

Allhallows Parish Council

A meeting of the Allhallows Parish Council was held in the Allhallows Community Centre, Fletchertown, Aspatria on Wednesday 3rd July 2024 at 7.00pm.

PRESENT: Messrs. M. Abbott, K. Faulder, J. Mansfield, M. Bowness, and B. Williamson.

Also, Present: T. Gear (Clerk), K. Thurlow (Cumberland Councillor), and a resident of the parish

Apologies: None

Councillor M. Abbott in the Chair

99/2024 MEMBERS APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from S. Barton (Illness) and her absence was approved.

100/2024 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

None.

101/2024 DISPENSATION

None.

102/2024 MINUTES

On the proposal of K. Faulder and seconded by J. Mansfield it was RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 1st May 2024 be approved and signed as a correct record.

103/2024 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no items raised by residents.

104/2024 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

There were no items on the agenda which required the exclusion of the press or public.

105/2024 CORRESPONDENCE

The following items of correspondence have been received since the last meeting and circulated to members for their information: -.

Cumbria Local Nature Partnership Updates

Fibrus Community Fund open now.

Various Cumberland Council Newsletters.

Connecting Cumbria Newsletter – May and June 2024

CALC News – March & April 2024.

Cumbria Local Nature Partnership Update

ENWL funding opportunity re Community Energy Projects

Cumbria LNRS Spring Summer Newsletter

Let's Talk Environment conference Wed. 12th June – Cockermouth

Deputy Prime Minister Resilience Speech: Details, Tools & Resources

Save a Date – CALC Cumberland Branch Event

Cumbria Local Resilience Forum Summer Hazards Workshop
Social Prescribing

106/2024 CLERKS REPORT

The clerk gave a brief report on matters that had arisen since the last meeting which included: -

i)The clerk had received a complaint regarding a fallen tree blocking footpath 208016 and a broken gate at Greenbank. Reported to Cumberland Council via EI204905.

106/2024 ALLHALLOWS CENTRE

The Chair reported that she had resigned from the Centre Management Committee and as there were no members of the council on the Committee the clerk to write to the Committee and ask for a report to be available for parish council meetings and an item for the parish newsletter.

107/2024 CUMBERLAND COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

K. Thurlow addressed the meeting and mentioned he had received complaints of dog fouling. He advised that there was currently a planning application for a battery storage facility on West Street going out of Aspatria and that the Aspatria Library is likely to open later this month.

108/2024 PLANNING MATTERS

(a) Applications for consultation

None

(b) Decisions

FUL/2024/0035 Erection of new stable block and storage building Approved
Acre Cottage, Watch hill, Aspatria, CA7 3SB.

(c) Appeals

None

(d) Planning related correspondence

None

109/2024 ACCOUNTS

i) The payment of the accounts since the last meeting were ratified, and remainder were approved for payment: -

Mike Dowling Contracting	Grass cutting (April)	£300.00
CALC	Subscription (Addition)	£26.26
Cumberland Council	Play Park Inspection	£58.00
Water Plus	Water rates (May)	£10.71
T. Gear	Clerks Account (May/June)	£548.86
HMRC	Income Tax (May/June)	£107.64
Water Plus	Water rates (June)	£2.91
Mike Dowling Contracting	Grass cutting (May)	£600.00
After Aqua Ltd	Re-position sign	£26.00
Citizens Advice Allerdale	Donation	£50.00

ii) Balances as at

3.7.24	Current Account	£4,828.37
3.7.24	Deposit Account	£4,851.48

110/2024 COUNCILLOR'S PORTFOLIO'S

- i) Allotments: M. Abbott advised that two allotments were untidy and not being cultivated. The clerk to write to one allotment holder and the other which is unoccupied will be trimmed. Concerns had been raised over flooding which in the main was put down to the unseasonable wet weather. A complaint had been received that a hedge with nesting birds had been trimmed. This was investigated and found that the hedge at the entrance to the allotments had received a minor trim and there was no evidence of nesting birds. The clerk to respond to the complainant.
- ii) Play Park: K. Faulder stated it is very wet at present. She will also be attending a One Day RPII Routine Inspectors Course.
- iii) Flooding: S. Barton had tendered her apologies, but it was reported that the road through Baggrow had been flooded but the water had not reached the nearby properties.
- iv) Outside bodies: J. Mansfield advised that she was unable to attend the one meeting since the last council meeting.

