

KIRKBAMPTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Virtual Meeting of Kirkbampton Parish Council held on Monday 14th September at 7:30p.m.

Present: P S Heggie (Vice-Chair); Cllrs S Bertram and M Cunliffe

In Attendance: Borough Cllr V Hodgson (arrived 8.06pm). Acting Clerk S Kyle.

ACTION

121/07/20 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs S Ekins-Parnell and E Newstead. Apologies were also received from County Cllr M Johnson.

122/09/20 Requests for Dispensations & Declarations of Interest

No requests for dispensations were received and no declarations of interest were made

123/07/20 Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held on 27th July 2020

Resolved to authorise the Vice-Chair to sign, as a true and accurate record, the minutes of the last meeting of the Council.

124/09/20 Public Participation

No members of the public were in attendance.

125/07/20 Planning Matters

FUL/2020/0165 Studholme Kirkbride Wigton - Demolition of existing farmhouse and building and erection of new farmhouse

Resolved to note that the Clerk responded under delegated powers with 'no representation'.

HOU/2020/0082 Headley Little Brampton Wigton - Proposed front entrance

Resolved to note that permission has been granted.

126/09/20 Administrative and Village Matters

126.1 Defibrillators

It was confirmed that a representative from Community Heartbeat Trust hopes to visit Cumbria in September and might be able to look at the Little Bampton phone box to clarify why the electricity is not working. It was also confirmed that no progress has been made at all with trying to get ENWL to restore the power to the phone box in Oughterby. If no progress is likely to be made, which will be discussed when the CHT representative visits, it will be either necessary to swap the defibrillator for a version that does not require frost proofing, or to consider paying for the restoration of the supply. This is to be considered prior to the colder weather commencing and may need a decision taken before the November meeting.

It was also confirmed that Cllr Bertram will circulate costs for replacement Perspex panels for the Little Bampton box.

SB

126.2 Grass Cutting Contract

This matter will be fully considered at the November meeting, where a proposal for an amendment to the existing contract will be presented in preparation for the 2021 grass cutting season.

126.3 Village Green Events

Concerns were raised regarding events taking place on Little Bampton



Green, without event insurance and without prior notification to the Parish Council.

Resolved that the Acting-Clerk will investigate implications and circulate additional information via email.

SK

126.4 Allerdale Three-Tier Meeting

The above was noted although no representative was available to attend.

126.5 NJC Local Government Services Pay Scales

Resolved to agree implementation of the updated pay scales for the Acting Clerk, backdated to 1 April 2020, at an additional monthly cost of £7.75.

127/09/20 Highways Matters

It was noted that location details have been provided to Cumbria County Council regarding the placement of the proposed illuminated speed sign. Concerns were however raised that the sign may be too bright for adjacent householders.

128/09/20 Finance Matters

128.1 Expenditure

Resolved to approve payments detailed in the schedule as follows:

Sarah Kyle, August Salary, £233.32
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Opening Balance on 1 st April 2020	£7,077.98
Total Receipts to 31 st August 2020	£4,472.71
Total Expenditure to 31 st August 2020	£3334.46
Balance 31 st August 2020	£8216.23

129/09/20 Councillor Matters

Cllr Bertram updated the meeting regarding collaborative broadband proposals.

Borough Cllr Hodgson entered the meeting at 8.06pm.

Borough Cllr Hodgson noted highways updates, including drainage issues and progress on the repair of the bridge at the old schoolhouse. Cllr Heggie will inform him if works do not begin promptly.

He noted that Allerdale Borough Council had been busy with distribution of COVID funds whilst many staff continued to work from home. He also applauded the success of the waste collection service which had started under the new operating arrangements during the pandemic. Cllr Hodgson also noted that many parish councils had raised concerns regarding the proposed transfer of street lighting costs and that local government reorganisation in Cumbria was being considered.

130/07/20 Date of Next Meeting

Resolved that the next virtual meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday 9th November 2020 at 7.30pm.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.19pm.

