

Minutes of a meeting of Underbarrow & Bradleyfield Parish Council held at Underbarrow Institute on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2024 at 7pm.

Present were Councillors Peter Swindlehurst (Chairman), Richard Carruthers, Charlotte Cartwright, Stuart Fairclough and Sally Soady, Westmorland & Furness Councillor Steve Bavin, one member of the public and Parish Clerk Kevin Price.

**24/34 Public participation:** None.

**24/35 Requests for Dispensations:** None.

**24/36 Declarations of Interest:**

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

**24/37 Minutes:**

The minutes of the meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> August 2024, having been circulated were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

**24/38 Report from Westmorland & Furness Councillor:**

**Councillor Bavin reported on the following:**

- a. Monthly meetings are continuing to update the community on the two bridge closures. There is no firm date but it is hoped there may be a partial re-opening soon; a lot will depend upon funding being available.
- b. A salt bin has appeared at Gregg Hall Lane.
- c. An inspection has taken place of the footbridge over the A591.
- d. Some white lining work has been carried out.

**24/39 Planning:** None.

**24/40 Finance:**

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

T Flitcroft	£90.00	Payroll Administration – annual payment
K M Price	£114.10	Quarterly expenses to 30 <sup>th</sup> September, Including use of home office and travel.

- b. The cash and budget statements were noted.

**24/41 Defibrillator:**

There was nothing further to report at present.

#### **24/42 Daffodil bulb planting:**

Councillor Swindlehurst reported that the daffodil bulbs have arrived and it was resolved that these should be paid for. Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October at 9.30am is the suggested time for planting them and anyone is invited to come and help in this work. Councillor Soady said she would advertise it on Facebook and a poster will be placed in the notice board.

#### **24/43 Village maintenance:**

The bench near the church has now been put in place and Councillor Swindlehurst was thanked for arranging this.

#### **24/44 Date of the next meeting:**

***Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2024 at 7pm at Underbarrow Institute  
(This will be the Precept Meeting)***

The Trustees of the Poor's Allotment Charity will meet at 6.30pm to make the annual distribution.

#### **24/45 Open Forum:**

- a. There is a face-to-face session arranged for Parish Councils to become more involved in carrying out minor work on highways, etc, at Kendal Town Hall, Assembly Room, on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October from 9.30am to 12.30pm. Any Councillors available – please attend.
- b. The Clerk said that he had communicated the results of the discussion, at the last meeting, regarding the Trusteeship of the Village Hall but had heard nothing further. There is, apparently, a meeting of the Hall committee soon.
- c. The Clerk agreed to advertise in the Two Valleys news the fact that the Council has money available to make small grants to village organisations and groups. Applications should be made initially to the Clerk, Kevin Price, at [parishclerkunderbarrow@gmail.com](mailto:parishclerkunderbarrow@gmail.com)
- d. Comment was made on the increased traffic since the diversions were put in place, due to the condition of the two bridges over the A591. This has also led to drivers using Broom Lane, which is extremely narrow, and this has resulted in a number of minor accidents.

*The meeting closed at 8.05pm.*

*Signed:*

*Dated:*