

HESKET PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of The Hesket Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 8th July 2014 at 7.30 pm in Low Hesket Village Hall

08/07/01 Present

Mr D Porter, Mrs S Bell, Mr T Armstrong, Miss N Armstrong, Mr D Bell, Mrs O Bell, Mr P Pickles, Mr J Graves, Mrs M Simpson, Mr R Fisher, Mrs L Grisedale

08/07/01a Apologies

Mr B Richardson, Mrs E Martin, Ms J Brooks, Mr J Dowes, Mr A Dayson, Mrs C Steel

08/07/02 Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 13th May were signed and authorized as a true record.

08/07/03 Matters Arising from the Minutes

The Clerk had spoken to Mr Paul Morris, Royal Mail regarding the new box at Armathwaite. He informed Mrs Jones that the new box would be a brick pillar (good quality) with a wall box. Its location would be near the seat in Armathwaite. At present Royal Mail is waiting for an engineer to undertake the work.

08/07/04 Chairman's Announcements

There Chairperson had no announcements to make.

08/07/05 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

08/07/06 Public Participation

No members of the public attended the meeting.

08/07/07 Planning applications and decisions

Applications (9)

- 14/0234 Mr D Carruthers, Low Street, Plumpton – Listed Building Consent for installation of UPVC windows – **N/O**
- 14/0360 Mrs J Long, Little Barrock, Carleton - Removal of cond. 1 (agric. occupancy) attached to planning approval 82/0828 – **N/O**
- 14/0388 Mr J Wilson, Street Head Farm, Low Braithwaite – Proposed crop store – **N/O**
- 14/0419 Castlestead FMS, Castlestead Farm, Penrith – Erection of an anaerobic digestion plant – **N/O**
- 14/0302 Mr Fisher, Mellguards Farm, Mellguards, Southwaite – Erection of extension of existing agricultural building – **N/O**
- 14/0381 Mr A Kenvig, Calthwaite Hall, Calthwaite- Change of use to form lodge park access – **N/O**
- 14/0449 Mr Mark Jones, Messrs Jones, Land at Low Plains, Calthwaite – Erection of replacement farmhouse **N/O**
- 14/0489 Chris Nichol Construction, Mr C Nichol land to rear of former Post Office, Armathwaite – New detached house **N/O**
- 14/0541 Land at Hay Close Farm, Calthwaite, CA119PX – Erection of temporary anemometry mast (15.96 metres in height)

Decisions (13)

- 14/0227 Mr A Kenvig, Calthwaite Hall, Calthwaite – Listed Building-Works -to enable the conversion to a holiday let – **Granted**
- 14/0238 Mr Lewin, Palmerstons, High Hesket – Change of use from furniture workshop/retailer to a Veterinary premise – **Granted**
- 14/0307 Mr Fisher, Mellguards Farm, Mellguards, Southwaite – Erection of new agricultural building - **Granted**
- 14/0308 Mr Fisher, Mellguards Farm, Mellguards, Southwaite – Erection of new agricultural building – **Granted**
- 14/0028 S & J Graves, High Hesket Farm, H.H – Outline applic.– residential development with approval sought for access, including 30% affordable housing – **Granted**
- 13/0833 Mr D Longson, 1 Beckside, Plumpton – relocation of fence - highway boundary and erection of pre-fab garage- **Granted**

14/0279 Mr M Johnstone, Petteril Side Farm, Southwaite – Proposed cover over existing silage clamp – **Granted**
 14/0365 Mr Gibson, Thornbarrow Farm, Catterlen – Erection of agricultural building (phase1) - **Granted**
 14/0366 Mr Gibson, Thornbarrow Farm, Catterlen – Erection of agricultural building (phase2) - **Granted**
 14/0367 Mr Gibson, Thornbarrow Farm, Catterlen – Erection of agricultural building (phase 3) - **Granted**
 14/0368 Mr Gibson, Thornbarrow Farm, Catterlen – Erection of agricultural building (phase 4) – **Granted**
 14/0272 Country Style Windows, Close House – Two Storey side extension - **Granted**
 14/0162 OwnPower Renewables Ltd – Land to N/W of Southwaite Motorway Service – Erection of wind turbine 23m - **Refused**

Pre Planning Application Consultation – Proposed Wind Turbine Barrock End Farm, Armathwaite – This pre application was advertised in Public Notices, The Herald. Discussion took place and councillors agreed with a majority vote that the letter should be sent – HPC strongly object to the proposed Wind Turbine at Barrock End Farm.

08/07/08 Wind Turbines

General discussion took place about proposed wind turbines around the parish. Councillors agreed with a majority vote that **unless** the wind turbine is small and is designed for the applicants personal business use, an objection e.g.; 1) Visual impact, 2) Adverse effect on the area and dominating the landscape, 3) Residents in nearby properties could suffer from noise, causing sleeping issues and stress. 4) Negative effect on the value of houses. 5) Disturbance of wildlife natural habitat. 6) Concerns about further windturbines. 7) No benefit to the area.

