be submitted to Eden District Council shortly. He said that it is likely to be a 500kW turbine with 50-60m tower plus 50-60m blades- to give some idea of scale Mr Vear said that this would be taller than Dixon's Chimney and twice the height of the telephone mast in Ainstable Parish. It was agreed that Mr Vear forward further details to Kirkoswald Parish as they become available.

Present:	Mrs P Bowman (Chair)	Mrs I Henderson	Mr N Jackson	Mr J Haugh
	Mr J R Raine	Mr R Cranston	Mr R W Raine	Mrs J Tea
	Mr J Little	Mrs K Raine (Vice Chair)		Mr B Smythe
	Mrs R Lytollis (Clerk)			

MINUTES

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

1. **To receive any declarations of interest**- Mrs P Bowman (Planning- public section of the meeting)
2. **To receive any apologies**- Mr G Brown & County & District Cllr Robinson
3. **Minutes**- It was resolved to authorise the Chairman to sign the minutes of the ordinary meeting held on Tuesday 10th December, 2013 as a true record (proposed by Mrs J Tea, seconded by Mr J R Raine, unanimous vote).
4. **To discuss any matters arising from minutes of the last meeting**- It was resolved to send a letter to the parishioner regarding the issue of the static caravan in Parkhead (proposed by Mrs J Tea, seconded by Mr R W Raine, unanimous vote).
5. **To discuss the election of a new Parish Councillor**- The Clerk reported that she had spoken to Eden District Council to notify them that Mrs W Smith was no longer on the Council.
6. **To receive any updates on the Community Led Plan and councillor led areas**
 - Footpath towards Eden Bridge- The Chair reported that it had not been possible to find a convenient date for a meeting in January. It was agreed to re-arrange it in March.

7. **To receive a report from County & District Cllr Robinson-** None

8. **To consider any Police issues arising-** None

9. **To discuss repair work to the War Memorial and tenders received**

It was noticed that the advert for the War Memorial work hadn't appeared in the February copy of the Raven and it was agreed that the Clerk resend it to Nigel Harbron/ Peter Hinchcliffe.

10. **To discuss the Parish Field**

- Tenders received- It was resolved to accept the tender submitted by Mr L Brown (proposed by Mrs J Tea, seconded by Mr N Jackson, unanimous vote).
- Repair work to walls- Mr J Haugh reported that a small section of the wall near the house is looking a little rough and may need some remedial work. It was agreed to obtain a quote from Kenny Dixon (proposed by Mrs J Tea, seconded by Mr J R Raine, unanimous vote) and also place a tender advert for work in the Raven. Mr J Haugh volunteered to take people to the site.

11. **To discuss issues relating to Cumbria in Bloom**

The Chair reported that Kirkoswald are entering Cumbria In Bloom again this year.

As a result of the great success of Kirkoswald in last year's Cumbria In Bloom competition, the village has also been invited to take part in Britain In Bloom. The launch meeting was held last week. Mrs Bowman was unable to attend so Mrs I Henderson kindly chaired the meeting. Mrs I Henderson said that she had little to report and after beginning the meeting handed over to Mrs Sue Quinn.

It was noted that the criteria for this are quite different to those for Cumbria In Bloom and judging will take place in July 2014. The Chair read out a letter from Sue & Howard Quinn which gave a lot of information about a Britain In Bloom event which they had recently attended at which they were briefed about how it works. Mrs J Tea proposed that the Parish Council should fund the whole cost of the trip and Mrs I Henderson seconded this. Councillors were in unanimous agreement. Everyone expressed their thanks to Mr & Mrs Quinn for attending and for all their hard work to support the event.

