

**Minutes of a meeting of Arthuret Parish Council held on Monday 3rs October 2016 at
7.00p.m.in the Council Centre**

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Present

Cllrs Sir JFS Graham, G Routledge, M Gunson, C Adams, S Winthrop, and
M Gourlay
County Cllr V Tarbitt, City Cllrs R Bloxham and J Mallinson

**Apologies Minute
No 753**

Apologies for absence received from Cllr M Gardner due to work
commitments

**Declaration of
Interest Minute No
754**

Declaration of interest -
Cllr M Gunson- Allotments
Cllr CA
Cllr M Gourlay -Meeting with Planning regarding The Oaks
development
District Cllr RB - all Planning on the agenda
County Cllr V T - Planning Application Ref. 16/0824

**Minutes of 5th
September Minute
No 755**

With an amendment to Apologies to include Cllr S Winthrop absence, the
minutes of the meeting held on the 5th September were agreed and
signed by the chairman as a correct record.

**Members of public
Minute No 756**

2 members of the public attended the meeting to raise the following
issues and concerns regarding the allotments.

- Some allotments not being worked for a long period, it was
perceived this was taking a long time to be addressed.
- Notice boards not displaying information, requested they are
utilised more for information relating to the allotments.
- Referred to negative report about the allotments in the
Cumberland News recently. Cllr MGu felt this was a fair reflection
on the current state.
- Questioned why the Allotment holders could not have more control
in the running of the allotments. It was explained that the
allotments were the responsibility of the parish council to manage
and agree proposals from the Allotment Committee who were
speaking on behalf of all allotment holders.
- Regarding the weed killer being sprayed, County Cllr VT confirmed
this was not an action undertaken by CCC Highways. Concern
remained this was a deliberate act.

Mr Gardner and Mr Steels were assured all points raised would be
addressed by the council.

Councillors agreed as a result of matters raised by allotment holders at
the meeting regular inspections of the allotments to be carried out and
action taken as soon as practical. It was further agreed to take advice

regarding recent changes in legislation before consideration is given to any proposed changes in the tenancy agreement. Cllr M Gourlay offered to help and go onto the Allotment Committee as an additional representative from the parish council.

Police update
Minute No 757

No newsletter received, no police present.

County and City
Cllrs report Minute
No 758

City Cllr RB gave an update on the following

- The City Council had removed 2 lots of fly tipping from the Longtown area and continuing to be active in the area, those caught would be prosecuted.

County Cllr V T gave the following update

- The footpath on Netherby had been cut back; a private hedge overgrowing on the footpath requires attention.
- Provision of broadband to the south side of the town was being pursued.
- Repair work to the steps to The Scour was completed. The steps to Dollies Brae still required works.
- Had agreed to fund the half term youth sports sessions provided by ABC Sports Coaching at the parish playing fields on the 28th October.

Representatives on
other bodies
Minute No 759

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE COMMUNITY CENTRE

Cllr GR reported

- The AGM would be held on the 6th October followed by a meeting of the Trustees. Their priority was to find ways to generate income.

Partnership meeting
Minute No 760

At the meeting held on the 20th September

- A short presentation was given by Samantha Ridley, Age UK, on a project to help elderly access services and address isolation.
- Following the success of the litter pick/youth event on the parish fields the group had agreed to arrange a sports event on the 28th October.
- A potential community / youth project at Moorlands Park was discussed. No decision taken. The opening event date was confirmed for the 4th November.
- Next meeting 1st November.

Planning meeting
The Oaks Minute
No 761

Following concerns raised by residents of The Oaks housing development regarding play area provision on the site a meeting had been arranged by the Planning Office with the police, City and Parish Council representation and Open Paces Team to consider options. The developer was invited but did not attend. It had been agreed to progress the issue with Longtown Primary School and the William Howard Trust to look at the possibility of providing a play area on the school site with access by a gate from the development. The head teacher had indicated this could be

an option. Anti-social issues at the MUGA continued to be a problem and were being addressed by the police with residents.

Clerks update
Minute No 762

Copies of the clerks report on matters raised and action taken since the last meeting copied to all and noted.

Data Protection
Minute No 763

The Freedom of Information Publication scheme was formally adopted for 2016/17 and annual fee of £35 authorised to continue being paid by direct debit.

Hallburn Windfarm
Minute No 764

Matt Dawson, CEO of Grantscape. Who will be managing the Community Pot for the Hallburn Wind Farm, had contacted the clerk to introduce themselves and give a brief outline on how the funding will be managed. Copies of the proposed funding criteria received and circulated to all prior to the meeting. Comments noted regarding the criteria that Westlinton and Kirklington Middle Parishes that would benefit would not be affected by the windfarm. Vice chairman and clerk to progress. Cllr RB requested Cllr JM is invited to this meeting. County Cllr VT indicated she would like to be included in any discussion.

The next meeting of the Beck Burn Wind Farm Community Fund Group would be held on the 4th October, Cllr GR to attend.

Festive activities
Minute No 765

Remembrance
Sunday Service
Minute No 766

Confirmation that the format of the Remembrance Day Service at the War Memorial would be the same as the previous year. All councillors were invited to attend the Remembrance Day church service followed by a procession from the church to the War Memorial.

Highway issues
Minute No 767

Residents concerned that the light sequence on the Puffin crossing was changing mid crossing, Highways aware and addressing the issue.

Tenders Minute
No 768

Copies of tenders that were circulated to all prior to the meeting considered and amendments agreed.

Planning

PROPOSAL

Appn Ref 18/0814

Variation of condition 2 (approved documents) of previously approved documents 12/0637 for alternative window details and slight variation to internal layout of farmhouse Brackenhill Farm Longtown Supported.

Appn Ref 16/0813

Conversion of existing farmhouse to 2no dwellings (alternative window details and variation to internal layout of farmhouse of previously approved permission 12/0636) Brackenhill Farm Brackenhill Longtown Supported.

Appn Ref 16/0824

Erection of 1no 4 bedroom detached dwelling to the rear of 4 Swan Street Longtown

Comments that demolition of a sandstone building and replacing in more modern materials; Could it not be rebuilt using like materials.

DECISION

Appn Ref 16/0530

Erection of balcony/fire escape above first floor level, erection of flat roof to form fire escape/porch above rear door, alterations to dormer windows to front elevation to form balcony (part retrospective) Refuse permission.

Correspondence
Minute No 769

Thank you letter received from Longtown Horticultural Society for the grant for the prizes for Best Allotments at the Annual Flower Show.

Payment of accounts as itemised authorised.

Accounts

Cheque	Rec	Paid to	
704417	47	S Nicholson grass cutting TENDER	240.00
704418		R Highmore Council Rooms cleaner	68.33
704419	48	D Beatty Riverside cleaning, play area Lochinvar Close	352.00
704420		Inland Revenue Income Tax NI	697.30
704421		K Johnson clerk salary	1,787.88
704422	49	K Murchison Flowerbeds TENDER	2,520.00
704423		Retained	
704424	50	K Johnson reimbursed office supplies	43.30
704425	51	Murrays Printers raffle tickets	46.50
704426	52	J Robb Window cleaner Council Rooms	48.00
704427	53	United Utilities water charges Changing rooms	559.46