

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF ARTHURET PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 7th  
APRIL 2015 AT 7.00p.m.IN THE COUNCIL CENTRE

- Present** Cllrs G Routledge (vice chairman) M Gunson, P Rollen, S Winthrop, M Gardner, R Boguszinski,  
County Cllr V Tarbitt and City Cllrs R Bloxham and J Mallinson,
- Apologies Minute  
No 488** Apologies for absence were received from  
Cllr Sir JFS Graham (chairman) (holiday)  
Cllr C Adams (holiday)
- Members of the  
public Minute No  
489** No members of the public were in attendance. The following issues were raised by members of the public to councillors.
- Steps to Dollies Brae and The Scour need the anti-slip mats replaced that have been removed due to vandalism. The clerk confirmed steps are being taken to resolve this. The bottom post of the handrail on The Scour to be removed and replaced.
- Declaration of  
Interest Minute No  
490** City Cllr RB declared an interest in all planning consultations on the agenda.  
Cllr M Gunson in items relating to the allotments
- Police matters  
Minute No 491** A meeting was arranged with Sgt Jamieson on the 22nd April to address concerns of anti social behaviour in the parish. Agreed a separate meeting be requested with Riverside Housing Association to raise concerns and seek clarity on their local allocation policy.
- Monthly police newsletter received and circulated with agenda.
  - Agreed to write a letter to the Chief Constable with a copy to the Police Commissioner seeking reassurance the community would be consulted prior to any decision being taken on the closure of the police station in Longtown. Also to raise concern that following the anti-social behaviour problems in the summer of 2014 in Longtown assurance was given there would be high visibility of the PCSOs in the town. This no longer appears to be in place.
  - Noted that of the 36 reports of crime in the police newsletter 10 were in Longtown.
  - 3 windows had been broken at the bungalow, repairs authorised.
- County and City  
Councillors report  
Minute No 492** City Cllr RB gave the following update.
- The City Council were carrying out an exercise looking at the 700 litter bins in Carlisle District aiming to identify those in the wrong location and list those damaged. A list would be drawn up of those to be removed. Cllrs RB and JM to consult with the clerk and 1 councillor to agree to remove or relocate those no longer useful in the parish.
- County Cllr VT reported
- Had agreed to pay for Wi-Fi for the Community Centre

- Was having low key 1 to 1 meeting with RHA tenants regarding the heating bills.
- Agreed to fund for a further years cleaning of the bus shelter area at the school. It was suggested the Parish Council consider ongoing costs for future years when setting the 2016/2017 precept. As this was CCC land clerk to check if the parish council could fund this.
- The access to the Lochinvar site continues to have litter problems, responsibility for cleaning this area debated, this is an unadopted road. Suggested organising voluntary litter picks. No decision taken.

City Cllr JM reported

- Confirmed the access route to the Hallburn wind farm site would be A7, Swan Street, Mary Street, and Moor Road. The issue on how stone and concrete was transported was still to be agreed. A Traffic Management Plan would be submitted to the planning and highway authority. Clerk to contact City Council Planning Services for confirmation of arrangements in place for construction traffic accessing the site.
- Noted that parish council remain concerned about retrospective planning applications in the parish.

**Representatives on other bodies Minute No 493**

**MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE COMMUNITY CENTRE**

Cllr GR gave an update of planned events. The CC was in the process of interviewing to appoint an additional youth worker/ Centre worker on a 6 month contract.

**ALLOTMENT COMMITTEE**

Cllr MGu reported 2 allotments had been reallocated and there was a waiting list. All rents were collected; the Allotment Committee were scheduled to meet in May to review the Terms and Conditions agreement.

**Minutes 16th March Minute No 494**

The minutes of the meeting held on the 16<sup>th</sup> March were submitted and they were agreed and confirmed and signed by the chairman as a true record.

**Play areas Minute No 495**

Agreed to an officer from RHA and City Council Open Spaces Team to a meeting to address issues relating to taking over the play areas and verification on the policy of Section 106 agreement funding being allocated to play areas.

**City Council play area Minute No Minute No 496**

Confirmation received from Phil Grey, Manager City Council Open Spaces Team that the City Council had authorised a one off payment of £4,000 to take over the maintenance of the play areas at Old Road and Moor Crescent. An offer was also made that the parish council could access the annual safety check and reports through them at an estimated cost of £50 per annum. This offer was accepted.

**Annual Audit Minute No 497**

Notification of the Annual Review of accounts for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015 received, to be completed and returned to BDO LLP by the

29<sup>th</sup> June.

**Environmental  
Issues  
Minute No 498**

The following issues were brought to the council to address.

1. Dog fouling remains an ongoing problem. Agreed to consider a leaflet drop and additional signage be posted.
2. Request received for lines defining parking bays in Esk Street to ensure better use of the space.
3. Agreed to ask the Post Office for an update on the proposal to relocate the sub office to Spar. Agreed to ask City Council Planning if planning permission is required and make them aware of the parking issues outside Spar.

**Planning**

**PROPOSAL**

1. Appn. Ref 15/0257 Erection of single storey rear extension to provide kitchen and utility together with loft conversion West View Easton Longtown. Supported

**DECISION**

1. Appn. Ref. 15/0069 Erection of single storey rear extension to provide bedroom, kitchen, living/dining room and erection of detached garage with office above. Sandysike Cottage, Sandysike. Longtown Refuse permission

**CORRESPONDENCE  
Minute No 499**

1. April CALC Circular copied to all in attendance
2. Blood Bikes Cumbria , a charity that supports the local community by transporting blood and blood products between hospitals in Cumbria and the North East when urgent samples need to be analysed, seeking support to carry on their vital work Agreed a donation of £50 be given.

To receive a report on income and expenditure to date and authorise accounts for April.

**ACCOUNTS  
APRIL 2015**

Cheque	Rec	Paid to	
703725	1	United Utilities Annual water bill	1, 54.71
703726	2	P Rollen reimburse festive decorations	100.00
703727	3	D Beatty Riverside cleaner/ clean bus park area at school	352.00
703728		R Highmore Council Rooms cleaner/caretaker	68.33
703729		Petty cash	150.00
703730	4	K Johnson mileage claimed	8.80
703731		Inland Revenue Income Tax and N.I.	698.85
703732		K Johnson Clerk salary	1,754.06
703733	5	Edwin Thomson Annual rent for allotments plus £60 arrears	360.00
703734		K Johnson Salary backdated ref NALC/SLCC 2016 pay scale agreement	100.00
Dd	6	Ioomi website maintenance	78.00