

MINUTES OF THE 329th MEETING OF ASKAM AND IRELETH PARISH COUNCIL, HELD TUESDAY 19 JANUARY 2021 AT 7.15PM VIA ZOOM

Due to the Covid 19 Pandemic the parish council are unable to hold a public meeting. A meeting of the parish council was again held via Zoom. Members of the public are invited to attend.

Present: Members of the Parish Council: Harry Barker, Chairman, Bill Wilson, Vice Chairman, Parish Councillor Mike Cumming, Alan Mason, Sandra Hadwick, Steve Smalley and, Susan Orrell; Borough Councillor & County Councillor Ben Shirley, Borough Councillor Daniel Edwards; Clerk Mrs Janice Cumming.

1/01/21: DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

None

2/01/21: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

PCSO Louise Perry, Borough Councillor Sam Ronson.

3/01/21: PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

None

4/01/21: APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 15 DECEMBER 2020

These were approved and agreed as a true and accurate record and will be signed and dated by the Chairman.

Proposed Cllr Alan Mason
Agreed

Seconded Cllr Bill Wilson

5/01/21: PROGRESS AND UPDATES FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

5/01/21/1: Coastal Erosion, Marsh Street. There have been no further updates. Cllr Ben Shirley will send a chase up email.

Action Cllr Shirley

5/01/21/2: Parking Issues at Ireleth St Peter's School. Cllr Ben Shirley has made recommendations to Highways, including the suggestion from the Clerk that they move the flashing lights further down Ireleth Hill.

Ongoing

5/01/21/3: Land at the rear of Sharp Street. The Clerk contacted Modlar Limited with the comments made by the parish council at the last meeting. There has been no further contact.

Closed

5/01/21/4: Community Speed Watch. Contact has been made by PC Greg Howard of the Police Proactive team. PC Howard offered to come along and carrying out training with the team. Obviously with the lockdown this has been put on hold. When the training can be rearranged the questions asked at the last parish council will be put to PC Howard.

Action Cllr

Smalley

5/01/21/5: Budget and Precept. The Clerk has responded to Barrow BC.

Closed

5/01/21/6: Donation to North West Air Ambulance. The Clerk gave a cheque to Mr and Mrs Graham. Cllr Bill Wilson has spoken to them and they were pleased with the donation and thanked the parish council. The Christmas display was a huge success and most popular. Cllr Wilson said that Tom and Jane showed great community spirit in providing the displays for the community to enjoy. This was agreed by all.

Closed

6/01/21: REPORT FROM POLICE AND ROAD TRAFFIC MATTERS

Crime Report for December sent in by PCSO Louise Perry. 1 anti-social behaviour 19/12 Fallowfield Road eggs thrown at windows; 4 assaults 7/12 Common assault residents at Hawthwaite House, 5/12 assault causing actual bodily harm, domestic related, Sharp

Street; 24/12 assault x 2 on Police Officers at Roanhead beach; 0 Burglary; 2 Criminal damage 17/12 damage to 2 windows at Urofoam, 23/12 damage to 2 windows at Urofoam; 1 Drugs 29/12 1 arrest on Dalton Road, possession of cannabis with intent to supply. Search carried out at home address, number of cannabis plants removed; 1 Harassment re social media, Dunnerholme; 1 Theft 2 x rings from resident at the Old Vicarage; 1 Public Order Section 4, resident at Hawthwaite House posting photos on Snapchat; 0 Sexual offences; 1 Other 8/12 Malicious communications domestic related.

7/01/21 TO REPORT ON AND DISCUSS ANY PLANNING ISSUES - CLLR SUSAN ORRELL

B18/2020/0854 Location: Netherclose, Tippins Lane, Ireleth Askam-in-Furness

Proposal: Erection of a steel frame building for personal vehicle storage and ground care machinery. There were no objections or comments. The Clerk was asked to respond.

Action Clerk

8/01/21: GRIT BINS, PARISH OF ASKAM AND IRELETH

Cllr Alan Mason reported that during the recent cold spell he had received complaints from residents regarding the lack of grit bins around Ireleth. The Clerk had also received complaints from a resident of Steel Street. A resident from Greenscoe reported that the grit bin at the top of the lane had not been re-filled. Cllr Mason has checked the grit bins, most have been re-filled, but the one at Common Hest, Saves Lane is still empty. The Clerk will report this via the County Council website. Cllr Ben Shirley has raised the issue of extra grit bins with Cumbria Highways.

Action Cllr Shirley

9/01/21: UPDATE ON DOCTORS SURGERY

Cllr Harry Barker gave an update on work at the surgery. Work to the building is going ahead, a new rear access/emergency door is being fitted, some replacement windows and internal plastering. Duddon Valley Medical Practice are also carrying out alterations to the inside of the surgery. Cllr Mike Cumming reported that phonelines have been installed and broadband due Friday 22 January. It was hoped that the surgery would be operational by mid to late February. There would be a press release when an opening date is confirmed. The parish council again thanked the Save the Surgery Team, particularly Cllr Harry Barker.

10/01/21: UPDATE FROM BOROUGH AND COUNTY COUNCILLOR

Cllr Susan Orrell contacted Cllr Ben Shirley regarding the 'Keep Clear' box markings at Askam railway crossing. Cllr Shirley has spoken to Cumbria Highways who are liaising with Network Rail regarding this work. It is hoped that a date will be confirmed within a month.

Cllr Shirley has received a complaint about the poor condition of the toilets at Ireleth Cemetery. Cllr Shirley has been in contact with Rev'd Ruth Crossley regarding this.

11/01/21: CORRESPONDENCE

All correspondence sent to the parish councillors prior to the meeting via email. There were no questions or comments.

12/01/21: REPORT FROM CLERK INCLUDING FINANCES

All parish councillors were sent a copy of the monthly finance spreadsheet. This was accepted and agreed.

Proposed Cllr Bill Wilson
Agreed

Seconded Cllr Steven Smalley

13/01/21: SANCTIONS FOR PAYMENT

Donation to North West Air Ambulance £100.00, Biscuits and Sweets for residents and staff at The Old Vicarage £39.50, Aqua Projet monthly landscaping and maintenance £570.84.

14/01/21: DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 16 February 2021 at 7.15 pm via Zoom

Signed Harry Barker, Chairman

Dated 16 February 2021