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## **Minutes of the Meeting of Blawith and Subberthwaite Parish Council held in the Water Yeat Village Hall on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March, 2016.**

Present: Councillors Ian Jones (Chair), Richard Sanderson (Vice Chair) Eileen Bower, Diana Rutherford, and Bill Fox; the Clerk, Beth Moon; District Cllr Anne Hall; and 1 member of the public.

### **1) Apologies for Absence**

PCSO Paul Harris

### **2) Representations from Members of the Public**

2.a. Vera Grant advised that the sale of Blea Brows to the Rawdon Smith Trust is going ahead. She is awaiting confirmation to come through.

The PC had received an email from LDNP advising that the sale had been agreed.

2.b. Cllr Hall advised that the issue regarding landrovers driving over land close to Cllr Bowers farm was a police matter and that LDNP have no powers at all.

Resolved: Clerk to pass this onto the Commoners.

Cllr Hall attended the recent South Distinctive Area meeting and there is possible funding available from the Sustainability fund (contact Sara Spicer) for PCs or organisations to get funding for things such as projectors. The National Park are keen to move towards PCs viewing planning applications digitally and moving away from paper plans. The Village Hall committee could apply for a projector.

Cllr Rutherford had attended the event on the Walney Extension Fund which will be £300,000 twice yearly. The first round is April-July and it is important to keep applying if not initially successful. Cllr Rutherford advised that whilst B&S are not in the boundary, it is flexible and it may be possible to get grants for things such as path erosion etc. The issue remains open for future discussion. Cllr Hall advised paths in the LDNP are the responsibility of LDNP. and suggested that she could get them to come and meet with the PC to look at paths. No resolution was made.

### **3) The Minutes of the last meeting (8th February, 2016)**

RESOLVED: that the Chairman be authorised to sign the Minutes as a true record.

### **4) Declarations of Interest**

Cllr Fox re Item 7.a.i.

### **5) Requests for Dispensations**

None

### **6) Planning Matters**

6.a. There were no planning applications or notifications received.

6.b. Tanglewood Caravan– see item 10.j.

6.c. Crake Valley Caravan Park – see item 10.k.

6.d. Planning Application SL/2016/0158 – The PC has not received this as an application within their Parish but STARC have asked people to comment as it has connections to the Kirkby wind farm. It relates to a mast on the common to measure wind power that should have been taken down but the application is for an extension.

Resolved: Clerk to send response to SLDC to question why RWE need an extension when the wind farm was turned down; why they are applying for this retrospectively when the deadline for removal has passed and why they need to continue monitoring when they have already been monitoring for 4 years.

## 7) Financial Matters

7.a. The following orders for payments were authorised:

7.a.i. Blawith Village Hall hire - £19

7.a.ii Clerk's salary (March) - £138.11

7.a.iii. Clerk's expenses – (up to & incl 14<sup>th</sup> March, 2016) - £6.39

7.b A current statement of accounts and bank reconciliation was received

## 8) Correspondence

[Email correspondence was distributed as it arrived, included in the Agenda and/or dealt with before the Meeting)

David Khan	Reply to Parish letter	11 Mar
CALC	LDNPA Parish Forum	10 Mar
LDNP	Reply re Tanglewood	9 Mar
Simon Blyth	LAP minutes	7 Mar
Vera Grant	Highways archive info	3 Mar
CALC	Circular	3 Mar
D Malley	PAYE service fee increase	29 Feb
CALC	Freedom of Information	29 Feb
LDNP	Blea Brows sale	29 Feb
Torver Clerk	Re Blea Brows update	29 Feb
Vera Grant	Re Tanglewood correspondence	26 Feb
Neil Seed	Re Tanglewood correspondence	26 Feb
CALC	New website	26 Feb
LDNP	Statement of Community Involvement consultation	26 Feb
SLDC	Queens 90 <sup>th</sup> Birthday beacons	26 Feb
Prepared Media	Whats new in Public Sector today	26 Feb
SLDC	Clean for the Queen	12 Feb
Coniston PC	Agenda & Minutes	9 Feb
Anne Hall	Fwd: CCC South Lakeland Flood Factsheet	9 Feb

## 9) To receive Reports:

9.a. Coniston & Crake Catchment Partnership – Cllr Rutherford will be attending the first training day on 23<sup>rd</sup> April.

