

**Minutes of the Meeting of Claife Parish Council held on Tuesday 30 June 2009 at 7.30pm at High Wray Village Hall**

Present

**Councillors:** Dr C Lane (Chairman) Mr R Shuttleworth Mr J Mallett and Mr R Brown and Clerk Mr VM Phillips

**Members of the public:** Dr J Burgoyne Mr J Moffat and Councillor C Salisbury

**Minutes of the Meeting of 19 May 2009** were approved and signed.

**Co-option of Councillors**

- (a) The Council resolved to co-opt Mrs A Brodie as a Councillor for Claife Lower Ward subject to receiving her acceptance upon her return from holiday.
- (b) The Council resolved to co-opt Ms Y Pavelyn as a Councillor for Claife Upper Ward. Ms Pavelyn signed a Declaration of Acceptance of Office and Registration of Financial and Other Interests forms for return to South Lakeland District Council.

**Matters arising from the Minutes**

- (a) ***Cumbria Highways -Traffic Issues:***
  - (i) *Single yellow lines - Near Sawrey:* The Clerk was asked to clarify with Cumbria Highways the position with regard to the provision of single yellow lines in Near Sawrey which the Chairman believed had already been agreed with Jim Bland, Cumbria County Councillor. Mr Mallett pointed out that he believed there was already in existence a single yellow line on the eastern side of the road to Belle Green Farm which had become obliterated over the years with the re-surfacing of the road. Claire Salisbury, recently elected County Councillor, said she would make enquiries.
  - (ii) *Speed limits - Near Sawrey:* The Council wished to proceed with the imposition of speed limits in Near and Far Sawrey. The Clerk was asked to pursue the issue with Cumbria Highways.
  - (iii) *Old village signs:* The Council agreed to restore to their former glory the old Near and Far Sawrey village signs
- (b) ***Registering Claife Parish Council land:*** The Clerk agreed to ascertain from the Land Registry whether or not the quarry at Gill Bank, Colthouse was registered and if so in whose name as it was believed to be Council land.
- (c) ***Housing Needs Committee update:*** The Clerk reported that two sites had been identified for possible affordable housing

development. Further the Committee was to meet with Mr Adam Naylor, owner of the Bryerswood Estate, who had one or two other potential sites.

- (d) **Freedom of Information Act request - Hawkshead Parish Council:** The Clerk said that he had made a formal request to Hawkshead Parish Council for a full copy of the original Lease of the Old Police Station Car Park, Hawkshead, between Hawkshead Parish Council and the National Trust. He had also made a complaint to the Information Commissioner in respect of Hawkshead's failure to respond to the Council's request for a copy of the new Lease of the car park between the same parties.
- (e) **Windermere Ferry:** It was noted that Mr Melford had written to Cumbria County Council regarding technical and operational failings of the ferry. He had been asked in what capacity he was writing. It was agreed to form a Windermere Ferry Committee comprising Mr Shuttleworth and the Clerk with Mr Melford as technical consultant. A meeting would be sought with John Robinson, Highways Network Manager, Cumbria County Council.
- (f) **Induction Loop - Braithwaite Hall:** The Council noted that payment of the sum of £450-00 in respect of the induction loop at Braithwaite Hall had now been made.
- (g) **Tarn Hill Playground - Near Sawrey:** Following a meeting with the Tarn Hill Trust Committee the Trust had agreed to erect two signs, one designating the Council's land for car parking on the outside of the playground fence and the other on the inside inviting contributions to the maintenance of the playground to be made in the box provided.

## Finance

- (a) **Annual Return 2009:** The Annual Return had been submitted to BDO Stoy Hayward LLP for external audit.
- (b) **Accounts to pay:** It was agreed to pay Allianz the sum of £292-47 in respect of the insurance renewal premium for 2009/10.
- (c) The current account showed a balance of £4579-47

## Letters and Communications

- (a) **Ash Landing Car Park:** To prevent unauthorised parking Mr Shuttleworth was asked to obtain a price for erection of posts and provision of boulders.
- (b) **Braithwaite Hall - provision of disabled toilets:** Dr Burgoyne said that there was no lottery funding available for the provision of disabled toilets at Braithwaite Hall and he wondered if the Council might make a contribution. He was asked to furnish full details to enable the Council to consider his request further.
- (c) **Provision of temporary car parking for visitors to Hilltop Near Sawrey:** Mr Moffat said a field had been opened near Esthwaite Water for overflow car parking during the Spring bank holiday

week-end and had worked very well. From 11 July 2009 until 31 August 2009 that and another overflow car park in a field adjoining Wilfin Beck would be made available to visitors.

- (d) ***Japanese knotweed Sunnyside Near Sawrey***: Despite a request to do so it appeared that the owner of Sunnyside Near Sawrey had not taken action to remove Japanese knotweed from the property. The Clerk was asked to ascertain to whom complaint of such fact should be made.

### **Planning Matters**

- (a) ***Langrigg, Low Wray - alterations and extension to single detached dwelling house***: The Lake District National Park Authority had granted permission for this development.
- (b) ***High Wray Bank, High Wray - installation of lpg tank***: Retrospective permission was sought for the installation of an lpg tank. It had been pointed out to LDNPA the potential obstruction likely to be caused where deliveries of lpg had to be made from a tanker lorry parked on the highway.
- (c) ***The Old Vicarage, Low Wray - construction of a dormer window***: Permission had been granted for this development.
- (d) ***OS field 5369 - replacement boathouse***: The Council had no objection to what was proposed.

### **Date and time of next Meeting**

The next meeting would be held on 25 August 2009 at Braithwaite Hall Far Sawrey at 7.30pm.