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Mr A Waite (462922) Mr R Lord (464034) Mrs S Glover (462383) Mr D Howarth (463304) Mrs S Kelly (465343)

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 5th February 2015, at 7.45 pm in the Buccleuch Hall, Lindal.

Present:-Councillors Mr A Waite; Mr R Lord; Mrs S Glover; Mr D Howarth; Mrs S Kelly.

Also present: 4 members of the public were present.

In attendance:-

PCSO L Johns, Cumbria Constabulary.
District Councillor Ann Thurlow.
(Apologies from county/district councillor Barry Doughty)

11/15 Urgent business. Items normally needing to be publicised but received too late for the agenda. (Section 100B (4) (b) Local Government Act 1972)

None.

12/15 Disclosure of interests. Requests for dispensations.

None

13/15 Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 8th January, 2015.

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 8th January 2015 were taken as read and APPROVED.

PROPOSED:- Councillor Mrs S Glover: SECONDED:- Councillor Mrs S Kelly.
Carried unanimously.

14/15 Matters arising from those minutes.

8/15 (b) The Clerk confirmed that he had been in touch with Barrow Council with a request that it provides the tree lights in future for Marton's Christmas Tree. The matter would be considered nearer the time but it had been pointed out that there was no budget for such expenditure.

15/15 Attendance of officer from Cumbria Constabulary.

PCSO Johns reported that there had been no criminal incidents in the Parish during January although there had been one example of anti-social behaviour.

Reference was made to the data from the last use of SID (Speed Indicator Device) in the Parish which suggested that whilst the 85th percentile was below the speed limit, there had still been examples of motorists exceeding the limit. Further monitoring had taken place with officers using laser speed detectors but at that particular time no speeding had been detected.

After further discussion, it was agreed that PCSO Johns would ask her colleagues to conduct further checks.

16/15 Planning applications relating to the Parish. Decisions relating to previous applications

- a) B21/2014/0379. Sunny Brae, Snipe Ghyll, Marton. Application re demolition of outbuildings and erection of replacements. The application had been refused but allowed on appeal. NOTED.
- b) B27/2014/0834. Scale Bank Farm, Marton. The application to convert a barn to a house had been allowed. NOTED.

17/15 Correspondence.

- a) Planning applications relating to the whole of the Borough. NOTED.
- b) Insurance requirements, defibrillator, Buccleuch Hall. The Clerk reported that he had received a query from an insurance broker and that he was looking into the matter.
- c) One-way working, lane to side of Hempland Cottages, Lindal. The slow progress of this development was NOTED with completion still not anticipated until March/April.
- d) Barrow Council minutes, 15.10.14 - 6.1.15. NOTED.
- e) Information from Headteacher of LAMPS – new building developments. NOTED.
- f) Morecambe Bay Partnership. Volunteering opportunities, including footpath clearance at Greenodd, 10/11th February. (see Lindal Notice Board). NOTED.
- g) EM Highways Services. (Highways Agency). New gantry sign, A590 - Dalton bypass, for traffic information. NOTED.
- h) Community Information and Safety. (including product re-calls etc.)
A warning that householders should ensure that all appliances are registered with the manufacturer (www.registermyappliance.org.uk)
(All such notices are displayed on the Lindal notice board.)

18/15 Finance.

- a) Account balances:- *Current* - £50: *Festivals* - £1000.62: *Reserve* - £2182.67.
- b) Petty cash. The Clerk submitted a request for his petty cash to be reimbursed, in the sum of £30.81. It was PROPOSED by Councillor Mrs Glover and SECONDED by Councillor Mrs Kelly that such amount be duly approved. Carried unanimously.

19/15 Any Other Business.

- a) Councillor Howarth referred to a problem previously reported to him regarding suspected road subsidence in Low Farm Close, Lindal. Despite several approaches to Cumbria Highways he had only recently been assured that someone would look at the problem “next time they were passing”.
- b) *From the floor* the question of the National Grid’s proposals regarding a new electricity distribution network (*see minute 95/14, October 2014*) was raised, with concerns being expressed, in particular, about the proposed pylons. The Chairman agreed that the matter could be discussed but pointed out that the Council’s decision in October had been to support the broad principle of running pylons through the Parish whilst reserving its position in respect of the Grid’s final proposals. He also confirmed that the consultation period had ended on 28th November 2014 and that further comment would not be appropriate until any revised proposals were available for assessment.

However, *from the floor*, the point was stressed that the suggested pylons would be much bigger than most people anticipated and that the visual impact would be considerable. It also appeared that the National Grid would still be able to accept any additional comments.

After further discussion it was PROPOSED by Councillor Mrs Glover and SECONDED by Councillor Lord that the matter be placed on the agenda for the March meeting when formal consideration could be given to whether or not the Council should amend, or add to its original decision. Carried unanimously.

20/15 Date and Time of Next Meeting.

The DATE and TIME of the next meeting, was AGREED as **Thursday, 5th March 2015**, at 7.45 pm in the Buccleuch Hall, Lindal.

(All residents of the Parish are reminded that the Council meetings are open to the public and that all are welcome to attend.)