# SEATON PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 18 APRIL 2016

#### Present:

Councillor P F Bateman Councillor K P Birkett Councillor M T Ditchburn Councillor S Forrester Councillor A Grey Councillor Mrs L Harwood (Chairman)

Councillor D Horsley

Councillor M I Jenkinson Councillor R McCracken Councillor J Musgrave Councillor Mrs J Norman Councillor J Sandwith Councillor K Slone Councillor Mrs C Tibble Councillor C Woodman

Clerk: P Bramley

### Minute No. 244

# **Apologies for Absence**

None received.

## Minute No. 245

## **Declarations of Interest**

Declarations of Interest were received from Councillor Mrs L Harwood, Item 15, Planning Application 2/2016/0101, Personal as Secretary & Treasurer to Seaton Club for Young People; Councillor Mrs J Norman, Item 15, Planning Application 2/2016/0182, Personal; Councillor K Slone, Item 7, Personal; & Councillor Mrs C Tibble, Item 15, Planning Application 2/2016/0168, Personal.

**Resolved** that the declarations of interest be noted.

## Minute No. 246

## **Requests for Dispensations**

None received.

#### Minute No. 247

## Minutes of Meeting held on 21 March 2016

Resolved that the minutes of the Meeting held on 21 March 2016 be accepted and signed as a correct record.

# Minute No. 248

#### **Police Report**

PCSO Rachel Pape attended the meeting & reported vandalism to a vehicle had occurred on 6 April on Ling Road & on 7 April, mud had been thrown in the same area. She reported theft from a vehicle on Meadow Vale on 12 April. PCSO Pape agreed to forward to area traffic wardens reports of parking on double yellow lines on Derwent Avenue & inconsiderate parking in the area around St Paul's Church on Sunday mornings.

**Resolved** that the Police Report be noted.

## **Progress Reports**

## 1) Clerk

**Resolved** that the progress report be noted & that:

- a) It be noted that Councillor M Jenkinson would report continued problems with access on the bridleway to the rear of Seaton Park, as a result of works to a property, to Allerdale Borough Council Planning Enforcement Officer.
- b) The Council investigate arrangements required should it decide to seek an extension in the arrangements in place for provision of a Seaton evening bus service, as well as the possibility & cost of a return journey.

# 2) Village Hall

It was noted that Councillor M Ditchburn had resigned as Chairman of the Village Hall Committee & that Councillor Mrs C Tibble had been elected to the role. It was reported that positive discussions with Seaton Bowling Club had taken place in progressing the development of a new building, & that a resolution to a long term dispute over responsibility for a boundary fence had been reached; a copy of the terms of agreement in respect of the latter was passed to the Council for its records. High current usage of the Village Hall facilities was reported. Building improvement works would not take place prior to Seaton Carnival day. It was noted that the next meeting would be held on 4 July 2016 at 6pm.

**Resolved** that the progress report be noted.

## Minute No. 250

### **Allotments**

Members received an update on the position concerning the Council's arrangements for the provision of allotments.

- Allerdale Borough Council Head of Development Services Mr Kevin Kerrigan had advised that he would arrange for any planning requirements in the development of an allotment site at Meadow Vale to be investigated & reported to the Parish Council.
- A report was received that a resident of Meadow Vale had asked about how residents would be consulted on proposals for the development of an allotment site.

**Resolved** that the position be noted & that the Council make arrangements for information on the development of an allotment site at Meadow Vale to be made available through the Council's Newsletter at an appropriate stage.

## **Public Questions**

1) Mr Paul Haughin of Seaton Allotment & Gardeners Society, (SAGS), advised that papers from SAGS covering a draft Constitution, draft Tenancy Agreement, draft Allotment Plot layout at Meadow Vale & SAGS members requesting a plot at Meadow Vale, together with SAGS Waiting List, had been forwarded to the Council that evening for consideration by the Allotment Working Party, as previously agreed. He also concurred with proposals to publicise the development of the Meadow Vale site.

#### Minute No. 252

## **County & District Councillors' Reports**

# 1) Cumbria County Council

Councillor Mrs C Tibble advised that the County Highways Working Group would be considering the issue of the pedestrian crossing at Seaton Academy & that she was seeking to have a suitable crossing installed in spite of the usage figures gathered, (Minute 228(1) refers), since funding was available. She advised that a gulley outside Seaton Academy had been blocked despite the record system showing otherwise, & that survey work undertaken by the Environment Agency & United Utilities of Ling Beck culvert had identified blockages, likely to be causing flooding at Quality Corner & other areas. Rectification of the blockages was likely to take some time, & flooding problems at Post Office Yard & Fernleigh Close were yet to be addressed. It was noted that some residents affected by flooding were unwilling to register for funding because of the perceived impact on value & saleability of their properties. Councillor Tibble had spoken with Councillor Keith Little, Cumbria County Councillor with responsibility for highways, about the reported problems.

#### 2) Allerdale Borough Council

Councillor J Sandwith had nothing to report.

Councillor M Jenkinson advised that he had received representation from Seaton Academy concerning the extent of litter on the cycleway in the vicinity of the Academy. He had arranged for the problem to be investigated. He advised that he had arranged for a review of Seaton road signs in conjunction with an officer from Allerdale Borough Council Property Services.

