

Draft Minutes for May 2021

BLAWITH & SUBBERTHWAITE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 17 May 2021
Village Hall, Water Yeat

Christine Adams is acting as interim Clerk

Present Cllr D Rutherford, Cllr G Wardle and Cllr B Fox

001/21 Apologies

Resolved that there are no apologies for absence.

002/21 Public Participation

A message from R Sanderson was read out expressing his disappointed that he was no longer eligible to stand as a parish Cllr due to changes in his personal circumstances.

003/21 Minutes

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 12th April 2021 to be signed by the chair as a true record.

004/21 Declaration of Interests

Cllr Fox declared an interest in the Village Hall.

005/21 Requests for Dispensations

There were no requests for dispensation.

006/21 Planning Applications/ Development Matters (and to ratify observations already submitted)

a) **Applications**

There were no planning applications for consideration.

b) **Notifications**

There were no notifications

Ongoing Planning & Development issues

- Enforcement notice: Moss Wood E/2018/0265

J Birkett from LDNPA had sent an email with a brief update advising that the case on the site is still open but things are taking longer to fully resolve as they would like. They had visited the site on 17 March 2021 and the condition of the land and items stored was very similar to the previous visits with the exception of two white vans. There was no one on site at the time of the visit. They will contact the land owner about the use of the land for storage of vehicles as it is in breach of the enforcement notice issued. If anyone sees or hears activity which make people believe that people are living on the site then they should let Julie Know.

- Great Burney

Cllr Rutherford reported that they are waiting for a report from Cumbria County Council to report back with he final document which will then be circulated to interested parties.

- BT Phone Box
BT are threatening to take away the phone box after telling us they were keeping it.
Cllr Rutherford will write to BT and request that they leave the phone box where it is as whilst it may not be used very often, it is the only phone box between Blawith and Coniston or Blawith and Greenodd.

007/21 To consider Financial and Governance Matters

Resolved that the following payments are authorised:

- a) Village Hall rent - £15 per month
- b) Cllr D Rutherford be reimbursed for £9.75 for printing & postage
- c) There was a financial statement showing last year against this year showing a small surplus. This was due to reduce clerk wages and no hall fees
- d) The Exemption from External Audit form was given to Cllr Rutherford along with other financial documents. This needs to go to the internal auditor and then on the next agenda for signature
- e) It was note that the precept has been received from SLDC.

008/21 To receive and consider Correspondence

Correspondence has been distributed or included in the agenda or dealt with where possible before the meeting.

009/21 To receive Reports/updates on:

- a) Coniston Water Association
Cllr Rutherford attended some of the virtual meeting and shared some of the points from the minutes.
- b) Green Lanes and Speaker for June meeting
Cllr Rutherford requested that members consider questions for the speaker at the meeting.
- c) SLDC Climate Change
SLDC are taking this very seriously and have a target of becoming carbon neutral by 2030 They have an action plan which includes converting lorries to electric and putting solar panels on their buildings.
- d) Superfast Broadband
It was noted that there was no update from the County Cllr regarding B4RN. Consideration was given to the responses from NALC regarding the Communications Infrastructure and the Rural Broadband Consultations. The Parish Council are in agreement with the NALC responses and note how important these issues are and that responses should be submitted to ensure that providers are subject to planning rules and regulations.

010/21 Appointment of new clerk

Copies of documents were handed out to members and the interim clerk.

Resolved that the interim clerk Christine Adams was appointed permanent clerk.

011/21 To review transfer of website to new provider

Cllr Rutherford gave an update on the progress of the new website. The parish council expressed their gratitude to Celia for all her efforts and agreed to pay the £37 annual charge for the site each year and the initial 99p to secure the domain name. Cllr Rutherford and the clerk will contact Celia.

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To receive updates on/ discuss and agree any actions on:

- a) Local verges and potholes road to Cockenshell – no report.
- b) Great Cumbrian Litter Pick – Cllr Rutherford is planning to take part in the litter pick going to Brown Howe and Blea Brows
- c) Brown Howe trees and paths – LDNPA have removed the tree and the paths are on their list of things to be done.

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Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be on 14 June at 7.00pm in the Village Hall at Water Yeat.