

**MINUTES OF A VIRTUAL ZOOM MEETING OF ARTHURET PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 11th  
JANUARY 2021 AT 7.00 p.m.**

<b><u>Present</u></b>	Cllrs Sir JFS Graham (Chair). G Routledge (Vice Chair) M Gunson C Adams, R Graham, L Mason, C Johanssen, K Johnstone City Cllrs. J Mallinson and D Shepherd.
<b><u>Apologies</u></b> <b><u>Minute No 654</u></b>	Apologies and reasons for absence were received from Cllrs M Gardner, P Illsley and County/ City Cllr. V Tarbitt.
<b><u>Declaration of Interest</u></b> <b><u>Minute No 655</u></b>	Cllr M Gunson as an allotment holder and member of the Allotment Committee.
<b><u>Minutes of November meeting</u></b> <b><u>Minute No 656</u></b>	The minutes of the virtual meeting held on the 2 <sup>nd</sup> November were agreed as a true record, to be signed by the chairman at the next face to face meeting.
<b><u>Members of the public</u></b> <b><u>Minute No 657</u></b>	<p>There were no members of the public in attendance at the meeting. The following concerns were raised through councillors.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fly tipping Crow Wood, Westlinton A7 lay by and the A7 Carlisle through to the A6071 Brampton Road.</li> <li>• Dog fouling around the town continues to be a big problem.</li> <li>• Cars driving over the grass at Raefield. Riverside Housing was aware and dealing with this.</li> </ul>
<b><u>County and City Cllrs report</u></b> <b><u>Minute No 658</u></b>	<p>City Cllr J Mallinson made the council aware the Community Centre Board of Trustees were considering removal of the recycling facility, the City Council were minded to take it away as more kerbside recycling is now available to residents. If it were to be removed an alternative site would not be explored. In place of this facility it was hoped to install electric car chargers at the site. Both amenities could not be provided at the Community Centre.</p> <p>Cllrs raised concerns this would lead to increased fly tipping around the parish, already a problem, as well as another asset in the town lost. It was suggested an alternative site could be found, this would be difficult unless the County Council were amenable to allowing this service on their land. Cllr Mallinson confirmed that the facility would not be removed before informing the parish council, acknowledging this could be a problem for the community.</p> <p>Cllr K Johnstone raised the possibility of CCTV cameras being placed to address the ongoing problems of the amenity being abused, and no commercial tipping notices posted on site, Cllr Mallinson confirmed this would not be funded by the City Council.</p> <p>It was agreed consideration needed to be given on how residents would be notified if the recycling facility was removed.</p>

	<p>City Cllr D Shepherd requested further information on the problem areas of fly tipping and offered his support in arranging for both fly tipping and dog fouling stickers that would be displayed around the town. This approach had worked well in Brampton.</p> <p>Cllr C Johannsen reported on the problems at Lochinvar Close with rubbish dumped and the clothing recycling facility at the Fire Station becoming overflowed. Clerk confirmed that Riverside Housing had been made aware of this issue and were addressing it.</p>
<p><b><u>Representatives on other bodies</u></b> <b><u>Minute No 659</u></b></p>	<p><b><u>Allotment Committee</u></b> Cllr. M Gunson reported</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It was proposed to amend the Tenancy agreement "that the new gated would be locked at dusk,"</li> <li>• A second amendment to read "if working on plot in the dark to ensure a 3<sup>rd</sup> party knows they are there" and "there at own risk" It was agreed the proposed amendments are circulated to all for comment and responses to the clerk, the annual rent letters were to go out at the end of January with this agreement.</li> <li>• Re Avian Flu outbreak, information to adhere to the restrictions was displayed on the notice boards</li> <li>• The rodent problem was being dealt with.</li> <li>• A letter had been set to tenants updating them of Covid restrictions.</li> <li>• The allotment committee requested a written account of the events in October at the site, councillors made no decision on this request. It was agreed this and other issues of concern raised by the Allotment Committee, would be discussed further at a face to face meeting once restrictions permitted.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>CAP Initiative</u></b> Cllr G Routledge gave a brief update that, following poor attendance at the recent virtual meeting, it had been decided no meetings would be held until face to face meetings were possible when restrictions were relaxed.</p> <p><b><u>Incredible Edible Project</u></b> The clerk gave an update on the Brampton and Longtown Rotary Club leaflet on Public Consultation on the development of "Incredible Edible community gardens in Longtown, particularly the Bobbin Mills gardens site. These were distributed to all residents living in the area of the Bobbin Mill. An update to be given at the next meeting.</p>
<p><b><u>External audit report</u></b> <b><u>Minute No 660</u></b></p>	<p>The External Auditors Report, for the year April 1<sup>st</sup> 2019 to March 31<sup>st</sup> 2020, was read out at the meeting, points raised were noted.</p>
<p><b><u>Memorial benches</u></b> <b><u>Minute No 661</u></b></p>	<p>The site for the 2 new Memorial benches in Longtown was considered and it was agreed the WW2 seat would be placed on the island at the</p>

