

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF ARTHURET PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY 14th NOVEMBER 2022 AT 7.00p.m.**

Present Cllrs Sir JFS Graham, G Routledge, M Gunson, R Graham
C Johannsen, L Mason, Rev. E Robinson
City Cllr J Mallinson

Apologies Apologies and reason for absence was received from Cllr
Minute No 346 C Adams and County Cllr T Pickstone

Declaration of Cllr M Gunson declared an interest as an allotment
interest holder and member of the Allotment Committee
Minute No 347

Minutes 3rd With the following noted the minutes of the meeting
October held on the 3rd October were agreed and signed by the
Minute No 348 chairman as a true record.

Minute No. 334 to amend the surname of the manager to Williamson.

Minute No. 335, Cllr M Gunson asked it be added that consideration was given to offering delivery of a Christmas lunch to those who were housebound.

To minute that the clerk was not in attendance at the meeting and minutes were taken by Cllr C Adams. Amendments to the draft submitted to the clerk were to amend date of meeting, minute reference numbers and accounts reference to receipt and cheque numbers authorised at this meeting.

Members of the
public
Minute No 349

The chairman welcomed 2 members of the public to the meeting who were invited to address the council when the following was raised.

- D Graham was working with young people and through youth sessions at the Community and engaging with them in the community was eager to see better youth provision and facilities in Longtown. A number of suggestions had been put forward including a MUGA, youth club, art, drama,

gymnastics. Speaking with different ages it was apparent they had varied needs; all wanted a safe place to go and support.

- DG circulated to councillors' information and costs for MUGA and other outdoor equipment including a canopy. He had also spoken with J Hendry, Cumbria County Council who had suggested they work together to pull other partners together.
- The S106 funding from Gleeson Development was confirmed and the area between Old Road and Lochinvar Close for outdoor gym, MUGA and it was agreed the council discuss at a future meeting the other suggestions put forward.
- Cllr G Routledge expressed the importance when siting the MUGA to ensure sufficient place is left in case a second one is placed in the future.
- E Livesey, as a member of Longtown Development Team, informed the council the group would like to reinstate the Gala, a sub group would take this forward subject to feedback and volunteers from the community becoming involved.
- A meeting was planned with Susstrans and City Council Green Spaces team ;looking at developing the railway line, they were also to look at the footpath on Arthuret Road.
- It was agreed recheck with the insurers the cost to add volunteers (Green Spaces sub group) to the schedule to clean play areas and other areas in the town.

Police matters
Minute No 350

There was no police update received.

County, City
Cllrs Minute No
351

City Cllr J Mallinson confirmed that he was funding, through his City Councillors allocation for the hire of the Community Centre for the senior citizens party, the remainder towards to Warm Hub, a total of £650. In addition, £950 given to pay for room hire for the warm hub.

Clerks update
Minute No 352

- **Foodbank/Pop up Pantry**
The manager of the Community Centre had approached the clerk, as co -ordinator, to ask it be considered to move this facility to the Community Centre. It was confirmed this would be run from the Community Centre from January 2023.
- **Warm Hub**
The Community Centre has set up a Warm Hub each Tuesday. evening 4-7pm.
- **Residents' concerns**
The following issues/concerns addressed sine the last meeting.
 1. Reported to CCC Highways Hotline water standing on the footpath corner of Swan Street / High Street, Swan Street, Burn Street and Netherby Street.
 2. 2 Street light not working Old Road, now repaired.

Council Rooms repairs

It was confirmed Ian Pearson would oversee the building works at the Council Rooms, the plumber had isolated the disabled toilet and the damp was being monitored.

- **S106 funding**
A number of suggestions were put forward in discussion in spending the Section 106 agreement from the Gleeson Homes Development.
It was already agreed outdoor exercise equipment to be sited at the Old Road/Lochinvar site.
- **Council Rooms cleaner**
The cleaner had given notice of resignation. The chairman to speak with cleaner before discussions for future arrangements.
- **To agree process for councillors to report issues and format to log and progress this information.**
It was agreed I principle the council consider each councillor oversee an area in the parish to report any issues, to be discussed further at a future

Representatives
on other bodies
Minute No 353

meeting.

Moot Hall

Councillors were reminded that the Lease Agreement between Carlisle Diocese and the parish council had now extended. Cllr Rev. E Robinson confirmed APCC Church wardens had inspected the premises and a meeting should be held with themselves and representatives of the PC to consider the way forward. This was agreed.

Access and lack of fire escape remained a concern to future use.

