

MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF

CLEATOR MOOR TOWN COUNCIL

HELD ON TUESDAY 8th JANUARY 2019

At 6.30pm, in CLEATOR MOOR TOWN COUNCIL BUILDING

Present: Cllr P Burns
Cllr O Dorgan
Cllr N Ford (Chair)
Cllr D Hully
Cllr J Hully
Cllr L Jones-Bulman
Cllr C Moores
Cllr D Riley
Cllr R Wood

Mrs H Gilmour (Clerk)

Also present at the meeting were Cumbria County Councillors F Morgan, and A Lamb, Copeland Borough Councillors D Banks and H Branney, Police Inspector R Smillie, PCSO S Hewitt and member of the public Mr J Crayston.

Apologies have been received from Town Councillors L Adair, M Denwood and M Messenger.

001/19 To approve and sign the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Cleator Moor Town Council held on 11th December 2018.

Resolved that the minutes be approved and signed.

002/19 Declarations of Interest, on items of the agenda.

Councillor Ford declared an interest in Cleator Moor Community Interest Company, Chamber of Trade, West Cumbria Community Forum, West Cumberland Hospital Project Board, Health Watch and the Town Hall. Councillor Moores declared an interest in Works 4 You, Skills 4 You, Home 2 Work, Community Interest Company, Exchange Corner NW and Cleator Caring Moor. Councillor J Hully and Councillor Jones-Bulman both declared an interest in planning.

003/19 Applications to the Clerk, for dispensations.

None received.

004/19 Public Participation.

PCSO Sammy Hewitt gave an overview of crime incidents in Cleator Moor during the month of November. Discussion around adult anti-social behaviour took place. Inspector Smillie explained how the Neighbourhood Policing Team works, targeting more difficult issues/problems with support from the multi-agency hub. Concern was expressed from members regarding drug use in the town. Inspector Smillie encouraged members to use the 101 telephone or E-mail contact to register concerns to the police.

Inspector Smillie and PCSO Hewitt left the meeting.

Councillor Lamb advised members that the Integrated Risk Management Plan 2016-2020, Year 3 Action Plan is available. Clerk to circulate to members.

Councillor Branney advised on his attendance at the installation of the new minister for St John's and St Leonards Church. It was noted that all tiers of local government were represented. Councillor Branney had also attended a meeting with Greenwich Leisure.

Councillor Morgan advised that the works to replace the drain on High Street had been postponed but were due to start on the 21st January 2019. Some highway patching is planned for Bowthorn Road and will commence when other road works in the area have ended. It was noted that the "Cleator Moor" sign at the Mill Hill needed to be re-instated following works on the grass verge. The new entrance to Ennerdale View (Birks Road) was discussed, with Councillor Morgan agreed to take a look and raise any issues with Highways department.

Councillor Riley advised that there are 77 new members of the newly created gym at the Activity Centre. The astro turf at Cleator Moor was now closed due to vandalism. Discussion around improvements to the astro turf took place. It was noted the existing surface would not last more than a year. Clerk to contact CBC officer, Julie Betteridge to follow up on the discussions held in December 2018 on this issue.

005/19 To review planning applications:

Members reviewed the following applications and recorded no objections

- 04/18/2441/001 - Land at Birks Road - Amended plans - site boundary line amendment. Clerk to inquire if a Stage 1 Road Safety Audit has been carried out for this application.

- 04/18/2522/F1 - Rear single storey extension to existing property, including demolition of small building - 48 Trumpet Terrace - Mr C Hetherington.
- 04/18/2527/OR1 - Reserved matters for the erection of dormer bungalow in the grounds of Burton House - Mr Pennington.

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Councillor J Hully and L Jones-Bulman left the meeting while application 04/18/2536/OF1 was discussed.

With regard to application 04/18/2536/OF1 - Temporary construction site access - land to the north of Flosh Meadows - Mr R Mulholland. Members considered the proposal to be dangerous as visibility at the bend in the road is very poor. Speeding vehicles on this stretch of highway are already an acknowledged problem with the proposed new entrance situated at a known accident black spot. Members can see no sensible reason for the new access and note in previous applications for the same location, by the same developer, no indication was given that there would be a requirement for a temporary road access. Members request a Stage One Road Safety Audit be carried out and for the planning panel to carry out a site visit. Members also request clarification on the definition of temporary in relation to this application, and question if there will be a legal binding condition to remove the road access at a later date.

006/19 To review correspondence.