	<p>entrance to Longtown near the War Memorial; the existing one would be relocated to Arthuret Road towards the church between the 2 existing ones.</p> <p>The WW1 seat to be placed at the corner of Swan Street, it was noted some of the cobbles were loose in this area and need reinstated.</p>
<p><b><u>Speed indication devices</u></b> <b><u>Minute No 662</u></b></p>	<p>Following on from the November council meeting the clerk had received confirmation from Cumbria County Council that the CRASH Team were now agreeable to a Speed Indication Sign being placed on the A7 at the entrance to Longtown. Once Connect Roads had met with the clerk, as requested by Highways officer, progress can be made.</p>
<p><b><u>Future meeting dates</u></b> <b><u>Minute No 663</u></b></p>	<p>Councillors considered the request from Cllr C Adams to hold a council meeting in December in future. It was agreed to hold one this year replacing the January meeting, this would be for a trial period.</p>
<p><b><u>Festive activities</u></b> <b><u>Minute No 664</u></b></p>	<p>The chairman thanked Cllrs G Routledge, M Gunson and C Adams for their help in arranging and installing the festive light displays around the town.</p> <p>The clerk reported that 141 Christmas hampers had been delivered to those residents over 70 years who put their names forward. David White had very kindly been "Santa" delivered the majority, and his help to the clerk was very much appreciated. A lot of positive feedback had been received.</p> <p>It was agreed to meeting in April/May to consider plans for Christmas lights 2021 and address any issues from 2020.</p>
<p><b><u>Police matters</u></b> <b><u>Minute No 665</u></b></p>	<p>No police were in attendance, the clerk reported the police had been made aware of ongoing problems of anti-social behaviour in Lochinvar Close.</p>
<p><b><u>Street lighting</u></b> <b><u>Minute No 666</u></b></p>	<p>The clerk confirmed that once a meeting was arranged, through Cumbria County Council Highways, with Connect Roads, work on replacing of the 4 street lighting columns on the A7 Carlisle Road would commence.</p>
<p><b><u>Grants</u></b> <b><u>Minute No 667</u></b></p>	<p>The clerk gave an update on projects outstanding and grants received.</p> <p><b>Speed Indication Devices</b> The funders, Cumbria Community Foundation, Beckburn Wind Farm, and Grantscape, Hallburn Wind Farm, were aware of the reason for the delay and the progress to date, it was hopeful this would be taken forward at the earliest date CCC and Connect Roads allowing.</p> <p><b>Play Provision The Square</b> Grantscape, Hallburn Wind Farm had suggested the parish council consider a phased development to provide play equipment and spend the grant allocated with a view to seeking further funding to complete the plans once restrictions are lifted. It was agreed this would be considered as an agenda item at the February council meeting.</p> <p>It was noted repairs to the climbing frame at the riverside remain</p>

		outstanding.
<b><u>Public Spaces Protection Order Minute No 668</u></b>		Copies of the City Council of Carlisle Public Spaces Protection Order (No 1) 2021 circulated to all prior to the meeting. The Order shall come into force on 22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2021 and remain in force until 21 <sup>st</sup> March 2024.
<b><u>Planning Minute No 669</u></b>		<p><b>Appn Ref 20/0752</b> Change of use of peel tower to holiday lets to include 1no. apartment on each floor together with internal and external alterations to include cap house to top of spiral stairs, lowering cills of attic dormer windows to create doors. Creating inset glass balustrades with handrail to create walkway to parapet. Netherby Hall Pele Tower Longtown. Supported mindful this is a Mid-15<sup>th</sup> century listed building and it will be interesting to read English Heritage comments.</p> <p><b>Appn Ref 20/0870</b> Erection of outbuilding comprising open storage, enclosed store and car port (part retrospective) The Chapel, Longtown. Supported, noted close proximity to neighbouring properties.</p> <p><b>Appn Ref 20/0839</b> Erection of storage building Unit 22 Sandysike Longtown. Supported.</p>
<b><u>Correspondence Minute No 670</u></b>		<p>All circulated to councillors prior to the meeting.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. CALC Information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update on Local Government Reorganisation in Cumbria.</li> <li>• Latest Covid 19 update.</li> <li>• Climate and Ecological Emergency Bill.</li> <li>• Standards Matter. Information on Local Government Reform work carried out by Cumbria County Council on Local Government Reorganisation.</li> <li>• Letter to all 3 tiers from the Minister for Local Government.</li> </ul> </li> <li>2. Cumbria Community Foundation newsletter.</li> <li>3. Code of Conduct reminder from City Council that councillors keep their information up to date.</li> <li>4. Through Cllr V Tarbitt, correspondence regarding anti-social behaviour received from the Police and Crime Commissioner.</li> <li>5. A thank you letter received from Great North Air Ambulance Service for supporting the charity with a £100 donation was read out at the meeting.</li> </ol>

**ACCOUNTS JANUARY 2021** The following payments were approved and authorised for payment.

Cheque	Rec	To whom paid	Amount
705090		R Highmore - Council Rooms cleaner	73.85
705091		K Johnson clerk salary	1,874.67
705092		HMRC Income Tax. N.I. and pension	697.96
705093	83	D Beattie Riverside cleaning, changing rooms and parks	440.00
705094	84	T Gardner reimburse allotment pest control	64.95
705095	85	One Com telephone, broadband, line rental	140.16

705096	86	Carrs Billington heating oil Council Rooms	188.74
705097	87	Heath hall Garden Centre Christmas trees	319.94
705098	88	M Gunson allotment requirements reimbursed	31.70