

Minutes of the Meeting of Broughton Moor Parish Council held in Broughton Moor Community Centre on Thursday 19th October 2023 at 7.00pm.

Present: Cllrs Denise Scott, Lesley Dakers, Claire Howsen, Helen Little, Sandra Davies, Jemma Dakers. Cumberland Councillor Bill Pegram and Rev'd Judith Morgan, Parish Clerk, were also present.

Apologies for absence – there were none.

47/23 Requests for Dispensation

There were none.

48/23 Declarations of interest

Cumberland Councillor Bill Pegram declared an interest, as a member of the planning committee, on the agenda item, Planning Matters, and took no part in the subsequent discussion.

49/23 Public Section

No members of the public were present.

50/23 Minutes

On the proposal of Cllr D Scott, seconded by Cllr C Howsen, the minutes of the meeting held on 21st September 2023 were approved and signed as a correct record.

51/23 Matters arising from the Minutes

- i. Further to Min 42/23 I, ii and v the police had confirmed that they are unable to do anything about the car on Seaton Road as it is insured. Cumberland Council had stated that it is not responsible for this issue. Further information requested by the police re the vehicle opposite the school gates, clerk to supply. PC Michelle Lapping no longer in the post she previously held, advised to contact local police station regarding speed camera training for volunteers.
- ii. Further to Min 42/23 iii The empty property on Seaton Road had been reported to CC who would take action on the overhanging vegetation.
- iii. Further to Min 42/23 iv, the occupant of the house on Heatherfields had cut back the overgrown bushes.
- iv. Further to Min 42/23 vii Cumberland Council stated it is not responsible for the Silver Tank and referred the Parish Council back to the landowner. Cumberland Councillor Bill Pegram agreed to take up this matter.

52/23 Welfare Field

- i. The report from Tivoli was read and received.
- ii. Further to the site visit held on Sunday 24th September, one volunteer had come forward to help renovate the log equipment. It was agreed that a tradesman be asked for an opinion on how to proceed. Cllr J Dakers agreed to ask who the schools' PE depts use to advise on their PE equipment. Further discussion on this issue to be held at the November meeting.
- iii. Cllr Howsen to remind Forth about the noticeboard locks, which they removed some time ago.
- iv. Clerk to report to Playdale that the flooring beneath the swings and roundabout is very squashy and bouncy and in need of attention.

53/23 St Columba's Church

The planning application for Change of Use had been granted.

The Pastoral Team will ask the Bishop to approve the retention of the font, subject to protective covenants ensuring it is protected against inappropriate use. The PCC will be consulted re our request for the large wooden cupboards and the safe.

Church Commissioners will publish disposal scheme shortly, consultation on this to run for 28 days. Clerk to speak to Stephen Hughes, at the Church Commissioners' office re the transfer of the building.

54/23 Planning Matters

Application No OUT/2023/0012 – Outline Application with all matters reserved for residential development on infill site on field to south of Fell View, Moor Road, Broughton Moor.

A copy of a letter of objection from Mr and Mrs Elsworth, Fell View, Broughton Moor was read and received.

Councillors considered the application and instructed the Clerk to make the following observations to the Planning Dept:

The council is concerned that;

- i. There is a history of subsidence on this site which could seriously affect any property built thereon;
- ii. Additional housing at this site may adversely affect the water pressure and, therefore, supply to the existing dwellings, as well as to the new builds;
- iii. There may well be issues with mains drainage;
- iv. The construction of five additional driveways on an already dangerous stretch of road will present a further danger to pedestrians and drivers alike.

55/23 Training Courses for Councillors

All members of the council had been sent details of CALC training courses from September to December 2023 and these were commended. Broughton Moor Parish Council is a member of CALC and, as such, can access training at a reduced rate. Councillors to inform the Clerk of any course they wish to attend.

56/23 Environmental Issues in the Village

Nothing new this month.

57/23 Community Centre

- i. One quote for the damp course, dry rot treatment and kitchen revamp, fixing the roof, and replacing the toilet floor had been received, one other expected soon. It was agreed that Crozier Construction also be asked to submit a quote.
(Cllr S Davies left the meeting at this point, 8.00pm)
- ii. The MacMillan Coffee morning had raised £326.00.
- iii. It was agreed that a quarterly newsletter giving details of events, would be useful.
- iv. All preparation was underway for the Halloween Party to be held on Friday 27th October 5.30pm – 7.00pm.
- v. Christmas Craft Fayre, Saturday 18th November. 23 stalls had confirmed attendance. Cllr Howsen to run 'Guess the weight of the cake' and 'name the Highland Cow' competitions with proceeds to be given to Owl Blue, a local autism charity, which is to be the nominated charity for this event.
- vi. Christmas Event Monday 4th December.
Cllr D Scott to order 18' tree from Patersons. Cllrs Scott and Howsen to check with Lisa and Edd re siting the tree, and to be ask whether they wish to be reimbursed for the electricity used, or a donation to a charity of their choice.
Tivoli have confirmed they will erect and dismantle the tree free of charge as their contribution to the village celebration.
Forest School children to make willow stars to hang on the tree and a large willow star for the top.
Father Christmas has confirmed he can attend again this year. School has confirmed there are 70 pupils on roll. B & M will give staff discount on selection boxes, as they did last year. 100 to be ordered.
- vii. Carols by Candlelight – date changed Friday 15th December 5.00pm. Details to follow.

58/23 Jobs for the handyman

Nothing new this month.

59/23 Correspondence

The following items of correspondence were received:

- i. Notification from Cumberland Council of payment of the second half of the 2023/24 Precept.
- ii. Letter from Mrs Christine Ashcroft giving details of this year's Remembrance Services.
- iii. Information from GDF Partnership confirming that Allerdale has been taken out of consideration for a Nuclear Depository.
- iv. Letter from Mr Conor Cooke re possible development of an all-weather football facility at the site of the old tennis courts. Clerk to reply that the Parish Council warmly welcomed his proposal and to ask for further details relating to funding, maintenance and fencing. It was hoped that this project could be taken forward.

60/23 Cheques to be issued:

The following were agreed for payment:

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| 101942 | J P Cleaners | £ 18.75 |
| 101943 | Tivoli Group Ltd | £ 815.69 |
| 101494 | HMRC | £ 26.92 |
| 101945 | Rev J Morgan | £ 488.71 |
| 101496 | E-oN Next (Gas) | £ 75.49 |
| 101497 | C Howsen (reimbursements) | £ 122.06 |

Date of next meeting: Thursday 23rd November 2023 at 7.00pm

The meeting closed at 8.36pm

Signed _____ Chairman Date _____