

Lindal and Marton Parish Council

Chairman
A Waite
4 Silver Street
Marton
Nr Ulverston
Cumbria LA12 0NQ
Tel 01229 46292

Councillors:- Mr A Waite (462922) Mrs S Glover (462383) Mrs S Kelly (465343) Mrs C Stringer (464781) Mr N Fleming (466040)

Clerk
J Smith
7 East View
Lindal-in-Furness
Cumbria LA12 0LG
Tel 01229 467261
jackjan1@live.co.uk

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 2nd January 2025 at 7.30 pm. in the Buccleuch Hall, Lindal.

Present:- Councillors A Waite; Mrs S Glover; Mrs S Kelly; Mrs C Stringer; N Fleming.

Apologies:- N/A

Also present: No members of the public were present.

In attendance None.

Apologies From Cumbria Constabulary and W&F Councillor Dan Edwards

1/25 Urgent business. Items normally needing to be publicised but received too late for the agenda. (Section 100B (4) (b) Local Government Act 1972)

None.

2/25 Disclosure of interests. Requests for dispensations.

None.

3/25 Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 5th December 2024

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 5th December, 2024, were taken as read and APPROVED.

PROPOSED: - Councillor Mrs Glover: SECONDED: - Councillor Fleming. Carried unanimously.

4/25 Matters arising from those minutes.

None.

5/25 Attendance of officer from Cumbria Constabulary

No officers in attendance but details submitted: -

- 1) A labradoodle dog reported as biting a member of the public in Marton. Neither the dog nor its owner were apprehended.
- 2) A drunken male reported on the A590 who was picked up.

6/25 Heritage Programme. Update on current position.

Councillors Fleming and Mrs Glover both reported that they were making progress with the outstanding items in the Heritage programme. These involved materials for the computer tablet which would be based in St Peter's Church as part of the mining history exhibition.

7/25 Planning applications relating to the Parish

B18/2022/0332. Use of land and buildings (part retrospective) and associated retrospective engineering operations, for mixed use of agriculture, building contractors yard, outdoor storage, and workshop, Tytup Smallholdings, Lindal.

Members registered their concern regarding the way in which this site had been allowed to develop over several years, seemingly with sporadic approvals dating back some fifteen years or so but with a lack of appropriate authorisations latterly, the result being that approvals were now being sought retrospectively. It would appear that, in recent years, planning applications had been anticipated on numerous occasions, in order to regularise the situation, with nothing materialising until this current application.

The Parish Council had made clear over the years its dissatisfaction with the situation, emphasising how local residents had repeatedly complained over what was perceived to be illicit dumping of waste materials and the burning of possibly environmentally hazardous items. However, it was noted that the applicant had asserted that the waste in question had always been builders' rubble which was then crushed for in-filling across the site.

It was also recognised that this was a somewhat complex matter and that some activities could be classified as Permitted Development, linked to previous approvals as well as the length of time they had been in operation.

It was then PROPOSED by Councillor Fleming and SECONDED by Councillor Mrs Kelly that, whilst the history of the site and its apparent flouting of planning regulations would normally result in a recommendation by the Parish Council to have the application

refused, it considers that, for the sake of regularising the situation, with final clarification of all outstanding issues, it should put its trust in the members of the Planning Committee to make an appropriate determination. This would be in the context of all those developments which had neither formal approval nor the status of Permitted Development, having been carefully assessed by planning officers.

Particular attention should be paid to those items which have been of specific concern to residents in the immediate vicinity of the site, i.e., the dumping of waste, the illicit burning of materials and the care of animals on the site. Where necessary, appropriate restrictions should be applied to control such activities.

Carried unanimously

8/25 Correspondence.

- a) Planning applications, all of the Borough, previously circulated to members, on-line.

9/25 Finance

- 1) balances: - *Current* - £50: *Festivals* - £169.05- *Reserve* - £10560.43
- 2) Payments recently made, for formal authorisation.
 - a) Great North Air Ambulance, donation, £150.

It was PROPOSED by Councillor Mrs Kelly and SECONDED by Councillor Mrs Glover that such payment be duly authorised. Carried unanimously.
- 3) Details regarding the proposed precept for 2025/26 (previously circulated to members) were discussed. It was PROPOSED by Councillor Mrs Kelly and SECONDED by Councillor Mrs Stringer that the requirement for the coming financial year should remain as the current year, i.e., £5,000. Carried unanimously.

10/25 Any Other Business.

- 1) Councillor Mrs Kelly raised the question of motorists ignoring the 20 mph speed limit in Lindal, pointing out that signs at the roadside were not very noticeable and that signs painted on the road surface would be more helpful. The Clerk agreed to remind Highways of this outstanding requirement.
- 2) Councillor Mrs Kelly mentioned the accumulation of litter on the Dalton Bypass, the Clerk confirming that he would advise the appropriate W&F officers.
- 3) Councillor Mrs Stringer confirmed that final costs were available regarding the Senior Citizens' Christmas Party and that she would be submitting details in order to receive the Parish Council's normal subsidy.

11/25 Date and time of next meeting. The date and time of the next meeting was AGREED as Thursday 6th February, 2025, at 7.30 pm in the Buccleuch Hall, Lindal.

(Council meetings are open to the public and all are welcome to attend. Agendas and minutes can be supplied by email to any resident on request and similarly, they can be seen, along with other documents, on the community website, www.lindal-in-furness.co.uk)