

FARLAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at Hallbankgate Village Hall on 15th January 2020 at 7.30pm.

PRESENT

Councillor S. Bowles (Chairman, in the Chair)
Councillor R. Foster
Councillor A. Murray

Councillor S. Dalton
Councillor R Hinton
Councillor C. Skeates

IN ATTENDANCE – Clerk

ALSO ATTENDING – Councillor M. Mitchelson, Carlisle City Council

88/19 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

RESOLVED to note that apologies for absence were received and agreed from:-

Councillor Marsh.
City Councillors Meller and Tinnion.

89/19 REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION

RESOLVED to note that no requests for dispensation were received.

90/19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

RESOLVED to note there were no declarations of interest made.

91/19 MINUTES

91/19.1 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13TH NOVEMBER 2019 WERE SUBMITTED.

RESOLVED to authorise the Chairman to sign the minutes of the meeting held on 13th November 2019, confirmed as a true and accurate record.

92/19 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

RESOLVED to note that no members of the public were present and no items were raised.

RESOLVED to note there were no reports from City or County Councillors.

93/19 REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS –

RESOLVED to note there were no representatives' reports.

94/19 TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING - APPLICATIONS –

APPLICATIONS – Applications for planning consent were considered.

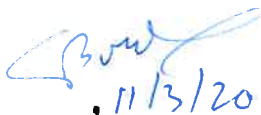
RESOLVED to advise the appropriate Planning Authority of the Council's comments as follows:-

94/19.1 KIRKHOUSE QUARRY, HALLBANKGATE

Application reference number: 1/20/9001 Proposal: Section 73 variation of condition 1 of planning permission 1/09/9015 to extend the expiry date of operations to 30th November 2031.

Application reference number: 1/20/9002 Proposal: Section 73 variation of condition 2 of planning permission 1/09/9016 (lateral extension of quarry) to extend the expiry date of operations to 30th November 2031.

No observations.


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95/19 CLERKS REPORT

RESOLVED to note that the Clerk updated members on the following items:-

- Planning application 19/0813, Farlam Hall – no decision to date
- Greenside Estates request for tree planting – no response to date
- Play area training seminar (21.4.2020 at Sunderland) – Clerk to attend
- Defibrillator – Medisave contacted regarding outstanding items of equipment

96/19 FINANCIAL MATTERS

96/19.1 BANK RECONCILIATION TO 14.12.19

There was submitted a report by the Clerk on the reconciliation of the Council's financial records with its bank account statements.

RESOLVED to receive and note the bank reconciliation and balance to 14th December 2019 of £6,137.85.

96/19.2 EXPENDITURE TO APPROVE

RESOLVED to authorise the following expenditure for payment:-

Amount £	Payee	Detail	Cheque number
330.48	A Riddell	Net wage to 31.01.20	100777
82.40	HMR&C	PAYE	100778
74.39	R Hinton	Play area equipment	100779
370.00	R. Farrimond	Hedging & verge mnce	100780
10.00	A. Jones	Christmas tree electric	100781

97/19 WEBSITE ACCESSIBILITY REGULATIONS

Councillor Hinton updated members on the situation with the website conforming to the website accessibility regulations and that transfer to another company may have to be the way forward although there would be a financial implication to this.

Mr I. Whetton who runs the website for Walton had created a dummy website for Farlam Parish Council which had no issues of accessibility and information was passed to Councillor Hinton to look at.

RESOLVED to note that Councillor Hinton would continue looking into the matter and if transfer to another company was required, this would be permitted as long as it was within the agreed budget.

98/19 SPEEDING/SPEEDWATCH

Councillor Bowles gave members an update on the number of volunteers for the Speedwatch Group and that training would be organised with the police in due course. The police would also supply a speed camera for use by the volunteers.

Following receipt of a letter from a parishioner, who had written to the local quarry company regarding the speeding of wagons, members further considered the matter of speeding through Hallbankgate especially near the school.

Councillor Foster suggested asking highways to compulsory purchase land from a property neighbouring the school to widen the pavement, Councillor Hinton suggested the lowering of the speed limit through the village to 20mph and Councillor Bowles suggested speed indication devices being installed.

RESOLVED that the Clerk would ask highways for a site visit and to give their opinion on the situation.

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99/19 CHRISTMAS TREE

Members considered the future location of the village Christmas tree.

RESOLVED that Councillor Bowles would speak to the caretakers of the village hall and ascertain whether the parish council could contribute to a tree being placed outside the hall rather than the grassed area near the bus shelter.

100/19 PLAY AREA MAINTENANCE

Councillor Hinton updated members on the ongoing repairs to the play area. The manufacturing company had been contacted direct as the purchase of the required equipment for repairs was cheaper from them than the play equipment provider.

Councillor Hinton also reported that residents interested in forming a community play area group were struggling to open a bank account. Barclays and the Cumberland Building Society had turned down requests.

RESOLVED to note the update.

101/19 SMALL SCALE GRANTS

Members were asked to give consideration to any small projects within the parish that could use some funding from the City Councillors small scale grants.

Councillor Skeates requested funding for a national scheme that Hallbankgate Hub wanted to participate in called Meet up Mondays. Initial funding would cost £500.00 and would be used for advertisement of the event and refreshments. Ongoing funding would be used for transport for residents to get to and from the Hub.

There were no suggestions for parish council related projects/purchases.

RESOLVED to note that Councilor Michelson agreed to make a contribution to the Meet up Mondays scheme.

102/19 CALC

The following correspondence from CALC was received and noted:-

102/19.1 CALC CIRCULARS – December 2019/January 2020.

102/19.2 REPAIRS TO PROPERTY RELATING TO THE CHURCH

102/19.3 COMMUNITY ENERGY CHAMPIONS IN PARISH COUNCILS

RESOLVED to note that Councillor Skeates would put information in the Village News.

102/19.4 CARING FOR YOUR COMMUNITY

102/19.5 DISCIPLINARY AND GRIEVANCE ARRANGEMENTS

102/19.6 DEVELOPING YOUR SKILLS

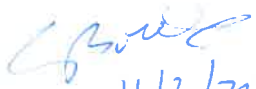
103/19 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED BY THE CLERK

RESOLVED to note the following correspondence had been received: -

103/19.1 CUMBRIA POLICE – North Cumbria News.

103/19.2 RURAL FUN TIME – Email from Guy Thompson, Community Sports Manager.

RESOLVED not to participate in the scheme as it wasn't felt to be value for money.


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104/19 LITERATURE AVAILABLE FROM CLERK –

RESOLVED to note the following literature was available from the Clerk:-

104/19.1 NOTICE OF EXECUTIVE KEY DECISIONS – 17th December 2019

105/19 AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

. **Speeding/Speedwatch** – Councillor Bowles to give an update

RESOLVED to note that any further items for consideration should be submitted to the Clerk on or before 4th March 2020.

106/19 DATE OF NEXT MEETING - Wednesday 11th March 2020, Hallbankgate Village Hall, 7.30pm.

107/19 PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960 - To consider resolving, in terms of The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, that, in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, (contract terms), it is advisable in the public interest that the public be temporarily excluded and that they be instructed to withdraw.

108/19 GRASS CUTTING CONTRACT 2020

There was submitted a report by the Clerk on the tenders invited and received for the grass cutting contract 2020.

RESOLVED to accept the tender submitted by R. Farrimond in the sum of £1,320.00.

Proposed by Councillor Hinton, seconded by Councillor Foster, all agreed. There were no other proposals.

Meeting closed at 8.12pm.


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