

**STANWIX RURAL PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of a Meeting Held on Wednesday 10 November 2021 at 7:30pm in the**  
**Village Hall, Houghton**

**PRESENT**

The Chairman Cllr C Nicholson, Cllr's A Coles, A Lightfoot, D Milburn, H Phillips, C Savory and N Watson.

**IN ATTENDANCE**

City Cllr's P Nedved, E Mallinson and F Robson. County Cllr J Mallinson. Two members of the public and the Clerk, S Kyle.

**SR 126/11/21 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

No apologies for absence were received.

**SR 127/11/21 MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 13 OCTOBER 2021**

**Resolved** to authorise the Chairman to sign, as a true and accurate record, the minutes of the last meeting of the Council.

**SR 128/11/21 REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr Phillips declared an interest in matters relating to Houghton Wildlife Group, being involved in their establishment. Cllr Lightfoot declared an interest in any matter relating to Houghton Village Hall, being a member of their Management Committee. Cllr Coles declared an interest in matters relating to Eden Gate, being a resident of the estate.

**SR 129/11/21 CO-OPTION OF NEW COUNCILLOR**

**Resolved** to co-opt Mr D Milburn to the Parish Council with immediate effect. Cllr Milburn completed his Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

**SR 130/11/21 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

One member of the public was in attendance to note a planning appeal relating to planning application 20/0692, requesting that the Parish Council write to the Planning Inspectorate to reiterate its concerns.

One member of the public was in attendance to update Cllr's regarding planning application 19/0452 at Brunstock, noting that since the last Parish Council meeting, he had been informed by Carlisle City Council that as the permission granted was deemed legally valid, a meeting had taken place between the City Council and the developer to consider available options. He stated that an official complaint had been lodged and expressed concerns regarding the objectivity of the investigation due to it being carried out by persons subject of the complaint. He noted a complaint to the Local Government Ombudsman was pending. Further, he reported a site meeting he had held with a Planning Officer and that matters relating to surface water being pumped from the site were also reported. The passing of a further non-material planning application was also noted, with no response to objections raised by the resident. City Cllr E Mallinson reiterated support for the resident and thanked Cllr Nicholson

for the very carefully worded letter of support that had been sent, following the last Parish Council meeting.

*One member of the public left the meeting at 8.08pm.*

County Cllr J Mallinson noted that previously raised concerns regarding drainage in Houghton had been considered by Highways and that a team would return with the gully wagon to ensure the Highways drains are clear on Houghton Road. Cllr Coles noted that the drains between Gladwin Drive and the Police site could benefit from a visit also.

City Cllr E Mallinson noted that she had attended a meeting with Cumbria Police, who had committed to monitor ongoing anti-social behavioural complaints in Houghton.

City Cllr P Nedved noted that the Enforcement Office was continuing to monitor the deterioration of The Near Boot. He also noted that the Friends of Rickerby Park were looking for new members.

### **SR 131/11/21 PLANNING MATTERS**

#### **131.1 Responses Submitted Prior to the Meeting**

**Resolved** to ratify submitted responses, which had been previously circulated to all Cllr's and are available on the Carlisle City Council website, to the following planning applications:

**21/0951 Land to the rear of South View, The Green, Houghton, Carlisle, CA3 0LN** - Erection of Agricultural Building (Revision to Application 14/0678/Part Retrospective)

**21/0807 25 The Green, Houghton, Carlisle, CA3 0NF** - Raising of Roof to Provide First Floor Accommodation Comprising 1no. En-Suite Bedroom, 2no. Bedrooms and Bathroom, Together with Reconfiguration of Ground Floor Accommodation; Widening of Existing Vehicular Access

**21/0762 The Park, Rickerby, Carlisle, CA3 9AA** - Change of Use of Barns from Residential Use in Association with The Park to Provide 2no. Dwellings

**21/0970 Park Lodge, High Knells, Houghton, Carlisle, CA6 4JW** - Demolition of Existing Conservatory & Erection of Single Storey Sunroom to Rear Elevation

**21/0988 Lea Cottage, Linstock, Carlisle, CA6 4PZ** - Demolition of Existing Single Storey Lean-To Extension and Erection of Two Storey Side & Single Storey Rear Extension to Provide Kitchen, Dining Room, Utility and WC On Ground Floor With 2no. Bedrooms Above (Revised Application)

#### **131.2 To consider new applications received:**

**21/0064/S211 Thorn Farm, Tarraby, Carlisle, CA3 0JS** - Removal Of 1no. Mature Ash Tree in Tarraby Conservation Area

**Resolved** that the application be determined in accordance with national and local planning policy and guidance.

**21/0999 14 The Nurseries, Linstock, Carlisle, CA6 4RR** - Conversion of Garage to Provide Additional Living Accommodation and First Floor Extension Above Garage to Provide En-Suite Bedroom

**Resolved** that the application be determined in accordance with national and local planning policy and guidance.

**21/1011 Eden Grove, Crosby on Eden, Carlisle, CA6 4QJ** - Change of Use of Dwelling to Holiday Let

**Resolved** that the application be determined in accordance with national and local planning policy and guidance.

### **131.3 To Note Planning Permission Decisions Received**

**Resolved** to note the following planning decision notices:

#### ***Permission Notices Received***

**21/0930 Gosling Sike Farm, Houghton Road, Houghton, Carlisle, CA3 0LD** - Erection Of 1no. Polytunnel & 1no. Greenhouse

