

## Staveley with Ings Parish Council

### Minutes of Staveley with Ings Parish Council meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> April 2021 By virtual meeting (Zoom) – 7.15 p.m.

**Present:** Cllrs M. Kidd, A.Capstick, Y. Cannon, A. Salisbury, D.Michel, P. Riley, M.Powell, G. Wilkinson,C. Johnson, A. Pimblett, P. Harrison,SLDC Councillor, H. Hodgson, CCC Councillor S. Collins, Mrs J Lee (Clerk) Members of the public present: 11

**1/21 Apologies:** S. Mawson, Craig Cowperthwaite United Utilities (bereavement)

**2/21 Declarations of interest-** Cllr Anne Salisbury declared an interest in Planning Application 7/2021/5247.

**3/21 Minutes:** it was resolved that the Chairman be authorised to sign the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2021

#### **4/21 Public Participation**

- The planning application re 1 High Knott Barn was strongly opposed by a neighbour. He has written 2 letters of objection to LDNP
- There was support for the Abbey Care Home proposal. Sue Walley has a list of names who would like to be involved with moving forward.
- There was a request from residents wishing to take part in improving Ings Playing Field. Ings village Hall has offered to donate funds towards the gardening of the area and wish to have a joint gardening scheme. John Morris who looks after the playground maintenance will need to be informed. This needs to be an Agenda item in May. Cllr Paul Riley volunteered to draft a scheme and bring this to next meeting. There is support in the village to get involved.
- A complaint was made re the proliferation of signs at Ings garage. A new sign for Amazon has appeared that is bright blue.

#### **5/21 Planning Applications**

##### **a) New Planning Applications:**

**7/2021/5196: 1 High Knott Barn, Ings.** Amendment of local occupancy condition to correspond with Draft Housing Supplementary Planning Document. Redevelopment of agricultural building to two local needs dwellings. **Objected to by all Councillors**

**7/2021/5213: The Tavern, Billy's Space, 63 Main St. Staveley.** Change of use from Business to Provision of Education. Extension requested to defer decision until relevant information available from Cumbria Highways.

**7/2021/5247: Newlands, Crook Rd.** 3 number polytunnels. **Withdrawn**

##### **b) To note Planning Applications determined since last meeting**

**7/2021/5132: Ings Service Station, Ings.** To increase hours of operation of filling station. **Withdrawn as permission not needed.**

**7/2021/5042: 14 Seedfield, Staveley.** Loft conversion and internal alterations. **Approved**

**T/2021/009: Curlew Cottage, Staveley.** Cutting back of branches of two horse chestnut trees.

**7/2021/5063: High Reston Farm, Staveley.** Hay/Feed & Farm Machinery store **Approved with conditions.**

**7/2021/5163: Park House, Hall Lane, Staveley.** Agricultural storage for tractors and machinery. **For information only.**

**7/2020/5820: Premises, School Lane, Staveley.** Resubmission of 7/2020/5451: Demolition of existing building, erection of single storey building. Change of use from builders store to office and store. **Approved with Conditions**

**c) To note Planning Applications still outstanding:**

**7/2020/5661: Fairbank Farm, Staveley:** Installation of new access bridge with associated landscaping.

**7/2020/5664: Fairbank Farm, Staveley.** Change of use of Agricultural Barns to Wedding venue with associated infrastructure and ancillary facilities.

**7/2020/5555: Land off Danes Road, Staveley.** Development of office/light industrial units with associated parking.

**7/2021/5046: Land at Borwick Fold, Crook.** Demolition of modern agricultural buildings. Conversion of stone barn into 2 two bedroomed houses for local occupancy.

**6/21 1 High Knott Barn, Ings – planning appeal –** Previous objections to be reiterated to the Appeal hearing.

**7/21 Craig Cowperthwaite United Utilities-** Staveley Flood Risk Management scheme Unfortunately Craig was unable to attend due to a bereavement and sent his apologies. There is a proposal to use Kentmere Tarn to act as a flood basin. The Environment Agency produces a useful newsletter. This is currently circulated to Councillors. It was suggested that the newsletter be put on the website and Facebook.

**8/21 Abbey Care Home-**

CCC has decided to close the home permanently. The results of the consultation showed the majority favouring extra care housing plus a 10 bed unit small nursing home; this is considered not to be viable. No providers are interested. There are now 2 options left, sell on the open market or sell to a Community group - **preferred option.**

A Community Development proposal has been presented by a team led by David Brockbank. The site would be acquired by a specially set up community group with all but the main building knocked down. 30 secure units plus extra care housing are proposed and the site would have a cafe incorporated with a doctor's surgery and a pharmacy. Community agreement to this scheme is needed. An organisation called Bricks and Soul also have a proposal. Michelle Rothwell has been asked for a summary which she will present at a future date.

