

BOTHEL AND THREAPLAND PARISH COUNCIL

At the Meeting of Bothel & Threapland Parish Council held at the Village Hall, Bothel on Tuesday 8th January, 2019 commencing at 7.30 p.m.

Present:

S. Austin
K. Nelson
R. Teasdale
N. Todhunter (Chair)
R. Watson

Also Present:

A Bowness, Cumbria County Councillor
J Mounsey, Allerdale Borough Councillor
J. Rae (Clerk)

70. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. G. Bowe and M. Story.

71. MINUTES OF THE MEETING 13 NOVEMBER 2018

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 13th November 2018 were agreed as a true record and were signed by the Chairman.

72. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thanks are to be recorded to Margaret Robinson, Sarah Graham and Amy Campbell for their assistance in raising awareness and encouraging Bothel residents to respond to the public consultation on the proposed A595 Improvements. The Clerk was requested to contact Cumbria County Council for details of the number of responses received and a timeframe as to when the feedback from the consultation will be available.

A letter of thanks had been received from The Binsey Team Ministry for the Parish Councils donation of £300 towards the production costs of the Binsey Link.

A letter of thanks had been received from the Great North Air Ambulance Service for the Parish Council's donation of £200.00

A letter of thanks had been received from Citizens Advice Allerdale for the Parish Council's donation of £50.00.

73. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Watson declared an interest in matters relating to the Village Hall.

74. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The following matter was raised:

As the telephone box on Broadwell Green now houses a defibrillator and the telephone has been decommissioned can the telephone sign at the entrance to the village be removed and if possible be replaced with a defibrillator sign. The Clerk agreed to submit this request to Cumbria County Council.

75. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MEETING 13 NOVEMBER 2018

None

76. REPORTS

- (a) Allerdale Borough Councillor: Cllr Mounsey reported the planning application at Skiddaw View Caravan Park had now been approved and the Borough Council's Executive Committee will be discussing the viability of the new stadium in Workington at its meeting next week.

- (b) Cumbria County Councillor: Cllr Bowness reported that Cumbria County Council had been awarded additional funding to be used on highway repairs. The additional funding is to be used by the end of this financial year. Cllr Bowness also reported on the Working Together Programme.
- (c) Cumbria Police: The report from PCSO Megan Jones setting out the incidents that had occurred in the area in December had been circulated prior to the meeting.

77. COMMUNITY FUND

No new matters to report.

78. FINANCE

- (a) The financial report as at 31st December 2018 was circulated for Members information.

Bank Balance 31st December, 2018

HSBC £ 3,836.42
CBS £49,226.92

- (b) Payment of Accounts – RESOLVED that the following accounts were authorised for payment:

Clerk's account Quarter 3	£531.68
HMRC PAYE Quarter 3	£102.60

79. CORRESPONDENCE

The list of correspondence received since the last meeting was circulated with the agenda and noted by Members.

Cumbria Community Foundation - News from Cumbria Community Foundation
 CALC December newsletter
 CALC United Utilities Presentation at Autumn 3 tier meeting
 CALC Buckingham Palace Garden Parties 2019 - 21st May 2019 - Allocation 4 places – It was agreed that Cllr Watson should be nominated this year.
 West Cumbria Supplies Project - December 2018 Update
 CALC - Cumbria Strategic Flood Partnership request for contacts for local flood groups
 CALC - Draft Minutes Allerdale Annual Meeting September 2018
 Allerdale Borough Council Budget 2019/20 and Priorities Consultation – It was agreed to respond to the consultation opposing the increase in council tax and fees and charges and questioning why the Borough Council had already spent £800,000 on the stadium project at Workington but does not have a budget for footway lighting in rural parishes.
 Allerdale BC - Footway lights letter
 MP's Office - Agenda - A596 Meeting
 CALC - November edition CALC Newsletter

80. PLANNING

- (a) Applications received:

None

- (b) Decisions:

2/2018/0382 – Skiddaw View Holiday Park, Bothel
 Proposed change of use of land to permit the siting of 30 additional caravans (extending existing caravan site)

FULL PLANS APPROVED

81. HIGHWAYS

Highway Maintenance – The following matters were reported:

Pot holes/road surfacing breaking up on Bank Lonning
Cllr Bowness was asked to make enquiries at the County Council when the remedial work to cover the opened drains on the A595 will be completed.

82. GRASS CUTTING CONTRACT 2019

The tender for the 2019 season was discussed. It was agreed that tenders would be invited for the following:

Pinfold Green – Maximum 8 cuts (the area owned by Cumbria County Council to be excluded)

Broadwell Green – Maximum 8 cuts

Threapland Village Green – Maximum 8 cuts

Bothel Village Hall (Inside the Boundary) – Maximum 8 cuts

Bothel Village Hall (Outside the Boundary) – Maximum 3 cuts

The usual contractors would be invited to tender and a notice displayed on the notice boards and in the Binsey Link. Tenders to be received no later than 11th March to be considered at the next meeting.

83. TRANSFER OF FOOTWAY LIGHTING TO TOWN/PARISH COUNCILS

Members noted the contents of the letter from the Borough Council regarding the proposed transfer of footway lighting to Town and Parish Councils. The work to establish ownership and numbers of lights owned by ABC and CCC in each town or parish should be completed by June 2019. The Borough Council's proposal will be to ask the parish council to pick up the energy cost of the lights from April 2020 and maintenance from April 2021. CALC had advised that Parish Councils cannot be forced to take on the lighting. It is unclear at the moment what the position will be if the parish council is unwilling to take over the responsibility for the lights.

84. PINFOLD GREEN

No update regarding the registration of Pinfold Green had been received from Cumbria County Council.

85. VILLAGE HALL

No matters to report.

86. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 12th March, 2019

The meeting closed at 8.31 p.m.

Signed.....Date.....