

**Minutes**  
of the meeting of  
**Seascale Parish Council**  
held on  
**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2015 at 7pm**  
in the Methodist School Room, Seascale

<b>Present</b>	Chair	Cllr David Moore
	Councillors	Cllr Mrs Eileen Eastwood Cllr Kenneth Mawson Cllr David Ritson Cllr Brian Goulding Cllr David Halliday
	Clerk/RFO	Mr Ian Turner
	Public	Mrs Deborah McGowan Mrs Elizabeth Mawson Mr Andrew Williams

**Item**

**1 Apologies**

Cllr Dr Craig Ashton

**2 Announcements from the Chair**

**2.1** The Chair announced that he had received a written request from Mr Andrew Williams to join the Parish Council. He was nominated by the Chair, seconded by Cllr Eastwood and there were no objections. Cllr Williams signed the 'Declaration of Acceptance of Office' and took his seat.

**2.2** The Clerk asked Councillors who hadn't already, to complete the Pecuniary Interest forms and return them to him as soon as possible.

**3 Declarations of interest by councillors in respect to agenda items**

None

**4 Minutes of the previous meeting of 6<sup>th</sup> May 2014**

These were **unanimously** accepted as a fair and accurate representation of the meeting.

**4.1** Cllr Goulding said that he had been in touch with the Cumbria County Council (CCC) Highways Department regarding traffic in the village. He said that he had received an email from Mr Craig McCarron informing him of a traffic survey of the road under the bridge being scheduled for this summer.

**4.2** Cllr Goulding informed the Council that a decorative lifebelt had been removed by him, from the jetty.

**4.3** The Chair informed the Council that, while the trailer left by the Dog Club had been moved, it had still not had permission from the Council to be there. He asked the Clerk to contact the Dog Club to clarify the situation. The Clerk **agreed** to do this.

## **5 Public participation**

- 5.1** The Chair welcomed Mrs McGowan from 'Open Adventure' who talked about the forthcoming coast to coast cycle race starting from the village on 27<sup>th</sup> June. She said that she wished to build community support for the event and had been visiting the businesses in the village. She said that the majority of participants would be camping in the school grounds prior to the start. She said that the event had started with some 250 riders four years ago, but this year entries had topped 900. The Chair thanked Mrs McGowan for her address, and asked the Clerk to post information regarding this on the website. The Clerk **agreed** to do this.
- 5.2** The Chair welcomed Mrs Mawson to the meeting. Mrs Mawson presented the Council with her progress made so far on the project to redesign the seafront play ground. She announced the establishment of the 'Seascale Community Beach Park Project', and read a report (supplied) of their intentions. She asked if the Parish Council would supply a letter giving permission to survey the land, and provisional approval. This was unanimously approved by the Council. The Chair thanked Mrs Mawson for her efforts on this, and for taking the time to update the Parish Council. He asked the Clerk to write the letter requested by them. The Clerk **agreed** to do this.

## **6 Reports from Committees and Councillors**

- 6.1** The Council received a report from the Finance & General Purpose Committee. The Chair asked the Councillors if they would endorse the purchase of portable goalposts for the Seascale Football Club, to be reimbursed by the Mid-Copeland Partnership. This received **unanimous** support from Councillors. The Chair asked the Clerk to order them. The Clerk **agreed** to do this.
- 6.2** Cllr Mawson reported that he had attended a meeting organised by NuGen on their plans for traffic management around any new site. Cllr Mawson considers their plans to be ill-considered and believes that the problems on the A595 will be worse than they imagine.

## **7 Finance**

- 7.1** The Council received a report from the RFO on the finance of the Parish (supplied).
- 7.2** The RFO asked the Council to consider requests for payment, which were **unanimously** accepted (supplied).

## **8 To consider quotes and repairs in the Parish**

The Council **unanimously** accepted the proposal that J&I Garner undertake work to fix the lights on the seafront for the quote offered.

## **9 To consider any planning issues**

- 9.1** The Council recommended allowing application number 4/15/2167, an extension and shed at 3 Scawfell Crescent.
- 9.2** The Council recommended allowing application number 4/15/2004, the refurbishment and replacement of two conservatories at 2 Croft Head Road.
- 9.3** The Council recommended rejecting application number 4/14/2105, the erection of two 110m wind turbines at Church House Farm in Calderbridge, for the same reasons outlined the first time this project was opposed last year.

**10 To receive a report on the Seafront Amenity Area**

The Chair reported that attempts made by Morgan Sindall to mark the car park had been thwarted by the weather. They had put down temporary markings in the meantime, but did not appear to have started to use the area, or paid any money in to the account. There was some discussion about how the markings would be fixed after the contract had been completed.

**11 Correspondence**

The Chair indicated that he had been handed a letter bemoaning the infestation of the golf course with rabbits. The Chair reiterated the Parish Council's attempts to control these pests.

**12 Urgent items raised by councillors**

**12.1** Cllr Mawson asked the Clerk to make the regular police report available at his earliest convenience. The Clerk **agreed** to do this.

**12.2** Cllr Ritson hoped that NuGen might be convinced to help fund the Viking Way.

**12.3** There was some discussion over the location of two planters supplied by Cllr Ritson. This was resolved.

**12.4** Cllr Eastwood was upset by the standard of trains that were being run up the line by Direct Rail Services. She said that many people that she had spoken to in the village said that they were noisy and smelly, and the coaches were practically antiques. Cllr Williams mentioned that some of his customers were pleased to see these trains, as they reminded them of the past. The Chair asked the Clerk to write to the train operators (Northern Rail) to complain on the Parishes behalf. The Clerk **agreed** to do this.

**12.5** Cllr Williams was concerned that the companies involved in upgrading the broadband in the village were not doing enough to tidy up and reinstate the works area, particularly on Drigg Road. He said he would monitor the situation.

**12.6** The Chair was upset at the lack of response from the property owners on Gosforth Road, where their hedges were protruding on to the footpath and causing a hazard. He asked the Clerk to write to the CCC Highways Department about this. The Clerk **agreed** to do this.

**13 Dates of forthcoming meetings**

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be at 7pm on Wednesday the 1<sup>st</sup> July in the Methodist Schoolroom.