KIRKANDREWS ON ESK PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the MEETING of KIRKANDREWS ON ESK PARISH COUNCIL held in MOAT VILLAGE HALL on MONDAY 11th MARCH 2024 at 7.30pm.

PRESENT: Clirs W. Bundred (Chairman), Z. Armstrong, L. Cragg, S. Richardson and D. Wilson.

IN ATTENDANCE: Clerk

Cumberland Councillor Pickstone

100/23 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

RESOLVED to note that apologies for absence were received and agreed from Councillors P. Armstrong and Wallis.

101/23 REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION

RESOLVED to note that no requests for dispensation were received.

102/23 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

RESOLVED to note that Councillor Richardson declared an interest in items relating to Longtown Community Centre and Moat Village Hall.

103/23 MINUTES

RESOLVED to authorise the Chairman to sign the minutes of the meeting held on 8th January 2024, confirmed as a true and accurate record.

ACTION: WB

104/23 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION -

104/23.1 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

RESOLVED to note there were no members of the public present.

104/23.2 CUMBERLAND COUNCILLOR REPORT

RESOLVED to note that Cumberland Councillor Pickstone reported on the following:-

- Cumberland Council budget for 2024/25 increase of 4.99% and parish councils may have to pick up the cost of small things
- Speed Indication Device (SID) on A7 caught up with those requested for Arthuret PC
- Cumberland Council Plan lack of affordable housing in the rural area
- Grit piles will no longer be renewed. Grit bins will be supported in areas that are on a gradient and/or bend.

105/23 REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS

RESOLVED to note that Councillor Bundred reported on the following:-

- **LONGTOWN DEVELOPMENT GROUP** Grants will depend on the bids put forward from the various groups. Councillor Pickstone stated that the consultants had different ideas favouring the A7 having a 20mph speed limit through Longtown.
- BECK BURN WIND PANEL FARM Issues with memorandum still ongoing, hopefully would be resolved soon.

igned (Chairman)	
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106/23 TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING

Applications for planning consent were considered.

RESOLVED to advise Cumberland Council of the Parish Council's comments as follows:-

106/23.1 HEATHER HEAD, LONGTOWN (24/0110) – Erection of first floor rear extension to provide en-suite bedroom; single storey side extension to provide kitchen/dining room; relocation of existing conservatory; erection of replacement detached outbuilding.

Support the application.

106/23.2 ENGLISHTOWN FARM, LONGTOWN (24/0078) – Demolition of existing sheds; erection of replacement cattle shed.

Support the application.

ACTION: Clerk

RESOLVED to ratify the following:-

106/23.3 WM ARMSTRONG LTD., TOWNFOOT LONGTOWN (23/0876) – Erection of wagon wash facility with canopy.

No observations.

106/23.4 CARWINLEY WATERMILL, CARWINLEY (24/0011) – Remodelling of existing dwelling; demolition of timber-framed side extension; ground floor kitchen extension to north east elevation; installation of solar panels; erection of replacement raised decking.

No observations.

106/23.5 ENGLISHTOWN FARM, LONGTOWN (24/0046) – Installation of concrete pad for silage storage and associated effluent storage tank.

No observations.

106/23.6 HIGH PLAINS FARM, LONGTOWN (24/0061) – Erection of agricultural building for housing livestock.

No observations.

107/23 NOTIFICATION OF DECISIONS

RESOLVED to note the following decisions from Cumberland Council on applications which the Parish Council had previously commented on:-

23/0869 – OAKBANK LAKES, LONGTOWN – Extension to existing agricultural building.
 WITHDRAWN BY APPLICANT

108/23 FINANCIAL MATTERS -

108/23.1 BANK RECONCILIATION to 28.02.24

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 balances to 28th February 2024 of £18,148.22.

Signed (Chairman)
Date

108/23.2 EXPENDITURE TO APPROVE

RESOLVED to authorise the following expenditure for payment:-

- £689.68 A. Riddell net wage to 31.03.24 cheque number 101100
 £260.05 Brampton PC Office & SLCC contribution cheque number 101101
 £24.00 J. Robb bus shelters cheque number 101102
- £68.34 Cumberland Council play area inspection cheque number 101103

108/23.3 MONITORING REPORT

RESOLVED to note the Monitoring Report to 29th February 2024 detailing the income and expenditure against the budget.

108/23.4 BANK ACCOUNT

Consideration was given to moving to Unity Bank from Barclays.

RESOLVED to move the bank account to Unity Bank after the precept had been received.

ACTION: Clerk

108/23.5 BECK BURN WIND FARM COMMUNITY POT -

108/23.5.1 GRANT APPLICATIONS -

LONGTOWN COMMUNITY CENTRE

RESOLVED to award a grant in the sum of £260.00 towards a family Easter funday.

