

Minutes
of the
Seascale Parish Council Meeting
held on
Wednesday 4th July 2018
In the Methodist School Room Seascale

Present:

Chair Cllr Brian Goulding

Councillors Cllr Eileen Eastwood
 Cllr David Halliday
 Cllr Ken Mawson
 Cllr David Moore
 Cllr David Ritson

Clark/ RFO Ms Jill Bush

Public	C Fox	S McGrath	L Frankland	C Steele
	I Singleton	L Fidler	L Brown	A Jones
	M Heel	M Kane	S Walken	C Green
	A Hanshaw	S Hetherington	J Watson	M Arnold
	S Arnold	C Walker	M Riss	J Bell
	B Jackson	P LeMaine	A Spokes	J Young
	K Roddis	D Roddis	B Baunside	D McCrum
	K Donald	M Fox	K Waldren	S Waldren
	P Krukowski	M Fleet	L Fleet	J Thomas
	D Thomas	R Warnick	Cllr P Turner	

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ITEM

1. Apologies

Cllr Craig Ashton
Cllr Catherine Harvey-Chadwick
Cllr Lizzie Mawson

2. Announcements from the Chair

2.1 Cllr Ritson welcomed back onto the Council

2.2 A meeting to be arranged with the Seascale Foreshore Community Project Committee. The Cllrs are urged to attend; however, this meeting will be closed to the public.
Cllr Moore gave his apologies he would be unable to attend

3. Declarations of Interest by Councillors in respect of Agenda items

Cllr K Mawson

4. Minutes of the previous meeting of 6th June 2018

Proposed Cllr Eastwood and seconded Cllr Halliday

5. Matters Arising

(2.2) CCTV covering the play area regarding dog control. The Chair is negotiating a meeting with the enforcement office

(6.) The funding comes from LLWR and goes into the Copeland Community fund

(7.2) Update. There has been an onsite meeting with Copeland Open Spaces. Beck grille has been cleared and the Dell has been cut. BMX track will be repaired and cut along with other areas covered under this contact.

Cllr K Mawson noted Church Hall Green has been cut. It transpires this carried out by Copeland BC arranged, although not responsible for this

(12.1) Cllr K Mawson noted train timetables regarding stops at Seascale is incorrect

(14.2) Cllr K Mawson noted the railway shelter was also damaged on the same night as the fence, so it would appear these were possibly acts vandalism. The damaged fence has been reported to National Rail but has not yet been repaired

Due to public interest the Chair moved item 9 (planning applications) to be the next item with public participation to follow. The Chair invited the chair of the planning committee to take over. The Chair read out a communication received from the developer who had requested it was submitted to the PC.

6. Planning Applications

- CCC 4/17/9017 - Seascale School - Conditions 5 traffic management plan **Continued Objection**
- Condition 13 Ecology **No Objection**
- CH/4/18/2234/0F1 – Removal of Cond. 3 & Variation of Cond. 4 of Planning Approval
4/17/2197/0F1 Halsenna Lane, Seascale **No Objection**
- CH/4/18/2252/0F1 – Sellafield - Construction of Single Storey Welfare Accommodation & refurbishment of existing workshop and provision of storage facilities **No Objection**
- CH/4/18/2266/0F1 – Land at Black How 10 x 2 bed bungalows & removal of existing buildings including 6 Scawfell Crescent for creation of new access
This is a re-submission of an earlier planning application. Concerns raised both by the PC and the members of the public who attended this meeting. **Strong Objection**

7. Public Participation

The unprecedented number of parishioners attending this meeting is directly the result of concerns raised about the Black How planning application above.

Public participation was opened with a statement read out by Mr Arnold setting out numerous valid points raised by the residents affected, including the demolition of 6 Scawfell Crescent. This is a semi-detached dwelling and Mr Arnold read out the impact it will have on the people living in the connected semi and its likely detrimental impact. Not only from a noise, privacy and traumatic impact, but also the structural risks because of the way these properties were constructed.

The above concerns raised by Mr Arnold regarding road safety, safety issues for pedestrians, parking issues, loss of protected species habitat, impact of increased development in an area prone to flooding and loss of quality of life were endorsed by other parishioners.

NOTE: Specific detail about the formal objections have been excluded from these minutes but have been set out in the objections submitted to the planning authority. These can be released following the planning authority's decision.

8. County Cllr Paul Turner

Supported the PC and the comments made in the public participation regarding the planning application item above and noted the fire brigade have been used to alleviate flooding.

He attended a Crash meeting and two SID machines have been placed in the village, one by the school and one entering the village. Cllr Turner will request the data from this.

The area behind the clinic is still subject to flooding. Cllr Turner is still waiting for a response from the relevant department. Cllr Moore expressed concern that funding was received at County level and is not being used for the purpose it was intended.

