

MINUTES OF A VIRTUAL MEETING OF ARTHURET PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY
6th April 2021 AT 7.00 p.m.

<u>Present</u>	Cllrs. Sir JFS Graham (Chair), G Routledge (Vice Chair) M Gunson C Adams, L Mason, R Graham, C Johannsen, K Johnston. County/City Cllr V Tarbitt and City Cllrs J Mallinson and D Shepherd
<u>Apologies Minute No 1</u>	Apologies and reasons for absence were received from Cllr M Gardner, P Illsley and S Elliott
<u>Declaration of Interest Minute No 2</u>	Cllr M Gunson allotments
<u>Members of the public Minute No 3</u>	<p>There were 4 members of the public in attendance. Correspondence was read out from a resident opposed to the proposal. The chairman invited residents to speak; all were attending to raise objections to the informal consultation from Cumbria County Council for proposed parking restrictions English Street, Main Street (sic) and Bridge Street. There followed a lengthy discussion and the following was noted.</p> <p>No support from residents had been received although there was very high numbers of strong opposition.</p> <p>The clerk confirmed to a member of the public the parish had not discussed this as an agenda item in the past, there had been an informal meeting arranged by County Cllr Tarbitt with a CCC Highways officer and the clerk attending. This meeting had been reported back to the parish council.</p> <p>The chairman, Cllr Sir JFS Graham, agreed with Cllr G Routledge, that the community have made their views known, as have local businesses, which were very much against the proposal.</p> <p>City Cllr J Mallinson confirmed that Cumbria County Council would not be taking this proposal forward.</p>
<u>Police matters Minute No 4</u>	No police were in attendance.
<u>County and City Cllrs report Minute No 5</u>	<p>County/ City Cllr V Tarbitt gave the following update.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The rubbish/logs under the parapet of the bridge were being monitored regularly. • Pathways at A6071, Burn Street, Briar Lea Court and Arthuret Road were overgrown and would be cleared to make safe.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Potholes A7, Burn Street and other locations in the parish and Lyne Bridge were atrocious and need filled. • The bridge under Netherby Road had a mountain of rubbish to be cleared. <p>City Cllr J Mallinson gave the following update.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Although ascertaining ownership was a problem, Building Control Were prepared to take enforcement action to get the boundary wall at The Bush Hotel repaired. • Confirmed there was no firm date for the Community Centre to reopen, hopefully it would be sometime in May once the Trustees had discussed this further. <p>City Cllr D Shepherd gave the following update.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Himalayan Balsam and erosion of the river bank remained a big problem; it was possible help could be offered through him from a visitor to Irthington Parish. Although labour intense, it was possible to remove and it was suggested a weekend pulling the roots would be beneficial if enough volunteers came forward.
<p><u>Representatives on other bodies</u> <u>Minute No 6</u></p>	<p><u>CAP Initiative</u> Until restrictions eased there was no update.</p> <p><u>Incredible Edible Project</u> Cllr L Mason gave a report of a Zoom meeting when it was agreed to progress with the Bobbin Mill Gardens as the first location to plant out, it was hoped those that volunteered would join the next meeting.</p> <p><u>Coronavirus Support Group</u> Cllr L Mason and Clerk gave a brief update on the very successful Bake Off Children's Competition, judged visually online by Cllr and Mrs Routledge. There were 29 entries and all received a prize kindly donated by Millers Transport, and a resident of the town, S Caton.</p>
<p><u>Minutes of 1st March</u> <u>Minute No 7</u></p>	<p>The minutes of the meeting held on the 1st March, with an amendment of Cllr C Adams apologies received, were agreed as a true record, to be signed by the chairman at the next face to face meeting.</p>
<p><u>Minutes of 24th March</u> <u>Minute No 8</u></p>	<p>The minutes of the meeting held on 24th March were agreed a true record, to be signed by the chairman at the next face to face meeting.</p>
<p><u>Minutes of 29th March</u> <u>Minute No 9</u></p>	<p>The minutes of the meeting held on the 29th March were agreed as a true record, to be signed by the chairman at the next face to face meeting.</p>
<p><u>Parking restrictions</u> <u>Minute No 10</u></p>	<p>Following earlier discussion under Public participation / members of the public, mindful of the very strong opposition to the proposal, it was agreed unanimously councillors were against the proposal.</p>