08/07/09 Footpaths within Hesket Parish Council

A resident had written to the council about a footpath being impassable. The Clerk had written back and had advised her that the footpaths in Hesket Parish were due to be maintained in 2016 – 2017. The clerk advised the concerned resident to write to Mr David Claire, Countryside Access Officer about any concerns that were considered urgent and they would be dealt with as a priority.

08/07/10 Notice Boards and Parish Seats – Replacement

Councillors were informed about the poor condition of five noticeboards within the parish. The Clerk and Mr Porter had received three quotes for replacing them. Woodstyle Joinery approx £740 + VAT, John Richardsons Joinery £575 + VAT and Whitehill Direct Ltd £ 799 + VAT. Councillors suggested that John Richardson’s (local firm with a good quality of workmanship) should be given the work and discount could be requested. The product should have a stain/varnish finish. Councillors unanimously agreed that the noticeboards should be purchased and replace existing noticeboards.

Discussion took place about the seat on the A6 (memory of George Nicholson) councillors agreed that too many shrine like objects were being put there and it may become a distraction to motorist. The clerk was asked to write to Mrs Nicholson and ask for them to be removed.

08/07/11 Liaison with Director of Corporate and Legal Services - EDC

A local resident had written to Mr Paul Foote, Solicitor EDC accusing Mr David Porter of breaching the code of conduct. Mr Porter and Lesley Jones had met up with Mr Foote and had explained the situation. Mr Foote felt that on this occasion Mr Porter had not breached the code of conduct. Mr Porter agreed to write an apology to the resident which would be sent via Mr Foote.

08/07/12 Payment of Accounts

Current Account	£3824.44	Capital Reserve	£14249.25
a)	Lesley Jones – Salary		£360.00
b)	Lesley Jones – Expenses		£ 63.46
c)	HMRC		£ 90.00
d)	Viking Direct		£193.87
e)	Cumbria Probation Trust		£ 80.00
f)	John Richardson		£ 71.06

08/07/13. Correspondence

1. Email from Mrs Birkett – issues with footpaths within Hesket Parish - **Action**
 2. Letter from EDC – Footway Lighting Update – **Information**
 3. Telephone call with United Utilities Group – Their representative explained that the water hydrant markers were no longer necessary because the Fire Service use GPS. I requested the information in an email (not received) I explained that the damaged markers could cause damage to machinery and should be removed – Councillors requested that a letter be sent requesting that the hydrant markers near the railway bridge be removed because they were very badly damaged - **Letter**
 4. Email EDC Contracts Officer, Stephen Hill – confirming that the litter bin at the bus shelter at High Hesket would be emptied on a weekly basis. - **Info**
 5. Email EDC Consultation Parishing Penrith–Questionnaire– Discussion took place regarding the costs.
 6. CALC Email Healthwatch Eden Meeting – Tuesday 16th July, Appleby - **Info**
 7. Notification of RoSPA Play Safety Team inspection August 2014 – **Info**
 8. Emails – No to Southwaite Wind turbine – Info
 9. Email from Sara Watson, Environmental Health Officer EDC – Response to email regarding heavily loaded tractors and trailers travelling through Calthwaite – **Info**
 10. Emails - Notification of proposed 77m turbine on the edge of Barrock Fell – **Action**
 11. Email -Mr B Richardson– Advising the council that grant money is available for local schemes - **Action**
 12. CALC – Friday Roundup – Training Courses - **Action**
 13. EDC – Email – Notification of damaged light at Armathwaite – **Info**
 14. CALC Circular July and August – **Distributed to councillors**
 15. CALC – Dealing with complaints procedure – **Info**
 16. Letter from Calthwaite Play Area Committee – Request for funding – **Action**
 17. CCC – Application for Temporary Road Closure – U3028 Plumpton Foot – 17/09/2014 – **Info**
 18. CCC – Application for Temporary Road Closure – U3039 Ewelock Hill High Hesket– 22/09/2014 -**Info**
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08/07/14 Parish Maintenance

Pot holes a) Intack Farm crossroads to the boundary of Wreay. b) Fieldhead to Calthwaite

Water Issues a) Water standing on the Crosskeys to Southwaite road. b) Blocked gully at Field head c) Bubbling drain (needs rodding) at Orchard House, Southwaite.

Footpaths a) Grass on Footpaths causing it difficult/dangerous for mobility scooters and walkers, a) High Bell Garth to High Hesket, b) A6 Low Plains to Lazonby road. **Also** A request has been received for the kerb to be lowered to enable mobility scooters access High Bell Garth – Village Hall

Ducting in road Calthwaite – Carlisle road ducting wire coming out of a hole in the road.

All of the above maintenance issues would be reported to Highways.

08/07/15 Matters For Information

Miss Armstrong said that the rubbish had not been collected from the bin at the bus shelter at High Hesket. Mrs Jones agreed to email Mr Hill about this.

08/07/16 Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 9th September 2014