**Resolved** that the reports be accepted.

## Minute No. 253

## Application for Financial Assistance – Seaton ARLFC

**Resolved** that a grant of £200 be awarded to Seaton ARLFC in support of Mr Jordan O'Leary, who had been selected to represent England Community Lions Under 19 side on its tour of Canada, in recognition of the contribution made to the area through Mr O'Leary's representation on a national team.

## Footbridges on Footpath from Scaw Bank to Camerton

It was reported that the land owner for the area concerned, Mr Scott of Dearham, had given permission to the Council to have the footbridges on the footpath from Scaw Bank, Seaton, to Camerton, replaced. He had advised that previous repair work to the bridges had been undertaken by Cumbria County Council. Attempts to seek the County Council's intentions concerning repairs had not met with a response. **Resolved** that the Council seek suitable estimates for the replacement of the footbridges.

#### Minute No. 255

## **Christmas Lights**

**Resolved** that the notes of the Christmas Lights Working Party Meeting held on 17 March 2016 be noted & that:

- 1) The Council agree to hold a Christmas Lights Switch-on event on Saturday 26 November 2016, in conjunction with the Church Christmas Fayre, & that the Vicar be so advised.
- 2) Consideration be given to provision of an electric supply post, to facilitate the siting of a Christmas tree on one of the greens at Seaton shops crossroads, estimated to cost around £2,500, by the Allerdale Community Grant Working Party.

#### Minute No. 256

# Jackson Street Play Area

**Resolved** that the notes of the Jackson Street Play Area Working Party meeting held on 17 March 2016 be noted & that:

- Council members with information on potential funding sources make such information available to the Jackson Street Play Area Working Party & provide support for any applications made.
- 2) Guidance be sought from Allerdale Borough Council on potential suppliers & equipment costs for consideration by the Working Party.
- 3) The bench removed from Seaton crossroads be relocated at a suitable site on Jackson Street Play Area.
- 4) Information be sought on the provision of suitable artwork to enhance the boundary fencing.

#### Minute No. 257

#### **Brick Dubs**

**Resolved** that the notes of the Bricks Dubs Working Party held on 5 April 2016 & the site visit held on 11 April be noted & supported & that advice be sought from the Council's solicitor on the procedures to be followed with the development of a nature site on common land.

## **Planning Issues**

**Resolved** that the following observations on planning applications be made:

Reference No: 2/2016/0101 Applicant: Mr Jack Bhardwaj

Proposal: Change of use from A3 Café to A5 Hot Food Takeaway,

(with extractor flue), (Re-consultation following receipt

of amended extract duct elevations)

Location: 80 Main Road, Seaton

No additional observations

Reference No: 2/2015/0763 Applicant: Mr & Mrs M Scott

Proposal: Loft conversion to provide bedroom & shower room &

ground floor extension to provide kitchen, (Reconsultation following receipt of amended elevation

plans)

Location: 48 Fernleigh Drive, Seaton

**No Objections** 

Reference No: 2/2016/0168

Applicant: Mr Stuart Henderson

Proposal: Front, rear & side extension Location: 26 Fernleigh Drive, Seaton

**No Objections** 

Reference No: 2/2016/0182

Applicant: Mr Graeme Mitchell

Proposal: expansion of brewery to use adjoining agricultural

building as a warehouse & storage area, & part change

use of brewery to allow D2 use for public events

Location: The Tractor Shed, Calva Brow, Workington

**No Objections** 

Reference No: 2/2016/0235 Applicant: Mr M Carter

Proposal: Extension/alteration to provide additional

accommodation

Location: 89 Ling Beck Park, Seaton

**No Objections** 

**Resolved:** that the following planning application decisions made by Allerdale Borough Council be noted:

Reference No: 2/2016/0024 Applicant: Mr Neil Hodgson

Proposal: First floor extension to part of dwelling

Location: 29 Yearl Rise, Seaton

**APPROVED** 

Reference No: 2/2016/0063 Applicant: Mr Alan Irving

Proposal: Erection of garden building at rear

Location: 35 Lowca Lane, Seaton

**APPROVED** 

## Minute No. 259

## Accounts – April 2016

**Resolved** that the accounts listed in the schedule, totalling £11,716.26, including payments agreed at the meeting, be agreed for payment.

## Minute No. 260

## **Finance Report**

Members received a report showing actual expenditure & income for the period 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2016, in comparison to budget.

**Resolved** that the report be agreed.

#### Minute No. 261

## Correspondence

Correspondence received since the last meeting was noted.

#### Resolved that:

- 1) No comments be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate in respect of the Notice of Appeal concerning Barncroft, 16 High Seaton, (Appeal Reference APP/G0908/W/16/3141758).
- 2) Further to Minute 235, it be agreed not to provide specially minted coins for Seaton schools' pupils in recognition of the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday, & that members submit alternative proposals to the Clerk, noting the potential time constraints.

# Minute No. 262

#### **Councillors' Reports**

- 1) Consideration of potential measures to control vehicle road speeds in Seaton by considered at a future meeting.
- 2) It was reported that Seaton ARLFC was considering introducing car parking charges on its car park, which could impact on the informal arrangements to permit parking by parents of Seaton Academy pupils.

- 3) It was agreed to request the provision of litter bins adjacent to the two smaller greens at Seaton crossroads.
- 4) It was agreed that the Union flag be displayed in recognition of the Queen's birthday.

The meeting finished at 8.55 pm.

# **Next Meeting**

Members were advised that the next meeting, the Annual Council Meeting, would be held on 16 May 2016.

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Signed
Chairman