

Please note these are the unapproved and unsigned Minutes.

## **KIRKBAMPTON PARISH COUNCIL**

A meeting of the Parish Council was held on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2005 at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall.

### Present

Mr. R. Stables – Chairman

Mr. M. Cunliffe, Mr. R. Haddon, Mr. E. Newstead, Mr. F. Duckworth, Mrs. J. Gallagher, Borough Councillor and Mrs. Hall, Clerk. Mr. D. Fairbairn arrived at 8 p.m.

### **1. Apologies and Declarations of Interest**

Mr. J. Graham sent his apologies as he was ill. Mr. Stables declared two interest in respect of planning applications items 8(g) and 8(h).

2. **Minutes** of the meeting dated 17<sup>th</sup> January 2005 were approved and signed as a true record.

3. **Adjournment of meeting** – no members of the public attended.

### **4. Police report**

Andrew Graham of Wigton Rural Policing Team provided a report for the period 11<sup>th</sup> January 2005 to 11<sup>th</sup> March 2005. The incidents included 1 reported assault, 1 sneak in burglary and 1 complaint of nuisance as regards the use of vehicles by hunt followers. He commented that generally the level of crime in the Wigton area is low and he hopes to see this trend continue.

### **5. Local Development Frameworks The New Planning System**

Mr. Graham and Mr. Stables attended this seminar held on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2005. The seminar was poorly presented and no clear answers were given.

### **6. Highways and Transport Evening**

Mr. Newstead attended this meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2005. He reported that the areas which concerned this Parish were safety and highway maintenance. A report was put together to forward to the County Council in response to their consultation on the draft Local Transport Plan which included safety issues and the regular complaints received about the condition of the roads and pavements in the Parish.

7. **Roads, footpaths and lighting** - the following complaints were received:-

- (a) the drains along Syke Road were blocked and despite the drain cleaning vehicle being in the Village on the 14<sup>th</sup> March these drains had not been cleaned.
- (b) the road sign at the top of Oaks Lane was in a considerable state of disrepair.

Mr. Fairbairn took details of these complaints.

## 8. **Planning and Licensing**

- (a) Grant of planning permission – erection of slurry tower, High Ploughlands, Kirkbampton.
- (b) Grant of planning permission – erection of detached bungalow (resubmission), Plot 5 Little Bampton Farm, Little Bampton.
- (c) Grant of planning permission and conservation area consent – demolition of farmbuildings and erection of 5 dwellings, Kirkbampton Farm, Kirkbampton.
- (d) Hedgerow Removal Notice – Newbampton Farm, Biglands – no objections. This has been refused by Allerdale Borough Council and a copy of the Hedgerow Retention Notice has been received.
- (e) Single storey extension to bungalow known as Newlands, Little Bampton – no objections.
- (f) Two storey kitchen and bedroom extension and sun room – Belmont, Oughterby – no objections.
- (g) Change of use of agricultural buildings to caravan storage - Midtown Farm, Kirkbampton – no objections.
- (h) Erection of UPVC conservatory (retrospective) – 5 Solway View, Kirkbampton – no objections.
- (i) Tam O'Shanter, Little Bampton – change of licence to Paul Coward and Mark Eugino Grunnill.

## 9. **Finances:-**

- (a) Balances
 

Club account	£1,457.23
Current account	£1,397.28
- (b) Accounts to pay - agreed to pay the following:-
  - (i) Village Hall – rent - £12.00
  - (ii) Clerk's balance salary - £700

- (c) Grasscutting – tenders had been received from Paul Brown and Cumbria Contract Services. Paul Brown was unfortunately unable to cut the grass at Haverlands so only quoted for the areas within the Village at a figure of £145. Cumbria Contract Services quoted £290 (exclusive of VAT) for all the areas. It was agreed to accept this tender.
- (d) Appeals – Great North Air Ambulance Service and WRVA – no grants given.

#### 10. **CALC correspondence**

CALC Circulars for February and March received and copied to Councillors. Survey of current functions of parish and town councils completed.

#### 11. **General Correspondence**

- (a) Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Authorisation of the Qualified Person and amendments to Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 – details received.
- (b) English Nature Sitelines – Spring 2005 – copy received.
- (c) Cumbria and Lake District Joint Structure Plan – Panel report following the examination in public – details of website address for access to report.
- (d) Overhead Wires Project Newsletter January 2005 – copy received.
- (e) Community Law Centre – Free legal advice – leaflet received.
- (f) DEFRA – Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Bill – details received, the Clerk to copy for Councillors.
- (g) Office of the Deputy Prime Minister – Citizen Engagement and Public Services : Why Neighbourhoods Matter and Vibrant Local Leadership – booklets received and to be circulated.
- (h) Highways Agents – Traffic Information and Roadworks for the North West of England – leaflets received.
- (i) Standards Board for England – A Code for the Future – leaflets received and circulated – to be discussed at next meeting.
- (j) The Countryside Agency – The Conclusive Map of open country and registered common land in upper North West England – Area 4 – copy received.
- (k) Allerdale Borough Council – Is Dog Fouling a Problem? – details of workshop received.
- (l) Local Council Review – March 2005 – copy received.
- (m) Mobile Post Officer Services update received.
- (n) Save our Control Group – Regionalisation of emergency fire control rooms newsletter received and card to MP completed.
- (o) Friends of the Lake District – Rural Road Character Research – Summary report – copy received.
- (p) Clerks and Councils Direct – March 2005 – copy received.
- (q) DEFRA – Making sense of broadband letter and CD-ROM received.

#### 12. **Items brought by Councillors.**

The noticeboard in Kirkbampton was raised. Notices are blowing off and ending up in North View. This to be included in the next Agenda.