City Cllr J Mallinson's comments were noted, what is the purpose? Do we need it? and should the Parish Council consider the clerk work from the Community Centre.

Board of Trustees Community Centre

City Cllr J Mallinson reported there was a lot to consider in moving forward, currently there was no focal point and were looking at Heritage and Parish Council consider looking to relocate. Noted.

County Cllr T Pickstone was chair and Cllr C Johanssen vice chair.

There was potential for a number of things to develop. However, this was very much dependent on the Board of Trustees members volunteering to cover opening hours.

CAP Initiative

Cllr C Johanssen reported no update, Cllr G Routledge had made the point there was a need for a full time PCSO for Longtown.

Allotment Committee

Cllr M Gunson reported on a positive meeting of the committee and were confident in moving forward with a number of issues. Avian flu restrictions were an issue in implementing, with a minority of tenants, this was being addressed. A decision would be taken by January to address those not working their plots.

Incredible Edible

Cllr C Johanssen reported it was hoped to progress with the areas at the Bobbin Mill Gardens and Family Action Group, locals were keeping the area tidy.

Borderlands project Town Team

Cllr M Gunson attended as the parish council representative and reported all had been raised under public participation.

Borderlands Project Stakeholders

Cllr C Adams was not in attendance to give a report,.

Senior citizens party Minute No 354

It was confirmed date of Senior Citizens Party 9th December 1-5pm. Following discussion, it was agreed that, up to a maximum of 25. Home deliveries would be made of a Christmas lunch to those who were housebound.

A meeting was arranged on the 15th November of the Working Group to progress plans and agree schedule.

Remembrance Sunday Minute No 355

It was agreed the service at the War Memorial had gone well with a good turnout.

Cllr G Routledge laid the wreath at the church and Cllr C Adams at the War Memorial on behalf of the Parish Council. Noted that Nicholson's Undertakers loan of the PA system was a big help. The bugler was in top form and the exhibition at the Community Centre excellent.

Handrail The Scour Minute No 356

Awaiting a response from Cumbria County Council Highways and Right of Way Officer to get repairs carried out. The clerk expressed concern as this is a safety hazard and this had been raised in September.

Beckburn Community Pot grants Minute No 357

The following grant community grant applications were considered.

Longtown [Primary School PTA £380 for a small gift to each child at Christmas.

Gardner's Guns £100 towards a free event "Women's and Daughters Day"

Longtown Rainbows and Guides £400

Warm Hub £200

Parish Council
Elections
Minute No 358

The clerk was awaiting information from Carlisle City Council of cost in 2023 if an election were to be held in Arthuret. City Cllr J Mallinson reported discussions were taking place whether parish councils could get assistance with these costs although nothing had been confirmed. The clerk made councillors aware this would impact on the level of rise in precept.

Policies to adopt
Minute No 359

To be considered at the Finance meeting.

External
Auditor report
Minute No 360

The AGAR and final report were still to be received, to go onto the Agenda of December meeting.

Date of Finance
meeting
Minute No
361

To be confirmed by the chairman for a date in January.

Planning
Minute No 362

Submission

App. Ref.22/0767

Installation of roof mounted solar panel array, C&D Auction Mart Ltd. Townfoot Longtown (for information)

Appn. Ref 22/0754

Erection of steel portal frame building for livestock. Cumberland and Dumfriesshire Farmers Mart Longtown (for information)

Correspondence
Minute No363

All correspondence circulated prior to the meeting.

1. LGR update
2. Connecting Cumbria newsletter
3. Minutes of CPCA AGM of 1st September
4. Cumberland Council update on LGR - 15TH November. Teams meeting with Andrew Seekings.
5. Community Engagement and Community Plan
6. CALC AGM on 29th October

7. Developing for Levelling up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC) funding review.
8. News from Cumbria Community Foundation.
9. Climate update, Cumbria Local Authority.
10. CALC - Carbon Literacy Training.
11. CALC update.
12. NALC events and newsletter.
13. CALC update on Cumberland Council and LGR.

Accounts
November 2022

Cheque	Re c	Paid to	
705152	51	D Beattie - riverside, parks cleaning	414.00
705153		R Highmore - Council Rooms cleaner	83.07
705154	52	E Mylnek - riverside works	175.00
705155		HMRC - NI, Pension, Income tax	2,359.92
705156	53	Foodbank	100.00
705157	54	Royal British Legion poppy wreaths	23.00
705158	55	K Murchison - Tender flower beds	3,288.00
705159	56	One com - telephone, broadband, line rental	76.10
705160		K Johnson - clerk salary	1,989.33