

Minutes of the Bi-monthly Meeting at Thirlmere Recreation Hall Thursday 1st October at 7.30pm

Present: Mark Cockbain (Chairman) Mrs P Darrall I Hartland Mrs Sue Hope R Vidler L Walton David Lamb, Clare Archibold Kathyne Peters (Parish Clerk) Andrew Lysser Martin Pugmire Paul Phillips (UU) **Apologies: None**

Chairman Mark Cockbain welcomed everyone.

1. Minutes. All members had been sent a copy of the Minutes from the last meeting.

Resolved: Minutes of meeting held Thursday 31st July 2015 confirmed & signed by Chairman.

2. Declaration of interest. There were no declarations of any personal or prejudicial interests related to the business of the meeting.

3. Public Question Time and Police Matters.

Paul Phillips from United Utilities updates about Castle Rock, Fisher Place and the Ghylls

Castle Rock – UU legal position is that they have no liability due to 'rights of way' and they won't intervene and that Castle Rock will be left to natural forces. They have put up hazard signs for the public to beware of crumbling rock. In February the British Geological Society will be researching and monitoring it. UU will keep the parish informed.

Fisher Place – UU own the road but not the properties. He explains that the condition of the road is the residents' responsibility it is in the covenant of the deeds. 9 houses belong to Impact Housing and 3 are privately owned. There will need to be shared contributions to improve the road. Paul will contact Impact to make a start on making a plan on how to go ahead to make improvements and will keep us informed.

Ghylls – Coppice in Stannah Ghyll. UU will put a work programme together to deal with the ghylls.

Overgrown Footpaths Thirlmere – The regularly used footpath will have an annual cut and it's on the rota.

Wythburn – PP says that UU will pay for the pothole repair at Wythburn.

Andrew Lysser – update on highways in response to letters sent to the Parish council from local residents (Hilary Thornley Sharp Edge Gallery Goosewell farm and Debbie Beament from Keswick climbing wall) who are concerned about poor condition of Eleventrees Road from Keswick to Burns.

A lengthsman has been instructed to look at the road, verges and drainage and to report back. He (**Andrew Lysser**) will also speak to Highways about the potholes up at the stone circle.

Highways will resurface from end of Castle Lane to Dalebottom on 7th January. KP to inform Hilary Thornley Sharp Edge Gallery Goosewell farm and Debbie Beament from Keswick climbing wall.

PD raised the problem of potholes on the road up to the church from Sykes Farm. **KP to contact highways.**



4. Clerk's Report.

- a. The process of updating the signatories on the bank account is ongoing and councillors passed the relevant paperwork over to CA.
- b. Legacy funding is being granted for communities that are will be affected by the pipeline. LDNP want to hear communities ideas. Meeting will take place at Embleton Village Hall on Oct 21st 6.30 – 8.30.
- c. The issue of free car parking at the LDNP will not be discussed anymore by David Coxon at LDNP. He is happy for locals to monitor the road and keep him updated but he will not be swayed on any concessions for free parking.
- d. Radioactive waste is on the radar again. There will be a meeting about this on Tues 20th Oct in Carlisle Hallmark Hotel at 6pm. R V will attend. KP gave out a consultation paper for councillors to look at. **KP to fill out online.**
- e. Funding for a website. **KP to apply.**
- f. UU pipeline public consultation 12th Oct at Skiddaw Hotel.
- g. Grass cutting at the hall. Sally Bickerdyke suggested that the hall could pay for it. It was decided to ask the hall to pay half of the cost. **KP to write a letter with request of a shared payment.**

5. Finance. Items for payment:

Clerks expenses 70.07, Geoff Darrall parish newsletter expenses 88.34, Grss cutting Barry Harding 225.00, CALC subscription for local council review 17.00 (second cheque, first cheque lost in post and will be cancelled. **KP to cancel original cheque.**

Resolved: The above amounts be authorised for payment.

6. Planning Applications Granted: None to discuss.

With Planning Board: None

Council to discuss: None

7. Exchange of information.

Laurie brought up the possibility that the mobile library might be cut. **KP to email MP to about this.**

Carol singing – the vicar has booked the hall for 12th December at 6.30. Discussion of where the best places to go carol singing. **Decision made to set up a small committee to organise with the following people assigned to each area; Sue – Burns/Shudraw, Mark – Castlerigg, Kath – Storms.** Carol singing meeting set for Mon Nov 2nd 7pm at Clare Archibalds. **KP to send reminders.**

Date of next meeting-- Bi- monthly Meeting Thursday 26th November

Meeting closed at 9.30pm