ACTION: Clerk

108/23.5.2 REPLACEMENT OF JUBILEE TREES

RESOLVED to defer the item to the next meeting.

108/23.5.3 BROADBAND/SCREEN AT MOAT VILLAGE HALL

RESOLVED to note that Councillor Bundred would pass information to Councillor Richardson on the installation of Broadband at Moat Village Hall and to note that Councillor Richardson was struggling to get quotes for the installation of a drop down screen.

108/23.5.4 INDOOR BOWLING CLUB (Min. - 072/23.5.1.2)

RESOLVED to note that confirmation had been received from Councillor Richardson that there were currently no members from the parish, as such the proposed grant for £200.00 would not be paid.

109/23 RISK ASSESSMENT

The Clerk submitted the annual risk assessment for review.

RESOLVED to approve the annual risk assessment with no amendments.

Signed (Chairman)	
Date	

110/23 WEBSITE AND EMAILS

Consideration was given to moving to a .gov.uk website and emails.

RESOLVED to defer the matter until the latest publication of the Joint Panel on Accountability and Governance (JPAG) Practitioners Guide was released.

111/23 HIGHWAY ISSUES -

111/23.1 C1002 SARKBRIDGE TO BLACKBANK

Consideration was given to a proposal from Councillor Bundred for the road to be upgraded.

RESOLVED that Councillor Bundred would organise a site visit with Councillor Pickstone and perhaps David Mundell MP.

111/23.2 FLY TIPPING AT BARRAS GATE

Consideration was given to erecting signage to raise awareness about fly tipping in the area. The fly tipping was noted to be on private land with the verge under ownership of Cumberland Council and therefore not within the remit of the Parish Council.

RESOLVED to note that Councillor Pickstone would investigate the matter.

111/23.3 CATTLE GRID IMPROVEMENTS

Consideration was given to a proposal from Councillor Bundred for improvements to the cattle grid on the approach to St. Andrew's Church.

RESOLVED that Councillor Pickstone would liaise with the Cumberland Council Highways Department.

111.23.4 SLIP ROAD FROM MOTORWAY HEADING SOUTH

The poor state of the road had been raised previously yet Highways had taken the decision to take no further action.

RESOLVED that a site visit would be undertaken in conjunction with Min. 111/23.1.

112/23 GREENMILL DITCH

Councillor Wilson reported on recent work carried out at the ditch but that the problem seemed to be ongoing with the ditch becoming blocked regularly and causing flooding.

RESOLVED that the Clerk would report the problem to the Environment Agency and that a site visit would be undertaken in conjunction with Mins. 111/23.1 and 111/23.4.

113/23 CLERK'S REPORT

RESOLVED to note the report submitted by the Clerk. (Appendix 1)

114/23 D-DAY 80

Members considered taking part in the national event scheduled for June 6th 2024.

RESOLVED not to take part in the D-Day 80 commemorations.

Signed (Chairman)	
Date	

115/23 CALC

RESOLVED to note that all CALC emails had been circulated to members and the following required a formal decision:-

115/23.1 CUMBRIA FIRE AND RESCUE COMMUNITY RISK MANAGEMENT PLAN CONSULTATION

Consideration was given to a request to take part in the consultation.

RESOLVED not to take part.

116/23 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED BY THE CLERK -

RESOLVED to note that all correspondence had been circulated to members and that none required a formal decision.

117/23 AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

- Bus shelter repairs
- Play area

RESOLVED to note that any further items for consideration should be submitted to the Clerk on or before 6th May 2024.

118/23 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 13th May 2024, Moat Village Hall, from 7.15pm.

Please note this will include the Annual Parish Meeting and the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council.

Meeting closed 8.50pm

Signed (Chairman)	
Date	

CLERK'S REPORT

SID AT MOAT – Re-installed and working.

SID ON A7 – Clerk has submitted design and preferred location area to Cumberland Highways Officer, waiting for a response.

WALL AT J45 – Appears to have been fixed. (Councillor Bundred recently drove past)

GREENMILL WOOD DITCH – No further correspondence received by Councillor Bundred from the Environment Agency.

COMMEMORATION BENCHES – To be installed w/c 11th March 2024.

LIST OF CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED TO BE NOTED (Circulated to members by email)

CALC -

- UK Shared Prosperity Fund E26 & Rural England Prosperity Fund 2.7
- Partnership Information
- Cumbria Local Nature Recovery Strategy Newsletter
- United Utilities Affordability Presentation and DWP update
- NALC legal update February 2024
- Procurement threshold changes
- \$137 limits 2024/25
- January to July 2024 training programme

OTHER CORRESPONDENCE -

- Cumberland Council e-newsletters
- PFCC Winter Newsletter
- Rural Services Network, Funding Digest & Bulletin

 February 2024
- Hyperfast GB Newsletter Spring 2024
- Carlisle & Rural Police Newsletter February 2024

Signed (Chairman)
Date