**21/0727 Land at Eden Croft, Green Lane, Crosby on Eden, Carlisle, CA6 4QN** - Retention of Works Involving the Conversion and Extension of Barn to Create 1no. Dwelling (Revised Application, LBC)

#### ***Refusal Notices Received***

**21/0299 South View, The Green, Houghton, Carlisle, CA3 0LN** - Change of Use of Former Equestrian Manege to Vehicle Storage Area (Retrospective)

### **132.4 Town and Country Planning (Appeals) (Written Representations Procedure) Regulations 2000 20/0692 Land adjacent to Shortdale Cottage, Tarraby Lane, Tarraby, Carlisle, CA3 0JT**

**Resolved** to write to the Planning Inspectorate, reiterating the earlier submission by the Parish Council.

### **132.5 Planning Application 19/0452 – L/A Croft House, Brunstock**

All matters had been covered during public participation.

## **SR 133/11/21 VILLAGE MATTERS**

### **133.1 Linstock Goal Posts**

**Resolved** to purchase new goal posts, for use as a leisure and amenity area rather than a football pitch, at a total cost of £547.60 including VAT, plus delivery and installation.

### **133.2 Houghton Wildlife Group**

It was reported that ongoing contact between Cumbria Wildlife Trust and Carlisle City Council had resulted in the signing of an agreement directly between the two parties, which will enable Houghton Wildlife Group to commence planting and maintenance works in the Tribune Drive amenity land area. An on-site meeting involving representatives from all three parties will be arranged in due course. Thanks were offered to City Cllr P Nedved for his assistance in the conclusion being reached on time

for the grant funders, and thanks were also noted to Cllr Phillips for his ongoing work on the project.

### **133.3 Eden Gate**

It was noted that anti-social behaviour remains an ongoing problem.

**Resolved** to write to Cumbria Constabulary to request an increased police presence in Houghton.

### **133.4 Houghton Tyre Storage**

A photograph showing dumped tyres in large quantities in Houghton had been previously circulated to all members. It was reported that the area was unknown to Carlisle City Council.

**Resolved** to write to Environmental Health and request that they resolve the issue with the landowner.

## **SR 134/11/21 ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

### **134.1 Tribune Drive Amenity Land Lease**

A draft lease had been received by the Parish Council and had been considered by the Finance/Risk working group prior to the meeting.

**Resolved** to not agree to the lease, further to the direct agreement being signed between Carlisle City Council and Cumbria Wildlife Trust.

## **SR 135/11/21 HIGHWAYS MATTERS**

### **135.1 Average Speed Cameras**

It was noted that average speed cameras are due for installation on the A689. A map had been previously circulated to members via email, showing their installation locations.

### **135.2 Jackson Road Parking**

Further consideration was given to the ongoing parking issues and the received request for investigation into a one-way system. County Cllr J Mallinson offered to investigate feasibility of such a system prior to any further discussions that would be held with householders. Concerns regarding road surfacing in Smithy Croft were also raised by County Cllr Mallinson, who is investigating presently.

## **SR 136/11/21 CLERK'S REPORT**

### **Emergency Planning**

A second working group meeting will take place in due course, following City Council led emergency planning sessions.

### **Tarmac, Co-op Lane**

Tolson's have now completed the works.

### **Brunstock Pond**

Works to investigate drainage issues are planned to take place.

### **B6264 HGV Usage**

A response to ongoing correspondence had been received from Cumbria Highways, once again missing the point of the email. A further response, outlining clearly the request being made, will be now sent.

### **Cumbria Transport Infrastructure Plan**

A response was submitted on behalf of the Parish Council.

### **SR 137/11/21 FINANCE MATTERS**

#### **137.1 Payments**

**Resolved** that the following payments be approved:

<b>Payee</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Linstock WI Hall	Rental	£20.00
Sarah Kyle	October salary	£1,277.18
HMRC	October PAYE	£206.44
NEST	October Pension	£96.90
Sarah Kyle	November salary	£1,297.43
HMRC	November PAYE	£206.44
NEST	November Pension	£96.90
D Tolson & Sons	Resurfacing Works	£4,099.32
YPO	Stationery	£15.11
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£7,315.72</b>

#### **138.2 Bank Reconciliation**

**Noted:** Balances at bank as of 31<sup>st</sup> October 2021:

Cash Account	£31,014.05
Unity Bank (current a/c)	£4,888.70
Unity Bank (savings a/c)	£45,977.02
Income to 31/10/21	£50,603.43
Expenditure to 31/10/21	£27,796.73

#### **138.3 FILCA**

**Resolved** to pay £120 towards the Financial Introduction to Local Council Administration qualification for the Clerk.

### **SR 139/11/21 COUNCILLOR MATTERS**

**Cllr Savory** reported the almost illegible restriction signage opposite The Near Boot.

**Cllr Coles** reiterated his concerns regarding the drainage between Gladwin Drive and the Police site; he has reported this directly to Highways.

### **SR 140/11/21 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

**Resolved** that the next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2021 at 7.30pm in Houghton Village Hall. The meeting will take place subject to business to transact, COVID regulations, hall accessibility and member availability at that time. There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.50pm.