9. Reports from the Councillors & Working Groups

- 9.1** Cllr Halliday found that the F&G WG only really need to meet during the period between January & March to set the precept budget and prepare for the annual audit. All other matters have been dealt prior to or during the full council meetings.
- 9.2** Co-opted Councillors. The number of parish councillors will be reduced to eight and in May the County will be seeking nominations for council candidates. However, the PC will promote an interest in the community for those who like to consider becoming a parish councillor.
- 9.3** Cllr Moore reported at a recent meeting with NDA, at which he pointed out that they were actually in year 2 and the PC have not received any payment. They have agreed to issue a letter to their finance department that the first payment will be for £30,000.
- 9.4** The Chair expanded on his announcement ref 2.2 above expressing concerns the play area is not up to standard for the PC to take it over. The Chair looked at a partial report available, which contained areas of concern. The RoSPA inspection organised by the installers not only inspected their build but had to take into account the build that Charity Committee was carrying out, It was due to their findings that a meeting is to be carried out to discuss these findings. Cllr K Mawson expressed concern there were large screws sticking out of some of the installations and questioned how it could be signed off. This would be due to further installations have been carried out after this inspection and these will also need to be inspected. A further accredited RoSPA inspection to sign off the whole site is required before official handover can occur. Otherwise the PC would become liable for any areas of concerns not covered by RoSPA.

The PC want to invite the Charity Committee to a meeting to discuss this. Cllr Moore explained a RoSPA inspection needs to take place each month for insurance purposes. Copeland used to carry out these inspections, however due to the ongoing cost of these inspections, Council agreed one of their Cllrs attend a RoSPA course, so these inspections and reports can be carried out in-house. A final RoSPA inspection carried out by a senior inspector could be conducted by Copeland and this is something which can also be discussed at the meeting the following week.

Whilst it was agreed the official opening day was a success, concern has been raised whether food and drink license were applied for and there appeared to be no first aid facilities. (update the Charity have advised they are too busy to meet due to family/business commitments and extended out of school activities and asked for it to be deferred until the w/c 23 July)

10. Finance

- 10.1** National Rail sent an invoice to be paid by a said date, however this was also taken out by D/D. The clerk will contact them about a refund. **Clerk to action**
- 10.2** As at 30 June no payment has been received from Sellafield
- 10.3** RFO balance of the reconciled May Cash Book Balances is £47,731.80 and the bank A/C's closing balance was £53,415.70. This was because there were £1,816.10 outstanding payments and £7,500.00 outstanding credits. Proposed by Cllr Moore and seconded by Cllr Ritson.
- 10.4** Council agreed the open spaces invoice, which was withheld last month, can be released. The BMX track will be repaired as per contract
- 10.5** Council agreed payment for the Sports Hall drain clearance
- 10.6** Any cost incurred by Cllr K Mawson for the replacement of the manhole cover will be met by SPC
- 10.7** Payment requests approved.

11. To Consider matters pertaining to Parish Assets

11.1 Foreshore Play Area

Deferred

11.2 Toilet Block Refurbishment

The Chair reported the work is ongoing and continuing well

- 11.3** The meeting with CCC did not occur due to some of the Cllrs were away on business and others for family commitment reasons. The PC has apologised to CCC for this unfortunate set of circumstances. Council agree to sign up to the library Service Level Agreement for a 2-year period, providing the detail does not tie the PC to unreasonable requirements.

The Cllrs on the library committee will be Cllrs Eastwood, Halliday and Ritson. Cllr Moore does not want to be part of the committee but will be the named point of contact. Ms Jan Nichols who worked in the library and Ms Liz Bowle (who was previously responsible for all the northern Cumbrian libraries) have expressed interest in getting involved and Cllr Moore will be contacting them in the near future.

Cllr Moore was also able to report that Morgan Sindall will fund the cost of any refurbishment the library needs.

12. To consider matters relating to the Highway and Transport

- 12.1** Cllr K Mawson noted the condition of the stretch of road between Seascale to Gosforth is very poor. Cllr Turner advised when the A595 was upgraded this did not extend to roads leading off it.

13. Correspondence

- 13.1** John McElroy has stepped down as chairman. The SPC are very much saddened by this news and would like him to reconsider. Letter to that effect to be sent. Clerk to action. Actioned
- 13.2** School crossing patrol team and possibility of shift gaps from September now Catherine has resigned. This is a County level matter and believe it should have it should have this and Cllr Turner will be chasing this matter
- 13.3** CALC forwarded a correspondence from the ICO regarding GDPR. Parish councils do not require a DPO but to ensure they are signed up to the ICO. SPC are already signed up members. It has also been confirmed that the parish website meets and exceeds all the requirements
- 13.4** Another invoice from Water Plus arrived in Seascale addressed to SPC requesting payment for the pub and carpark! Water Plus have been advised SPC do not have a pub and carpark
- 13.5** Email from Copeland requesting a list of the new equipment at the Seascale Play Area so it can carry out the monthly checks. The clerk advised the Parish Council removed the play equipment inspections off the contract last year.

14 Urgent items raised by Councillors

- 14.1** Larger sign to inform when blue bays can be used may be required as the current sign is rather small. Whilst at present there are few contractors are using these blue bays, they have been advised where they can obtain a permit. Once the Sellafield onsite restrictions
- 14.2** Replacement dog control signs are needed. The Chair is in contact with enforcement regarding this and physical dog control enforcement. Cllr K Mawson is concerned by the lack of signs as dog walkers are continuing to let their dogs use restricted areas. The Chair is updating the notice boards and the website has a map setting out the restriction areas

15 Dates of forth coming Meeting

Full Meeting Wednesday 5th September