

MINUTES OF THE 365th MEETING OF ASKAM AND IRELETH PARISH COUNCIL, TUESDAY 14 MAY 2024 AT 7.30 PM IN THE COMMUNITY CENTRE, DUKE STREET, ASKAM

Present: Members of the Parish Council Councillors Bill Wilson, Vice Chairman, Alan Mason, Mike Cumming, Sandra Hadwick, Rebecca Knagg, Susan Orrell, Elisabeth Donachie. Clerk Mrs Janice Cumming, W&F Councillor Daniel Edwards, PCSO Kirkham.

1/05/24: DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST None

2/05/24: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Cllr Harry Barker and W&F Cllr Ben Shirley.

3/05/24: PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

3/05/24/1: Access Road, Greenscoe. Concerns raised regarding the road surface at Greenscoe, the road to the quarry. The Clerk has sent details to Highways reporting system.

3/05/24/2: Saves Lane. Contact from resident regarding the poor state of road at Saves Lane. The resident has contacted Highways and some potholes have been filled. The Clerk asked that the parish councillors could report potholes and faded road markings either on HIAMs or send to the Clerk. Cllr Bill Wilson mentioned the road junction markings at Parklands Drive/Turnstone. The Clerk would report this.

3/05/24/3: Grass Cutting in Askam and Ireleth. Concerns raised about the W&F grass cutting in Askam and Ireleth. The Clerk contacted W&F and grass cutting was carried out last Friday. Areas that were missed will hopefully be done in the near future.

3/05/24/4: Marsh Street. Comments received regarding the number of scrap vehicles at Marsh Street. Councillor Daniel Edwards will contact Environmental Health regarding this.

4/05/24: APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 16 APRIL 2024

These were approved and agreed as a true and accurate record and were signed by the Vice Chairman.

Proposed Cllr Rebecca Knagg

Seconded Cllr Bill Wilson

Agreed

5/05/24: PROGRESS REPORTS AND UPDATES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

5/05/24/1: Community Field. Cllr Mike Cumming has received 2 quotations for reinstating the land where the police pod was situated. Aqua ProJet £870.00 and Colin Roberts landscapes £1200.00. It was agreed to accept the quotation from Aqua ProJet and Cllr Cumming will contact them.

5/05/24/2: Coastal Erosion. Councillor Edwards had contacted W&F council regarding the concerns raised regarding coastal erosion to the West side of Askam Pier, he has not received any updates.

6/05/24: ANNUAL ACCOUNTING CERTIFICATE AGAR 2023/24 – PART 3

Cllr Mike Cumming presented the annual accounting certificate, which had been sent to the parish council prior to the meeting. This was agreed and accepted by the parish council. This will be signed by the Chairman.

Proposed Cllr Bill Wilson

Seconded Cllr Alan Mason

Agreed

7/05/24: ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

The parish council were asked to review and approve this document, which had been sent to each councillor prior to the meeting. This was agreed unanimously and would be signed by the Chairman.

Proposed Cllr Susan Orrell

Seconded Cllr Rebecca Knagg

Agreed

8/05/24: ACCOUNTING STATEMENT 2023/24

The parish council were asked to review and approve this document, which had been sent to each councillor prior to the meeting. This was agreed unanimously and would be signed by the Chairman.

Proposed Cllr Elisabeth Donachie

Seconded Cllr Bill Wilson

Agreed

9/05/24: STANDING ORDERS, FINANCIAL REGULATIONS & RISK REGISTER 2024

These were agreed and accepted.

Proposed Cllr Alan Mason

Seconded Cllr Mike Cumming

Agreed

10/05/24: REPORT FROM BARROW NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICE TEAM

PCSO Kirkham gave an update. Since the last meeting there had been 1 RTC and 2 Highway issues, criminal damage to a residential property and an assault without injury. Cllr Wilson thanked PCSO Kirkham for the report and for attending the meeting on behalf of the neighbourhood police team.

11/05/24: TO REPORT AND DISCUSS PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Cllr Alan Mason reported on the planning applications received by the parish council.

Reference Number : B16/2024/0255 **Location :** Co-op, 3 - 9 Duke Street Askam-In-Furness Cumbria LA16 7AA **Proposal :** Replacement of refrigeration plant and general decoration works. The parish council were pleased that the Co-Op are investing in their business in Askam, but the parish council would like to know how long it will be closed and if any alternative provision has been made while the work is being carried out.

Notification of and Consultation on an Application for Planning Permission County Matter Application for Minerals and/or Waste Development Application Reference Number:6/24/9002 Proposal: Section 73 planning application to amend conditions 1 and 2 of planning permission 6/19/9005 to extend the timescale for restoration of the site from 30 June 2022 to 30 June 2024 and for the continued operation of the clinical waste transfer facility until 30 June 2024 or completion of restoration whichever is the sooner. Location: Bennett Bank Landfill Site Hawthwaite Lane Barrow-in-Furness Cumbria. This was discussed and there were no objections.

12/05/24: UPDATE FROM WESTMORLAND AND FURNESS COUNCILLOR

Councillor Daniel Edwards reported that a new litter bin had been installed by W&F near the Duddon Inshore Rescue Boathouse. Cllr Edwards had been in contact with Mark Hodgkiss regarding the bus service consultation and put forward suggested on how to improve the service for Askam and Ireleth. Cllr Edwards would continue trying to get a response regarding the coastal erosion on Askam beach. He had also responded to the application for Askam Co-Op.

13/05/24: REPORT FROM CLERK (INCLUDING FINANCES)

The monthly expenditure spread sheet was made available to the councillors. This was agreed and accepted.

Proposed Cllr Rebecca Knagg

Seconded Cllr Bill Wilson

Agreed

The Clerk reported that this year's precept had been received, which was shown on the monthly expenditure sheet.

14/05/24: CORRESPONDENCE

All correspondence sent to the parish councillors prior to the meeting. Invitation for the Chairman to attend Barrow Town Council Mayoral Civic Sunday on 23rd June 2024. The Clerk would speak to the Chairman regarding this.

15/05/24: SANCTIONS FOR PAYMENT

Internal auditor Roger Brailsford £50.00, CALC Annual Membership £551.35, Zurich Annual Public Liability Insurance£1547.05, Aqua ProJet Monthly landscape and maintenance Contract £866.15, Annual Microsoft 365 Subscription £79.99, Envelopes £2.00, Completing Annual Accounts £193.20

16/05/24: DATE, TIME, AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 18 June 2024 at 7.30pm in the Community Centre, Duke Street, Askam.

Signed Dated