12. **To receive an update on high speed broadband in the county**

Mr B Smythe reported:

- Cumbria County Council and BT (Connecting Cumbria programme)- Kirkoswald and High Bankhill cabinets will not be fibre enabled within the foreseeable future as there are not sufficient businesses to ensure that it fulfills the criteria. He said that funds are having to be managed according to strict rules.
- It was noted that cabinets in an industrial estate in Penrith and Kingstown have been funded by Connecting Cumbria, rather than through BT.
- Monitoring boxes are starting to produce results, showing a significant variation in speeds. Mr Smythe said that some properties are connected using aluminium cables and others, copper. Following tests, results seem to differ between 0.2meg and 6 meg. It was noted that even if a cabinet 'fibred up', this might effect the speed of delivery.
- Mr Smythe said that there was the possibility of a new repeater mast on Lazonby fell shortly. Lonsdale Network Services are looking at installing it. This would give a 30meg service to Kirkoswald. He said that there are however limitations with a wireless service and properties must be in line of sight and free from obstructions (including trees). It was reported that most properties in Renwick should also be able to get it due to repeater mast on Renwick church.
- Mains power will be install to the Hartside mast by 6th March.

- 4G signal- Cumbria County Council are working with a national service to expand the number of masts within Cumbria. This will mean in turn that there will be much more competition of suppliers available.

Councillors thanked Mr Smythe for all his hard work.

13. To receive the Highwayman’s Report and discuss matters related to Highway

Mr J R Raine reported that:

- Some potholes have been repaired but most are still underwater.
- The leaning light at the top of the hill in Kirkoswald will be taken to the next Cumbria County Council meeting to determine whether funding is available.
- Mud on the road at Longmore- Mr J R Raine suggested that Mrs P Bowman look at the problem.
- Drains coming down Potter Bank have been cleared.
- Light outside school- nothing is working- they are not flashing and they do not come on.

It was noted that there are some new potholes at the bottom of Back Lane and Mr J R Raine agreed to report them. Councillors also queried why there is currently water on the surface between Kirkoswald and Eden Bridge and wondered whether the drains are blocked in the area. Finally, councillors were concerned about parishioners walking in the village before dawn and after dusk as the level of street lighting made them difficult for drivers to see them. It was suggested that for their own safety parishioners should perhaps consider wearing ‘high-vis’ jackets.

14. To receive the Financial Report

The Clerk ensured that all councillors had received a copy of the monthly cashflow spreadsheet. It was suggested that the Clerk look into the possibility of being able to make interbank transfers for bill payments.

It was resolved to make the following payments (proposed by Mr J Little, seconded by Mrs K Raine, unanimous vote):

Clerk’s Salary & Expenses	£265.92	(Chq No: 100854)
Mr H & Mrs S Quinn (Britain in Bloom)	£ 98.42	(Chq No: 100855)

15. To consider any planning applications made and related matters- none

16. To receive decisions on planning applications made- none

17. To consider correspondence received

- The Chair read out all the correspondence received, including a letter from Mrs K Raine tendering her resignation as a parish councillor from May 2014. Councillors were all sorry to hear the news and thanked Mrs Raine for all her hard work.
- Parish Council website domain- It was suggested that Mrs I Henderson takes on web address ownership from Mr H Quinn, to ease administration/ payments etc. Everyone agreed that they were happy for Mrs I Henderson to take over (proposed by Mr R W Raine, seconded by Mr N Jackson).

18. To receive Councillors’ reports and items for future agendas

- Repair work to the War memorial
- Repair work to the Parish Field wall
- Trees on Longmoor road-in need of pruning back again. It was agreed that the Clerk report them to Highway Dept.

- The Clerk was asked to look into planning applications/ highways applications for the area around The Back Lane, Kirkoswald as a stretch of vehicular access appeared to be being constructed at a property.
- Election of new councillors
- Street light near noticeboard, Kirkoswald
- Victoria County History Group- Kirkoswald village

19. **Date of the next meeting**- 7.30pm on Tuesday 11th March, 2014 in Kirkoswald Church Institute

Signed: R. E. Lytollis

Clerk to Kirkoswald Parish Council

Date: 11/02/13

Meeting closed at 8.54pm