111/2024 PRIDE IN THE PARISH/ FLETCHERTOWN SPRING CLEAN

The above was discussed and it was decided to arrange a clean-up day on Saturday 14th September 2024 commencing at 10am at Allhallows Centre. The date to be advertised in the Parish Newsletter and Binsey Link

112/2024 VACANCY

D. Thompson had resigned due to work commitments and her vacancy had been advertised. There were no applications for co-option to be considered. However, the resident present indicated that she wished to rejoin the council. To be considered at the September meeting.

113/2024 BAGGROW LONNING

Works were ongoing which will be inspected before the next meeting,

114/2024 RESTORATION OF THE BONFIRE SITE

This is an ongoing project. More trees have arrived which will be planted shortly. The children's name tags who planted trees in the past had been collected up by person(s) unknown as an act of vandalism. Signs are being prepared and will be erected showing "Jubilee Wood."

115/2024 SPEED INDICATION DEVICE – MEALSGATE

Whilst speed count strips had been in place the Speed Indication Device had not returned. The clerk to chase again.

116/2024 DRAINAGE – PLAY PARK, FLETCHERTOWN

An estimate for the work from Mike Dowling Contractor is still awaited. The clerk to chase.

117/2024 WINTER GRITTING

There was no latest information on this item but as winter is approaching the clerk was asked to chase a response from Highways.

118/2024 ODD JOB PERSON

The only person who had responded was Mr. R Bowness who had been appointed.

119/2024 PLAY EQUIPMENT

The odd job person had been given a copy of the recent play park inspection and has provided a quote for the work. The clerk to apply for a grant to cover the cost. The odd job person will in the meantime be doing other jobs in the parish. The chair and other volunteers will also wash down the play equipment ready for the school holidays.

120/2024 39 BUS

J. Mansfield addressed the meeting saying how important this service was to the residents and that she had circulated the timetable in the Binsey Link. She and other users hoped to increase the usage so that the Tuesday service could be extended to a Friday service as well.

121/2024 CLIMATE EMERGENCY

Information on the CAfS Climate Fresk Training has been circulated.

122/2024 RE-POSITIONING OF SEAT – WEST STREET. FLETCHERTOWN

There was no space for the seat to be re-positioned on the allotments. It was agreed to re-position it to the grassed area at the B5299 junction opposite the Play Park

123/2024 TELEPHONE BOX HOUSING DEFIBRILLATOR, FLETCHERTOWN

The clerk advised members of the enquiries regarding the damaged telephone box housing the defibrillator. Also, during those enquiries it was established that the model of defibrillator had been removed from service. As this is a parish asset it was agreed to write to the Centre Committee to seek permission to site the cabinet at the centre and to replace the defibrillator early next year when the pads expire.

124/2024 DONATION – CITIZENS ADVICE ALLERDALE

A letter had been received from the above seeking financial support for the advice they have given residents of the parish. On the proposal of M. Abbott and seconded by K. Faulder it was agreed to donate £50.00 to this worthy cause.

125/2024 PARKING ISSUES -FLETCHERTOWN

Attention had been drawn to the parking of a vehicle on George Moore Avenue causing a bottle neck which affects other residents and makes it difficult for the emergency services to attend an incident further down the village. The clerk to raise the matter with the police.

126/2024 PROGRESS REPORTS

- (i) Any items for the next newsletter should be forwarded to the Clerk by 15th. August 2024 for delivery early September 2024.

127/2024 ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

- Baggrow Lonning
- Restoration of bonfire site
- Play Park
- Climate Change
- Defibrillator

128/2024 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on **Wednesday 4th September 2024 at Allhallows Centre, Fletchertown at 7.00pm.**

The meeting closed at 8.17pm

Signed.....

Chair