<p><u>Proposal for restrictions overnight parking.</u> <u>Minute No 11</u></p>	<p>It was noted this was very tight consultation period to consider and respond to. There were 2 different issues, the proposal doesn't differentiate between a driver bringing his HGV overnight and those parking overnight instead of using a Truck Stop. It was agreed this was not seen as a serious problem, and agreed it was acceptable to park up overnight if sleeping in your own home but not if parking up to sleep in your vehicle.</p>
<p><u>Local Government Review</u> <u>Minute No 12</u></p>	
<p><u>Memorial benches</u> <u>Minute No 13</u></p>	<p>The 2 memorial benches, one at Arthuret Road, the other on the island, were now in place; a lot of positive feedback had been received.</p>
<p><u>St Michaels Well</u> <u>Minute No 14</u></p>	<p>Correspondence received from a resident asking if maintenance work at St Michaels Well can be undertaken. The clerk confirmed there was a small amount of funding in place from the grant received and would speak to the contractor.</p>
<p><u>VE Day celebrations</u> <u>Minute No 15</u></p>	<p>Councillors agreed to order a cake to be delivered to the residents of Eskdale House and Virginia Lodge. Councillors agreed to consider whether or not VE Day would be commemorated each year, to be considered further at a future meeting.</p> <p>City Cllr J Mallinson reported the City Council were in consultation with the Royal British Legion, due to Covid restrictions this year's Centenary was due to be commemorated from May to October. A plan for a 100 year old Bear/ Book was planned. Cllr Mallinson to give more information at the meeting in May.</p>
<p><u>Speed Indication devices</u> <u>Minute No 16</u></p>	<p>No progress to date, awaiting response from Cumbria County Council Highways officer in order to progress.</p>
<p><u>Play provision</u> <u>Minute No 17</u></p>	<p>Clerk confirmed progress with play providers, awaiting confirmation from Riverside Housing they are in agreement with the proposed layout of the new equipment at The Square.</p>
<p><u>Street lighting</u> <u>Minute No 18</u></p>	<p>Clerk confirmed the work to replace the 4 street lighting columns on the A7 Carlisle Road was completed.</p>
<p><u>Date of next meeting</u> <u>Minute No 19</u></p>	<p>Date of next meeting Tuesday 6th May at 7.0 Opm.</p>
<p><u>Planning</u> <u>Minute No 20</u></p>	<p>PROPOSAL Appn Ref 21/0262 Proposed erection of open cattle ring/area with 3no. Steel framed</p>

		viewing stalls. Cumberland and Dumfriesshire Farmers Mart Townfoot Longtown. Supported.
<u>Correspondence</u> <u>Minute No 21</u>		CALC Information. 1. Government call for evidence on remote meetings. Online survey whether there should be permanent arrangements to allow meetings of councils to take place online. 2. CALC training information. 3. Friday round up 26 th March. 4. Latest update on Face to Face meetings. It was anticipated virtual meetings would cease after May 7 th although there was pressure from many councils for this to be extended. There would be more clarity on this at the next meeting. 5. Zero Carbon Cumbria Partnership update.

ACCOUNTS APRIL 2021

The following accounts were approved and authorised for payment.

Cheque	Rec	To whom paid	Amount
705127		R Highmore - Council Rooms cleaner	73.85
705128	1	D Beattie - Riverside, changing rooms play areas	440.00
705129		HMRC - Income Tax, NI and pension contributions	679.56
705130		K Johnson - clerk salary	1,847.67
705131	2	Landform landscapes - groundwork and install 2 outdoor benches	928.80