

# **KIRKLINTON PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of a meeting of Kirklington Parish Council held at Fir Ends School on Tuesday 16 September 2014.

## **PRESENT**

I Armstrong, M Jack, Mrs M Story, Mrs B Irving, D Allan, T Wigham and Councillor Mrs J Prest.

## **APOLOGIES**

Mrs M White and A Smith

**REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS** – No requests received.

## **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

D Allan declared a financial interest in Item 7 (1) (b) – Invoice for grasscutting.

**MINUTES** of the Meeting held on 1 July 2014 were approved as a correct record and duly signed by the Chairperson.

## **MATTERS ARISING**

(a) Play area – monthly inspections

Inspection Reports were distributed to the next Councillors on the rota.

(b) Play Area – Grant Applications

The Clerk reported that Grant Applications to Cumbria County Council and Carlisle City Council (Judy Prest) had both been successful and that the work associated with them (New swing seats and additional drainage) had been completed.

Mr Jack was thanked by the Parish Council for painting the Millennium Seats located in the village.

(c) Kirklington Hall

Following a discussion at the previous meeting regarding the events at Kirklington Hall the Clerk reported the receipt of an e.mail from Judy Prest giving some detailed information on the use of the building and site which had been sent to the Planning Department by Mr Boyle, the owner of Kirklington Hall.

(d) Public footpath – Fir Ends School

The Clerk reported that both the Planning Department and the County Council had received complaints regarding the condition of the entrance to the public footpath on the A6071 that borders the school playing field. Some damage was incurred by the contractors working at the school whilst clearing an existing access to the school field of

the A6071. However, the restoration work carried out by the contractors is, in the view of all concerned, unsatisfactory.

The County Council has asked the City Council's Planning Enforcement Officer (PEO) to respond. Judy Prest also confirmed that she would contact the PEO to check on progress.

## **INCOME AND EXPENDITURE 2013/14**

The Income and Expenditure position as at 16 September 2014 compared with the approved Budget was noted.

## **PAYMENTS, SUBSCRIPTIONS AND RECEIPTS**

(1) The following payments were approved:

- (a) Invoice from the Audit Commission for Annual Audit Fee for 2013/14 - **£0.00**
- (b) Invoice from D Allan re grass cutting during 2014 - **£350.00**
- (c) Invoice from The Play Practice re new swing seats - **£175.20**
- (d) Invoice from Ian Davidson re drainage work in the play area - **£386.40**

(2) The following receipts were noted:

- (a) Parish Grant from Carlisle City Council for 2014/15 - **£213.00**
- (b) Grant from Carlisle City Council (Judy Prest) re Play area - **£272.00**  
(Swing Seats - £172.00 and Drainage £100.00)
- (c) Grant from Cumbria County Council re drainage – **£200.00**

## **AUDIT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2014**

The Clerk reported that the audit undertaken by the external auditors had been completed and that a 'minor issue' had been raised relating to the completion of the Annual Return and the allocation of the precept between the various boxes within the Annual Return. The 'minor issue' had been duly noted by the Clerk. The Annual Return and the auditor's comments were accepted by the Parish Council. A 'Notice of Conclusion of Audit' would be displayed on the notice board for a period of 14 days.

## **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

### **(a) Application No: 14/0269 (Michael Nicholson)**

Erection of steel framed agricultural building at The Lake, Blackford, Carlisle

The decision of the Planning Authority to grant permission for this development was noted.

### **Application No: 14/0671 (Mr J Armstrong)**

Erection of farmhouse and associated outbuildings(Outline) on land to the north east of Rose Cottage, Smithfield, Carlisle.

The observations of the Planning Sub-Committee were noted. It was reported that this Application had been withdrawn by the Applicant.

## **PLANNING CARLISLE'S FUTURE:NOTIFICATION OF CONSULTATIONS**

The receipt of this consultation document was noted.

## **NEW REGULATIONS – OPEN AND ACCOUNTABLE LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

New regulations giving the press and public additional rights to film and record meetings of local authorities, including parish councils were noted.

## **EXTERNAL AUDIT AND DATA TRANSPARANCY**

The implications of the Government's new audit regime on the Parish Council were noted. It was reported that a further update on how the new regime would affect small parish councils would be sent out by CALC in due course.

## **DEFIBRILLATORS**

The provision of a defibrillator in conjunction with a third party such as Fir Ends School was approved in principle and a final decision would be made after the receipt of further detailed information.

## **CARLISLE PARISH GRANTS – SECOND ROUND**

The possibility of further grants was noted.

## **REQUEST FOR SLEEPING BAGS**

A request by Cumbria Gateway for unwanted sleeping bags was noted.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

A schedule of the correspondence received since the last meeting was noted.

## **RE-CYCLING WASTE BINS – ROBIN HOOD INN CAR PARK**

D Allan reported that as the plastic waste bins were now being locked users were leaving plastic waste in carrier bags on the ground adjacent to the bins. This practice was unacceptable to the landlord.

The Clerk was asked to contact the County Council with a view to the bins being kept unlocked.

## **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday 18 November 2014 (Budget and Precept meeting)