9.b. Illegal Off-roading Group – The next meeting is 29<sup>th</sup> March.

9.c. SL District Association – no updates.

9.d. High Furness LAP - next meeting is either 8<sup>th</sup> or 15<sup>th</sup> June (TBC). Cllr Hall had attended the most recent meeting which had been poorly attended.

9.e. Coniston Water Association – no updates

**10) Updates for Ongoing Issues**, actions from the last meeting not covered elsewhere on the Agenda and items for the agenda of the next meeting:

10.a. X12 & X11 Bus Service – Cllr Hall gave an update on the Bus service. There is a new timetable. There is a new service once a week from Barrow-Coniston-Skelwith Bridge-Ambleside. On the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month, the bus runs a service for Ramblers. The bus is looking for new premises. The Friends of X112 got a grant of £1,000 from the Rawdon Smith Trust. The Bus has employed another person with the necessary license in case of illness.

10.b. Superfast Broadband - no updates other than in the news that Ofcom announced that BT will have to pay compensation if they cannot deliver to everyone.

10.c. Community Plan – no developments. Cllr Hall said that it is important to have a community plan. Cllr Jones is going to look at Torver Community Plan.

10.d. Kirkby Moor Wind Farm – no sign of an appeal to the application – the deadline is in May. STARC are to re-brand themselves as “Friends of Kirkby Moor”. See also item 6.d.

10.e. Blea Brows sale – see item 2.

10.f. North West Coast Connections Project – this is open again for consultation but no further updates.

10.g. Highways – No updates from Cllr Fletcher. As per last months meeting, the Clerk had written to the Area Steward with photographs about the bridge and road problems on the U5081. This was a couple of weeks ago.  
Resolved: Clerk to chase up and if no response, to send to Dave Huck. Cllr Jones advised that the A5092 is in a mess near Burlington Slate with a lot of potholes. PCSO Paul Harris had emailed the data to date from the SID at Blawith which showed that the 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed was 40MPH. The maximum speed recorded was 55MPH. He will be placing the SID in the same position but facing the opposite way and after Easter, it will be at Water Yeat.

10.h. Parish Website – Some documents still need to be added. NALC are about to release some new financial regulations which will need to be adopted. Cllr Jones will send the standing orders electronically to the Clerk to add to the website.

10.i. Burlington Slate development – no updates.

10.j. Tanglewood Caravan – A reply had been received from LDNP. Cllr Hall advised that any pursuance of this by LDNP would not stand up to appeal.  
Resolved: Cllr Jones to reply seeking further clarification for the purposes of better understanding of the planning process with regards to caravans/planning permission/curtilage.  
Mr Seed had requested copies of all correspondence relating to his property, which included some correspondence from members of the public. The Clerk had contacted The Information Commissioners Office to get advice on providing copies of correspondence under the Freedom of Information Act and advised on their response and guidance as to exemptions.  
Resolved: To send redacted copies of correspondence to Mr Seed i.e. with personal data removed. Clerk to also forward to Mr Seed the reply Cllr Jones is going to send to LDNP once that is done.  
In connection with Freedom of Information, the Clerk advised that all Councils should have a publication scheme which sets out the commitment to make certain classes of information routinely available. The ICO has a model publication scheme which all public authorities must use.  
Resolved: Clerk to circulate so this can be adopted and put on the website.

10.k. Crake Valley Caravan Park – The Clerk had written to LDNP as per last months meeting. A reply had been received from the Compliance team to say they would be looking into the matter. The letter had been copied to Mr Khan and a response received from him.  
Resolved: Clerk to forward this response to LDNP, acknowledge receipt of Mr Khans letter and forward relevant sections to the Commoners.

## 11. Council Calendar March 2015

29 <sup>th</sup> March	Illegal Off Road Working group	Torver School Rm 2pm
25 <sup>th</sup> April	LDNP Parish Forum	National Park HQ, Murley Moss, Kendal. 7.00 p.m.

8 <sup>th</sup> or 15 <sup>th</sup> June	High Furness LAP	TBC
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**12) Date of Next Meeting:** Confirmed as Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April, 2016, at 7.00, in the Village Hall, Water Yeat.

The meeting closed at 8.55pm