

Minutes of a meeting of Underbarrow & Bradleyfield Parish Council held at Underbarrow Institute on Thursday 11th August 2022 at 7pm.

Present were Councillors: Peter Swindlehurst, (Vice-Chairman, in the Chair), Richard Carruthers and Sylvia Gibson, District Councillor John Holmes, Shadow Councillor Steve Bavin and Parish Clerk Kevin Price. Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Charlotte Cartwright and County Councillor Jim Bland.

**22/28 Requests for Dispensations:** None.

**22/29 Declarations of Interest:**

There were no Declarations of Interest made in respect of any matters on the agenda.

**22/30 Minutes:**

The minutes of the meeting held on 19th May 2022, having been circulated were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

**22/31 Public participation:** None.

**22/32 Reports:**

- a. Councillor Holmes gave his report, which had been circulated the Councillors and will be appended to these minutes in the file. Issues covered included the future ownership of the bed of Lake Windermere, the COVID Additional Relief Fund and the Fairer Community Fund.
- b. Shadow Councillor Steve Bavin informed the Council that Sam Plum has been appointed as Chief Executive of the new Authority, Westmorland and Furness and the Fire Service will be joined under the authority of the Police and Crime Commissioner, from 2023.

**22/33 Village Hall:**

It was reported that the hall committee is considering insulating the main hall, using money from COVID grants.

**22/34 B4RN:**

Much progress has been made with B4RN in both Crook and Witherslack parishes, and it is expected that this will be taken up by other parishes if sufficient volunteers can be found to progress it.

**22/35 Parish Land:**

This is still in hand and the Clerk will continue his research.

## **22/36 Greening Campaign:**

There had been no further activity on this - it was reported that parishes are involved at their own pace and time. The Clerk will keep Councillors informed.

## **22/37 Planning:**

*a. The following applications were considered:*

7/2022/5381 Broom Cottage, Broom Lane, Underbarrow. Solar array with associated infrastructure. Approval recommended.

7/2022/5497/5498 Fallen Yew, Underbarrow. Extension, alterations and refurbishment. Approval recommended.

*b. The following decision, notified to the Council by the Planning Authority, was noted:*

7/2022/5113 Dale Farm, Underbarrow. Amendment to design of proposed 3 units, condition 2 (plans) and condition 4 (roofs) on planning permission 7/2019/5785 - change of use of land from agricultural to domestic residences. Demolition of existing disused agricultural structures, construction of 3 new dwellings (resubmission of withdrawn application 7/2019/5572). Granted.

## **22/38 Finance:**

*a. It was resolved to pay the following accounts:*

William Huck	£50.00	Honorarium - Internal Audit
T Flitcroft	£90.00	Payroll administration - annual charge
T Flitcroft	£216.79	Website maintenance, domain renewal etc
K M Price	£123.33	Quarterly expenses, including use of home office and travel.

b. The report from the Internal Auditor was noted. There were no issues to be brought to the Council's attention.

c. The cash and budget statements were noted.

d. The Clerk had contacted The Sign Man in Kendal and is awaiting a site meeting with him, to enable a quotation to be given for the renewal of the Council's two notice boards. It was agreed that consideration be given to having one notice board outside the hall, shared between the Council and the other village notices. The hall committee would need to be approached.

**22/39 Date of the next meeting:**

**Thursday 17th November 2022 at 7pm at Underbarrow Institute.**

*(This will be preceded by a meeting of Trustees of the Poor's Allotment Charity at 6.30pm, so that arrangements for the annual distribution can be made).*

**22/40 Open Forum:**

It was agreed to make 'Revision of the Bank Mandate' an agenda item for the next meeting.

*The meeting closed at 7.50pm*

*Signed:*

*Dated:*