Cllr Wilkinson commented that Councillors do not want to rush into too fast. Part of the plan is to extend to Fire Station. There would be parking issues if the Doctors surgery is moved. No decision should be made until after the Parish elections and Unitary authority decision. A public Community meeting is needed.

Cllr Deb Michel's proposal has been circulated :

- There is evidence of **support from residents** of Staveley with Ings for any specific proposal,
- the Abbey will be **owned** by the community and it will have an on-going say, though a management group, in what it offers and the criteria for admission,
- there is an initial **steering group that is made up of residents of Staveley with Ings, including Parish Councillors** and, if needed, co-opted members with appropriate experience and expertise,

- a clear but **realistic** vision of how The New Abbey might develop, that includes extra care housing for vulnerable and older adults and additional use for the main building,
- clarity about how initial funding will be acquired and how the New Abbey will be financially sustainable in the long term.

A new public consultation is needed to decide the best way forward. The village hall coffee mornings could be affected. The junction is busy with wagons No decision on any plan should be made tonight as there is a process to go through.

An amendment was forwarded that the Parish Council doesn't commit at the moment (G.Wilkinson), P.Harrison seconded. Need to have a public consultation first then decide what we do next,7 in favour. **Agreed**.

A steering group needs to be set up, followed by a public consultation survey to establish what the residents want.

There is a need to establish if Cumbria County Council has a timescale. Expertise is needed. Fran Richardson was proposed to be on group along with John Mitchell and Deb Michel.

**9/21 Sewerage and Flood plan group update** Cllr P. Harrison circulated a flood report .Jonathan Coates (EA) has recalibrated the river gauge. The discharge of sewerage is getting worse. The meeting with UU that was scheduled didn't take place today as United Utilities felt they didn't have the information needed to go ahead. Confirmation of the remit and mission statement of the Sewerage group was to have been made. The meeting is to be rearranged.

There was a proposal for flood group to get together to discuss utilising the balance of £1158 remaining from the Flood Resilience grant on any resources that are needed.

**10/21 Community Plan** – 2 parts: 10 year plan and an annual plan. By the 30th April a streamlined plan will be ready to bring back to the Parish Council. There will then be a public meeting to showcase the plan. 35 people have been recruited who are willing to contribute to the work involved.

**11/21 Poor Field Tenancy** 3 bids were received. Martin Black, Harry Nelson, Matt Fawcett. The highest bid of £250 p.a. from Matt Fawcett was accepted by the majority.

**12/21 The Greening Campaign** 18 people attended the Zoom meeting. The SENS group offered help to deliver cards that state the agreed aims to reduce carbon emissions, in the village. 3 scarecrows are to be placed in street to encourage people to take and display the cards

**13/21 Allotments update** –. Work on the new allotments is going well. George Edington has started work on Fell Foot allotments boundary wall.

**14/21 Parish Council elections 6<sup>th</sup> May 2021**

Parish Council elections will go ahead on the 6<sup>th</sup> May. Nomination papers must be handed in to SLDC by 4.00 pm on the 8<sup>th</sup> May 2021. S.Mawson has stated that he will not be standing again.

**15/21 Next Meeting AGM** – The AGM must be held within 14 days after a Parish Election. Councillors did not want to hold a face to face meeting in May as they felt the Covid risks were too great. It was suggested that the AGM could be held over Zoom.

**16/21 Reserves Policy** This policy ensures that adequate balances are maintained. The policy was approved.

**17/21 Correspondence:** List of correspondence received has been circulated

A query regarding access to Williamson monument has been made. There is no public right of way and it is up to the landowner, Mr Isaac Benson, to grant access. Parish Council felt that the remit of this lay with the Wainwright’s Society or Ramblers.

A query was received regarding a burial site in Ings. The company that had carried out the burial no longer exists.

**18/21 Finance**

The Provisional outturn report for year 2020/2021 was presented. Appointment of internal auditor, Jack Jones was approved.

**Income**

- Community Land trust re Frona Williams allotments £ 2,236.20
- Allotments rent income ( to date) £ 646.50

**Payments**

- Cllr Kidd- Zoom conference subs £ 14.39
- Staveley Together donation given by J A Rayner £ 300.00
- Cllr A. Salisbury- allotment materials £ 24.79
- Cllr Salisbury – printer cartridge re allotment tenancies £ 29.97
  
- R G. Parkins- Crook Rd Design further work carried out £ 450.00
- Cllr Salisbury – printing costs (Ashley house) re Greening Campaign £ 186.00
- Lakes Line User Group – Annual subscription £ 13.00
- Zurich Municipal – Annual Insurance £ 1,243.28

**19/21 Date of next meeting** To be arranged

Signed ..... (Chairman)

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