The following correspondence was reviewed:

Date Rec'd	From	Regarding	Action
12/12/2018	Mr R Mulholland	Proposed new entrance to Flosh Meadows	For information
16/12/2018	West Cumbria Federation of Pigeon Clubs	E-mail of thanks for use of the Town Council meeting room	For information
19/12/2018	CALC	December/January Newsletter	For information
20/12/2018	CALC	Nomination for the Buckingham Palace Garden Party 2019	Councillor Dorgan and Councillor Jones-Bulman and partners be nominated.
21/12/2018	North West Coastal Access	Monthly Update - December 2018	For information
02/01/2019	CALC	Developing Your Skills	For information

		Programme	
02/01/2018	United Utilities	West Cumbria Supplies Project update	For information
02/01/2018	CCC	What's On Activity Programme in Copeland Libraries	For information
02/01/2018	CBC	Notice of Meeting on Implementing Space Protection Orders - Thursday 17 th January at 1.00pm in the Copeland Centre	Councillor Ford and Moores to attend.
03/01/2019	CCC	Urgent road closure on section of Red Beck Road - 7 th January for 5 days	For information
03/01/2019	Clerks and Councils Direct	January 2019 Magazine	For information
04/01/2019	CALC	CALC - Copeland District Minutes of Meeting held on 6 th December 2019	For information
07/01/2019	Cumbria Constabulary	Parish Council Update - November	For information

007/19 To receive verbal reports from other meetings:

- Cleator Moor Activity Centre Meeting - 12th December 2018 - Notes from the meeting were previously circulated to members.

008/19 To discuss WW2 aeroplane crash on Dent Fell.

Councillor Burns advised members that a number of aeroplanes had crashed on and around Dent Fell and presented a map indicating locations and dates.

Members considered providing a bench and information board at Blackhow Woods providing details for the public. Councillor Burns to investigate the history of these incidents and the Clerk to investigate options.

009/19 To receive the Clerks report.

- Fly tipping on land to the rear of Jacktrees Road car park has been reported to Copeland Borough Council.
- A blocked gully on Jacktrees Road car park has been reported to Copeland Borough Council who confirmed that a recent survey indicated the gully needed clearing and it was now scheduled to be done.

- Concern regarding the damaged shop window at the former Brush Strokes on the High Street had been reported to Copeland Borough Council's Building Control on 7th January 2019. An officer had investigated and confirmed that it was still safe at present but would need attention shortly. Contact details for Building Control to be passed to the owner. This follows an earlier report sent in on 17th September 2018.
- A problem with a Home property on Dent Place was reported on 18th December 2018. This was followed up this week with Mr James Varah of Home who confirmed the problem had been passed to the Maintenance Supervisor who would contact the resident.
- A complaint regarding litter and vehicles parked on yellow lines on High Street has been forwarded onto Copeland Borough Council and Cumbria County Council respectively. The Cumbria County Council Parking Manager has agreed to carry out additional visits in this area and take enforcement action as appropriate. Copeland Borough Council have been asked to pay attention to the litter and for the CBC enforcement team to speak to business owners regarding litter from their premises.
- Most of the traditional street lights (owned by Copeland Borough Council) are currently not working on Cleator Moor Square. A repair request has been sent to Copeland Borough Council who confirm they are awaiting a quotation for repairs but note that this may conflict with any regeneration plans.
- Standing water on the football field is being monitored after heavy rain. Photographs are then being sent onto the Copeland Borough Council drainage engineer.
- An E-mail has been sent to Copeland Borough Council regarding the outstanding repairs to the block pavers on the CBC car park on the Square. A response indicated a new officer would be looking at this issue.
- An E-mail was issued to Copeland Borough Council on 29th November regarding a number of derelict homes in Cleator Moor. A response is awaited.

Councillors Branney, Banks, Lamb and Morgan and Mr Crayston left the meeting.

010/19 To consider donations.

Resolved that £6,000.00 be donated to Phoenix Youth Project and £ 3,253.33 to Citizens Advice Bureau to support the continuance of their services in Cleator Moor. A further £200.00 be provided to Wyndham Manor Residents Account in memory of former councillor William Southward.

011/19 Finance:

- To approve a schedule of accounts for January 2018. Resolved that the schedule of accounts be approved and paid.
- To note bank reconciliations up to the end of November 2018 and December 2018. Resolved that the bank reconciliations be noted.
- To approve and adopt the NALC 2019/2020 National Salary Award. Resolved that the new NALC salary scales be approved and implemented in April 2019.

012/19 Items for inclusion on the next agenda.

To consider writing to the Lake District National Park regarding the inclusion of Dent Fell within the park's boundary.

013/19 To approve the date of the next meeting

Resolved that the next meeting be scheduled for 12th February 2019.

Meeting closed at 7.55pm