Minutes of a meeting of Arthuret Parish Council held on Monday 3rd July 2023 at 7pm at the Longtown Memorial Hall Community Centre

Present Minute

No 257

Cllrs Sir JFS Graham (Chair) G Routledge, M Gunson, C Adams C Johannsen. L Mason and Rev. E Robinson

Apologies Minute
No 258

Apologies and reasons for absence were received from Cumberland Cllr T Pickstone.

Members of the public
Minute No 259

The Chairman welcomed 2 members of the public to the meeting who were invited to raise issues/concerns, relating to the Parish. Resident 1 questioned why the installation of Speed Indication Devices was taking such a long time and queried the reason., The clerk explained and gave a brief breakdown of the issues addressed to resolve this, clerk mitigating circumstances. Clarification. It was queried whether the SID would be placed within the 30mph zone, to seek clarification.

Resident 2 reported they had shared information for the proposed MUGA, Section 106 Funding, with Borderland Steering Group, Jamie Hendry, Cumberland Council, Green Spaces and Director of Leisure Services with no communication with the parish council. Clerk noted concern and addressed these in the meeting. It was agreed that once 3 quotes were received, taking into consideration councillors' comments from residents, the proposal for a different MUGA in dimensions, to that previously considered by the council be considered. Noted this resident has met with Cumberland Council to discuss this, however, not with agreement of parish council. Clerk in progress of securing 3 comparable quotes to be considered at a meeting in July.

<u>Declaration of</u>
<u>Interest Minute</u>
No 260

Cllr M Gunson- Allotments.

Police Issues
Minute No 261

The PFCC Summer newsletters circulated to all prior to the meeting.

The following raised and noted.

ASBO issues Moor Road in early hours on one occasion and PCSO notified a councillor there were no issues of concern reported.

<u>Cumberland</u> <u>councillor report</u> Minute No 262 The clerk read the following report from County Cllr T Pickstone. received by e-mail, prior to the meeting.

1. Borderlands Deal project/funding. A date has now been set (and people notified) of the next meeting of the Steering

Group, mid-July, where a progress update on what is happening with the project. Consultants are being engaged to take ideas the people had into a proper business case for investment.

The Council instructed the clerk to ask for clarification on who is funding the appointed consultants, is this from the Borderlands funding?, and who is on the Longtown Steering Group as the parish council are receiving veery little information.

Clerk to forward the e-mail from Cllr Pickstone to all councillors who will respond by the 19th July, the clerk to forward these to Cllr Pickstone for a response.

Representatives on other bodies Minute No 263

Board of Trustees Community Centre

Cllr C Johanssen reported

- 1. A number of new projects to increase footfall and improve facilities were ongoing.
- 2. Cllr. Rev. E Robinson reported that the Deanery of Brampton have agreed a weekly After School Club for 12-15 years would be held run by the Network Youth officer.

Allotment Committee

At this time majority of plots working well, slowly those on the waiting list were being allocated plots.

Incredible Edible

Cllrs M Gunson reported the project was going with a glut of produce, agreed a need the volunteers needed to publicise availability to the community.

Borderlands Project

It was agreed, following discussion. there was a need for clarification from Cumberland Cllr T Pickstone on how this initiative was being publicised.

Minutes of 5th June meeting Minute No 264

The minutes of the council meeting held on the 5^{th} June were agreed and signed by the chairman as a true record.

Website Minute No 265

Consideration was given to future website providers taking into consideration, access, cost and the necessity to ensure the website was giving access to information to the community at an early access. It was agreed the clerk would forward a link to the parish agreed the clerk, once in receipt, would forward to compare the benefits of switching current providers costs, agreed this would be considered and a decision taken at the Finance meeting in July council currently using the considered site. It was noted Cllr. C Johanssen's reference to an e-mail

forwarded to all by the clerk, of a TEAMS meeting arranged for 27^{th} September on Digital Information, to engage with the decision-making process.

CALC Training Minute No 266

Suggested dates for training, as requested by CALC, agreed, to be forwarded to the Development Officer, Clerk to keep councillors updated. The following dates, 29^{th} , 30^{th} and 31^{st} July, suggested either 10-12pm or 11-1.00pm.

Clerks update Minute No 267

Following reported

- Progressing and awaiting quote to repair the fencing around the flower bed at the entrance to the town.
 Feedback was that the gated entrance to this site should be cleared for easier access and a flagstone placed at the entrance.
- Through the parish council website, the clerk received feedback from a visitor to Longtown who commented on the poor state of maintenance regarding weeds on footpaths. Noted and to be forwarded to Cumberland Council as their responsibility.

Riverside issues Minute No 268

Emergency throwline information inadequate.

Highway issues Minute No 269

Complaints from residents they were not informed of the works to be carried out by Cumberland Highways regarding the closure of Moor Road. This has caused problems with bus routes as well as residents travelling on a daily basis.

Give a Day Minute No 270

Noted a thank you to Janet Blair who, once again, arranged a group of volunteers for Give a Day initiative to tidy up the flower bed on the island at the entrance to Longtown on the A7.

Planning Minute No. 271

Appn Ref. 23/0377

Erection of replacement extension to provide Stottfoot Cottage, Carwinley,

No observations.

Appn, Ref. 23/0372

Demolition of existing conservatory and outbuildings; erection of single storey rear extension to provide utility together with replacement windows/doors, re-roofing and re building rear elevation.

Esk Dene, 11 Esk Street, Longtown Supported.

The following was circulated to all prior to the meeting.

Correspondence Minute No 272

- Carlisle Parish Council Association AGM 27th July TEAMS Meeting
- NALC newsletter
- NALG legal update
- NALC Chief Executive legal update
- NALC Role of local councillors

ACCOUNTS Minute No 273

Cheque	Rec	Paid to	Amount
704265	31	Ian Pearson – works at Council	2,700.00
		Rooms	
704266	32	D Beattie - riverside cleaner	414.00
704267		HMRC - Income tax, N.I. and	817.62
		pension	
704268		Clerk salary	2,150.39
704269		Working from home clerk allowance	24.00
704270		Petty cash	100.00
704271	33	E Mylnek - riverside works	560.00
704272	34	Cochranes - bedding plants	1,908.90
704273	35	Onecom - office phone and	45.00
		broadband	
704274	36	Community centre - room hire	24.00
704275	37	NSALG - Annual subscription	186.00
704276	38	ROSPA Play areas inspection	327.00