### **Draft Minutes**

of the meeting of

#### **Seascale Parish Council**

held on

# Wednesday 5th October 2016 at 7pm

in the Methodist School Room, Seascale

Present Chair Cllr Brian Goulding

Councillors Cllr Craig Ashton

Cllr Eileen Eastwood Cllr David Halliday

Cllr Catherine Harvey-Chadwick

Cllr Ken Mawson Cllr David Moore

Clerk/RFO Ms Jill Bush

Public Mr Bran Harvey-Chadwick

Mrs Brenda Parsons Ms Barbara Ramsden

#### Item

# 1 Apologies

Cllr David Ritson

#### 2 Announcements from the Chair

None

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

None

# 4 Minutes of the previous meeting of 7<sup>th</sup> September 2016

Public attendees at this meeting. Ms Mandy Taylor did attend and raised concerns about carpark H&S. The clerk apologises to Ms Taylor for this oversight. The minutes were **proposed and agreed** based on this inclusion.

### **4.1** Matters arising from that meeting

- a) Chair to contact highways regarding bridge mirror
- **b)** Clerk read out a statement from CALC regarding if a serving Councillor of the Parish Council can become a Trustee of the SRA.

**c)** Re: cricket field, as season finished, quotes to be requested Steve Brown and from available suppliers, in readiness for next year's season.

### 5 Public Participation

- **5.1** Brenda Parsons asked if any Councillor's represented the meeting about pylons installation along the west coast. The parishioner was advised none were able to attend as it clashed with the present Council meeting.
- **5.2** Brenda Parsons also reported wire on the beach. Chair noted this.
- 5.3 Brenda Parsons referred to a vexatious notification letter she had received from the Parish Council which contained the Clerks name but not the Clerks' signature. The Clerk asked if she wanted a signature added to the letter. Brenda Parsons said she did. A signature was added to the letter.
- 5.4 Barbara Ramsden referred to an article written in the Whitehaven News regarding the West Cumberland Hospital and the possibility of units being transferred to Carlisle. Such as emergencies and maternity. A 'Success Regime' was launched on 28<sup>th</sup> September with the opportunity for the public to raise any concerns they had. The Council to supply the link onto the website and make a formal objection to any proposal to move emergency and critical care to Carlisle.

# **6** Reports from Committees and Councillors

- **6.1** Statement from David Moore regarding Brabara Ramsdens' concerns (5.4) Links have been downloaded from their site and put on the Parish website. Dave Moore will download the 'Success Regime' form for next months meeting for a formal response.
- Nuclear Striders have created a John Dalton Walk and request permission to erect a Plaque in his memory at Seascale, the walks end. It was asked if the Council would provide funding. A proposal to allow the Plaque but not the funding was
  - unanimously agreed.
- 6.3 Lamppost damage. Metcalfe have agreed to pay for the repair, however the lamp posts, the Chair has been advised these were supplied at our cost by Cumbria Council Council. Chair sent an email to CCC. No reply received to date.
- 6.4 Seascale Village LED street lights parishioners have complained they are not as efficient and effective as the previous lighting. The LEDs provide only tunnel lighting leaving pedestrians in relative darkness between the lights. Clerk to contact Council. Clerk spoke to Highways Copeland representative there is a redesign being considered and will be doing a street survey Tuesday night 11<sup>th</sup> October. Will take photos of problem areas and report will be forwarded to Carlisle.
- 6.5 Letter to Doug Coyle at County Council for Flood Officer asking who is responsible for the maintenance for the concrete catchment tanks for the surface water there are ongoing maintenance concerns regarding the Persimmon site. Clerk to send letter the Flood Alleviation Officer Email sent 9<sup>th</sup>
- 6.6 Cllr Moore requested the Clerk to contact Community-Connections-for-Health-Copeland to ask if they could give a talk at one of our meetings. Age Uk has kindly consented and their representative will be giving a talk at the next full

- meeting.
- **6.7** Seascale cricket club have had a very successful season. Clerk to send letter of congratulations. Letter sent

#### 7 Finance

- 7.1 Finance balance report read out
- 7.2 Transparency report on website and Council meets all legal requirements.
- 7.3 A request to copies of unaudited accounts and bank statements regarding payments from Morgan Sindall has been refused and upheld by the ICO. However, an offer to make available said documents in a redacted format for viewing at the meeting was made and were available. None of the public present asked to view.

# 8 To Consider any Planning Issues

None - Planning Apps' to go through PC to agree and submit preference

# 9 To Consider Matter appertaining to Parish Assets

- 9.1 Play Area Will need planning permission. Parishioner Ms Parsons raised a concern about children playing in the car park given its close proximity to the play area. The Chair has signed the application on behalf of the Parish Council.
- 9.2 Library Chair requested that Cllr East wood and Cllr Moore look into the forming of a subcommittee, with the inclusion of Public involvement. Meet in the library. Put together a business case, charitable trust, or social enterprise. Look for source of funding to build in Library a disabled toilet. Estimated Annual running cost is approximately £8-10,000 p.a.
- 9.3 Morgan Sindall has been requested by the Chair to have permits on their cars. A notice to go up advising unoccupied permit spaces after 9.00am are available to the public.

# 10 To consider matters relating to Highways and Transport

**10.1** Croft End Road – Trench leading to road closure, but only for a short period of time.

### 11 Correspondence

**11.1** Copeland policing team changing the way they deliver crime figures

## 12 Urgent items raised by Councillors

- **12.1** National Grid holding workshop at Muncaster Castle. 2 reps from each council can attend. Clerk has contacted National Grid and given the names of the two representatives for Seascale PC. The workshop has now been deferred.
- 12.2 Chair requested permission to order a sign for the car park informing the public that after 9am there are no restrictions on parking bays. It was agreed that this could go ahead.
- **12.3** Chair requested to contact the Police and request that they attend at least one

- meeting to meet the council.
- **12.4** Cllr Moore asked about National Grid and the meeting. This meeting has now been changed and is an agenda item.
- 12.5 Cllr Moore raised the question regarding the Marine Landing and suggested that we have a presentation so that the public have a chance to ask questions, Councillors expressed a view that they would like a presentation, Cllr Moore said he would organise it.
- 12.6 Cllr Moore reported that Sellafield will not allow people off site between 08:30am and 4:30pm due to security; this has greatly affected the shops in Seascale reported losses of 50% of their income in some shops. Cllr Moore suggests that a letter be sent from the council to Sellafield, supporting our local businesses and expressing our concerns as to the decisions taken hiding behind security and the decision was taken without any consideration of the local businesses. Clerk to send letter. Letter sent
- 12.8 Cllr Mawson requested that a letter be sent to Metcalf's the builders who worked on the sea defences expressing our thanks for the work and the way they conducted themselves. Clerk to send letter. Waiting confirmation of which Metcalfe the Builders
- **12.9** Chair to look for contract regarding grass cutting and contact John Davidson regarding Arch Hill.
- **12.10** The chair informed the meeting of the agreement signed on behalf of the council has been forwarded to the Solicitors for Morgan Sindell and the request that they arrange for badges to be displayed by their employees.

### 13 Dates of forthcoming meetings

Full Council meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> November