

PONSONBY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the General Meeting held 12th April 2022

Bob Jones (RJ) - Chairman

Councillors

Alan Rigg – Vice Chairman Scott Robertson (SR) Philip Stanley (PS)

Yvonne Tilson (YT) Tyson Norman (TN) Liz Dias (LD)

Also Present: Hannah Webb (Clerk)

30/22	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE None	
31/22	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST None	
32/22	MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 8th March 2022 Agreed	
33/22	<p>PROGRESS REPORTS</p> <p>GDF – Ongoing Drop in sessions have now concluded. The search area is still to be approved however seismic surveys are due to be completed some time during June/July 2022.</p> <p>Crime Statistics – ongoing This has been chased with Cumbria Police however there has still been no response. This is to be followed up again.</p> <p>Parish Council Forum – ongoing No further updates at this time</p> <p>Highways - ongoing Letters have been sent to Cumbria Highways and Copeland Borough Council with no response. Robin Gate Bridge has now become dangerous and almost impassable – this is to be reported again.</p> <p>Copeland Local Plan - ongoing Feedback has been submitted and we now await further updates.</p> <p>Grounds Maintenance Contract - resolved Quote from Copeland Borough Council has now been accepted.</p> <p>Anonymous letter – resolved. Retrospective planning application has now been submitted Reply to be sent ensuring that conversion from Agricultural building to Commercial premises meets building regulations. Concerns about traffic access raised – this needs to satisfy Highways as part of planning application. Opening hours to be confirmed.</p> <p>World Scout Jamboree The Scout Group is to be contacted to discuss how a donation may be made.</p> <p>War Memorial Response received from Diocese of Carlisle confirming that Proposals for St Bridgets Church closure will include a provision for the War Memorial. Email to be sent on to Seascale Royal British Legion.</p>	<p>TN</p> <p>HW</p> <p>HW</p> <p>HW</p> <p>RJ</p> <p>HW</p>

	<p>St Bridgets Church Closure – ongoing Proposals have now been agreed and signed by the Bishop. These will now be sent to the Church Commissioners for a draft scheme to be drawn up. Currently repair and maintenance of the building remains with the Parochial Church Council.</p> <p>Online Banking Payments - ongoing HSBC are to be contacted to discuss online payment facility and closure of amenities group account. One Parish Council account to be held from which payments can be made</p> <p>LDNP Second Homes - resolved LDNP sent a survey asking for support for lobbying activity regarding second homes undermining communities. Survey to be completed in support.</p> <p>Sellafield Parking Emails received asking for areas to be identified within the local communities which could be used for park and ride facilities – no such areas available within the parish.</p>	<p>HW</p> <p>HW</p>
34/22	<p>APPLICATIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT</p> <p>07/2021/4157 – New Mill Decision has now been made to approve plans with Section 106 Local Occupancy clause attached. Drainage measures are to be installed to ensure water run off does not impact the highway and the roof slate is to match existing materials.</p> <p>4/22/2124/OF1 – Sellafield site - Reprofile retaining wall and fence – no objections</p> <p>4/22/2146/OF1 – New Mill – retrospective application Change of use from Agricultural storage unit to Car Repair Workshop – response to be sent to query whether this will comply with building regulations due to the change in purpose. Concern about access and limited view from entry/exit. Comments to be sent to Copeland Borough Council.</p>	
35/22	<p>FINANCIAL RECORDS Cheques signed. HW to continue to liaise with HSBC regarding online banking set up. Accounts are to be audited in preparation of AGAR – TN to arrange</p>	<p>TN</p>
36/22	<p>SCHEDULE OF CORRESPONDENCE, NOTICES AND PUBLICATIONS</p> <p>West Cumberland Hospital Request for support has been received for increased services for stroke and heart care units at WCH. Full support to be given.</p> <p>Local Government Reorganisation Elections for Shadow Councillors are to take place 5th May 2022.</p> <p>British Horse Society Email received from BHS requesting to recruit historical research volunteers and access and bridleways officer in surrounding area – to be advertised on WhatsApp group.</p> <p>NALC feedback Email received from NALC requesting feedback on available services – no concerns or issues raised</p>	
37/22	<p>PARISH COUNCIL REPRESENTATION</p> <p>None</p>	

<p>38/22</p>	<p>COUNCILLOR MATTERS</p> <p>Bin Copeland Borough Council have deemed a replacement bin to be in a location hazardous for emptying – this matter continues to be ongoing.</p> <p>Asset Register This has now been reviewed and updated. Areas of maintenance have been identified. AR to action instruction of contractors for necessary repairs.</p> <p>Highways reports A number of items continue to remain outstanding and will be chased. As per above, Robin Gate Bridge is to be reported again. Calder Town End footpath sign has been removed – this is to be reported. Sellafield to Calderbridge Road is heavily silted on both sides – this is to be reported.</p> <p>Dog Waste There has been a noticeable increase in dog waste around the village. Gentle intervention to be made if event is witnessed. Dog warden to be contacted for advice.</p> <p>Unity Festival This years Unity Festival is to take place in Whitehaven 2nd July 2022.</p> <p>Bench Second bench has now been received and is to be installed along Longwalks</p>	<p>YT</p> <p>AR</p> <p>HW</p> <p>HW</p>
<p>39/22</p>	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING The proposed and agreed date of the next meeting, also to include an Annual General Meeting is Tuesday 10th May 2022 at 7pm.</p>	