

Staveley with Ings Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 4th March 2024 At the Ayland Pavilion, Staveley – 7.15 p.m.

Present: Cllrs M. Kidd, A. Capstick, L. Long, D. Michel, M. Powell. L. Postlethwaite (Parish Clerk)
Members of the public present: 4

174/23 Apologies: A. Salisbury, Y. Cannon, P. Riley

175/23 Declarations of Interest: None

176/23 Minutes: it was resolved that the Chairman be authorised to sign the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council on **5th February 2024**

177/23 Public Participation:

- A resident of Ings reported that once again there was an increase in traffic speeding away from the 40MPH restriction when travelling towards of Windermere. They requested that the Speed Indicator Device (SID) be deployed again
- It was noted that the increase in traffic volume and speed on Moorhowe Road remained an issue too
- Two reports had been made to the Westmorland & Furness Highways Hotline, one of which (an overgrown hedge) had been dealt with promptly. The other, which was regarding the water that flows down from the fells, onto the road at the bottom of Ravengarth, is being investigated
- The footpath alongside the Big Meadow was reported to be in a poor state of repair. It was suggested that the full length between the end of Danes Road down to the village hall be reported to W&F Highways. Clerk to report
- The mole hills at Ings had all been flattened however, it was noted that two of the burrows were still in use. Clerk to send insurance request details to contractor

178/23 Planning Applications:

a) New Planning Applications

7/2024/5082: Fell Garth, Crook Road, Staveley. Demolition of existing kitchen, garage and outbuilding and construction of new side and rear extension with covered patio, new detached garage, block up existing access and creation of new vehicle access parking and turning area and associated landscaping to gardens. **No objections**

7/2024/5075: 2, Scroggs Close, Staveley. Single Storey Extension. Certificate of Lawfulness of Proposed Use or Development. **(For information only)**

7/2024/5089: 16, Seedfield, Staveley. Proposed dormer roof extension, single storey side extension and new detached single garage to replace existing **No objections**

a) To note Planning Applications determined since last meeting

7/2022/5786 - Land opposite Plantation Filling Station. Erection of two local occupancy dwellings. **Appeal Dismissed**

7/2021/5448: Land to east of Crookfield. Change of use from agricultural grazing land to residential. Construction of 25 dwellings with associated site works and footpath link to Crook Rd. **Approved with Conditions**

b) To note Planning Applications still outstanding

7/2021/5196: 1 High Knott Barn, Ings. Amendment of local occupancy condition to correspond with Draft Housing Supplementary Planning Document. Redevelopment of agricultural building to two local needs dwellings.

7/2023/5189: Land north of Kentmere Mills, Chapel Lane, Staveley. Erection of six portal frame industrial starter units and a two storey office and warehouse facility with associated car parking and the provision of vehicle electrical charging points and solar panels to the roof slopes, following withdrawal of application ref 7/2022/5208.

7/2023/5491: Greenholme, Ings. Use as unfettered dwellinghouse, amended submission to application ref 7/2023/5230

T/2024/0002: Eagle & Child, Staveley. Fell 1 Willow

7/2024/5014: 32, Seedfield, Staveley. Demolition of Conservatory & replacement single storey rear extension, front infill extension, parking area & garden building

179/23 Community plan update – W & F Council Climate and Nature Partnership Grant

- The work on this is ongoing
- It was noted that the grant includes funding for young people and perhaps this could be developed in a way to include potential younger councillors

180/23 Community plan update – Helping local businesses continue to thrive: The Post Office

Concerns were expressed about the imminent closure of the current Sub Post Office in Staveley and the need for a new location and Sub Postmaster. As this is a vital service, it was suggested that contact be made with the Post Office, to find out what process they have in place when a closure occurs and whether the PC can be of assistance with this process. This needs to be added to the April 3rd agenda for further discussion

181/23 Community plan update – Encourage neighbourly action: Community larder

It is being investigated as to whether there may be a location in Staveley Mill yard for the community larder. Jack's corner was considered; however, it was thought that the position may be too prominent

182/23 Community plan update – Communications: newsletter

- There have now been 7 editions of the newsletter, so it was suggested that it is now time to review its success. This is to be added to April 3rd agenda for further discussion
- It was noted that the newsletter will be a good means of alerting parishioners to the forthcoming elections and the fact that more councillors are required
- Any items for the spring newsletter needed to be passed to Councillor Michel by Thursday 7th March

183/23 Bus stop at Staveley Village Hall

A decision still needs to be made as to whether to retain the bus stop at Staveley village hall or to return it to the SVA. A meeting with the SVA had been postponed, therefore the matter was deferred, to be added to April 3rd agenda for further discussion and decision

184/23 Parish Horticulture Update

In the absence of Cllr Cannon it was agreed to defer this to the next meeting

185/23 Follow up from Post Emergency Plan Review meeting

- There was agreement that the second meeting with Jonathan Burgess, the Senior Emergency Planning Officer at W & F Council, had been extremely useful. The detail provided tweaks to the emergency plan, as well as assurance that the plan is robust.
- Following the meeting a list was created for further emergency planning items and a grant application submitted

186/23 Fellfoot Cottages allotment septic tanks contract

It was brought to the Clerk’s attention that the septic tank acknowledgement fee, applicable to Fellfoot Cottages, had not been issued for many years. It was felt that not enough was known about the history behind this charge, therefore it was agreed that the Clerk should carry out further research and the matter deferred to another meeting

187/23 Sewerage and flooding update

- United Utilities (UU) have been busy fulfilling their promise following the meeting in January 2024. The work of putting a camera down the whole of the network is virtually completed
- There have been talks with LDNPA for them to be involved and they have agreed to be part of the bi-monthly meetings, the first of which is due in April 2024.
- The letter which had previously been agreed by the PC, regarding developers using PTPs, had been delayed until after the January meeting; it now needs to be amended in light of the results of the meeting, and added to a future agenda
- The EA guidance for their permits for sewer areas have been updated, however the changes are not huge. It was noted that the guidance on arrangements for connections which are not to a public sewer had also been updated
- It was felt that the moratorium needs to be reviewed following the meeting with UU in January. To be added to April 3rd agenda

188/23 Appointment of the Internal Auditor

It was agreed to appoint Malcolm Richardson, the same internal auditor as last year. He quoted his fees as the same as last year, being £100 plus travel expenses, and a further charge for any additional work that may be necessary as a result of the audit

189/23 Correspondence: A list of correspondence received has been circulated including an email from LDNPA regarding the Development Control Committee (DCC)

190/23 Finance

Income

Bank interest received £38.97

Payments

Mark Raven – rebuilding allotment wall	£650.00
Cllr Salisbury – 3USB charger (Emergency Plan)	£4.76
Clerk Lesley Postlethwaite – Anti Virus for laptop	£39.99
Clerk Lesley Postlethwaite – February Salary	£360.60
HMRC – Tax deducted	£90.00
Jennifer Bottomley - Website development (Dec '23, Feb '24)	£90.00
SVA – Room hire 08.01.24 and 04.03.24	£40.00

191/23 Date of next meeting: Wednesday 3rd April, Ings Parish Hall

Signed (Chairman)

Date: