

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF  
CLEATOR MOOR TOWN COUNCIL**

**HELD ON TUESDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2021 AT THE TOWN  
COUNCIL OFFICE At 6.30pm.**

Present: Cllr O Dorgan  
Cllr N Ford  
Cllr D Hully  
Cllr J Hully (Chair)  
Cllr D Riley  
Cllr C Campbell  
Cllr LJ Bulman

Mr S Richardson (Clerk)

**489/21 To receive apologies for absence.**

Apologies received from Cllr's Messenger, Denwood, Burns, Eldon and County Councillor's Morgan and Lamb. Standing apology from Borough Councillor H Branney

**490/21 To approve and sign the minutes of the Annual meeting of Cleator Moor Town Council held on 4<sup>th</sup> May 2021.**

With the amendment to the circulated minutes adding Cllr LJ Bulman to the list of members present the minutes were approved and signed by the Chair.

**491/21 Declarations of interest on items on the agenda.**

Councillor J Hully declared an interest in Planning (CBC Planning Chair)

Councillor Bulman declared an interest in planning as a member of Copeland Borough Council planning panel

Councillor Ford declared an interest in Cleator Moor Community Interest Company, Chamber of Trade, West Cumbria Community Foundation, West Cumberland Hospital Project Board, Health Watch, Town Hall, Stirling Place, Phoenix Youth, Town board. Cygnus Radio. Works4You and Home2Work. Copeland Photographic Society. Town Board (Chamber of Trade) CMBB Podcast (Cygnus Studios).

**492/21. Applications to the Clerk for dispensations.**

None received.

#### **493/21 Public/Elected officer participation.**

None present.

#### **494/21 To review Planning Applications.**

The following applications were reviewed.

1. Cllr's J Hully and LJ Bulman took no part in discussions.
  - 4/21/2299/OF1 Conversion from a Public House to a shop and 6 Flats The Commercial 5 High St Cleator Moor.
  - 4/21/2301/OF1 Terraced type housing block 4 studio and 4 two bedroom apartments with private car park for 8 cars including 1 disabled bay (with access off Todholes Road) Dent Home, Cragg Road Cleator Moor.
  - 4/21/2278/OF1 Seven no. 2 bedroom houses former clinic Ennerdale Road Cleator Moor.
  - 4/21/2235/OF1 Change of use from Sandwich shop to form single unit Petrol filling station with food to go outlet and associated signage and external alterations.
  - 4/21/2239/OF1 Erection of detached dwelling plot 3 Cleator Gate Jacktrees Road Cleator Moor.
  - 4/21/2227/OB1 Variation of condition 2 of reserved matters application 4/20/2074/OR1 (Relating to plots 15, 18, 19, 20 & 21 only) Keekle Meadows Cleator Moor.

In respect of application 4/21/2301/OF1 members commented that this was the third application for this site in recent months and requested these comments be passed to Development control. It was also noted that some residents had concerns that no notice of the application had been placed on or near the property and that the local residents had not been informed of the application.

#### **495/21 To note receipt of the Clerk's report.**

##### **Clerk Report July 13<sup>th</sup> 2021**

Environmental health has been informed of more issues with vermin around Todholes Road/Priory Drive area with reports of one household having several deceased rats in the roof space and also a wasp nest.

I am talking with some people who are interested in coordinating a team to litter pick around town in an organised manner ensuring we know when they will be done, also to make sure the rubbish is collected after the picks. I will add to a future agenda whether we purchase some better litter picking accessories such as a bin trolley.

I have also discussed with one of the local schools about a poster design comp

A request has been received from a person who runs a dog walking/agility business to use the Mill Hill field as an exercise and agility area for dogs, I will ask for more details on this.

Prospect row playpark is on the agenda just to say that the bin at the play park has been emptied by CBC as part of our contract with them for landscaping the area, it appears that open spaces team who fulfil the landscaping contract empty this bin once a month when they do the inspection reports, it had been getting emptied between times by waste management however this has now stopped and I have been informed if we want the bin emptied more than once a month we will need to pay for the extra. I will query this with CBC.

We have been informed that new bins have been ordered for Jacktrees road play park which should help with the litter issue. I have also asked about the situation regarding litter picking as it appears that the litter pickers who visit town will not service the park as they say it is the responsibility of Open Spaces. I have also asked for the schedule of when the litter pickers are in town hoping we can work with them.

I have had conversations with the Police regarding the litter and anti-social behaviour which is becoming more of a problem, they have said they will discuss this with the community officers. I have also mentioned that it would be helpful to have some Police presence on foot rather than cars driving through town, It is a difficult situation and I fully understand the issues the Police have with time and manpower however the last few weeks have seen a big increase in ASB in town, hopefully the session with the Police in August will allow us to discuss some issues.

I have had some reports from residents at Cleator concerned about the speed of some drivers are passing through the village, I will report this to the Police and to the CC to see if they have any ideas to help.

#### **496/21 To note receipt of correspondence.**

<b>Correspondence for Town Council Meeting held on 13th July 2021</b>				
	<b>Date Rec'd</b>	<b>From</b>	<b>Regarding</b>	<b>Action</b>
1	8 <sup>th</sup> June	CBC	Press release	For Info
2	7 <sup>th</sup> June	Cumbria Police	Vacancies	For Info
3	11 <sup>th</sup> June	CALC	Health and wellbeing	For Info
4	14 <sup>th</sup> June	Cllr Burns	LUF consultation slides	For Info
5	11 <sup>th</sup> June	CCC	Various	For Info
6	11 <sup>th</sup> June	NALC	CR Bulletin	For Info
7	12 <sup>th</sup> June	In Cumbria	Various	For Info
8	28 <sup>th</sup> June	NALC	Future communities	For Info
9	3 <sup>rd</sup> July	CCC	Various	For Info
<b>Copies of correspondence is available on request</b>				

**497/21 T receive updates from other meetings.**

25<sup>th</sup> June Town Deal Board, Clerk informed members that the Board and Copeland Borough Council formally agreed to accept the Heads of Terms offer from MHCLG and that they were now working to put the business case forward.

30<sup>th</sup> June Gateways working group. Cllr Dorgan advised members that the group had held its first meeting and costings were now being put together for all possible projects and would be brought to full council.

Home Group site visits. Cllr Burns advised members that site visits had restarted; 10<sup>th</sup> June William Morris + other estates in that area visited, some outstanding actions from the last visit. 17<sup>th</sup> June Mill Hill area, again some outstanding actions from last visit. 24<sup>th</sup> June birks road areas, main issue King george's close dwarf wall to car park knocked over and brick work obstructing foot path, ownership of the wall is unclear (since confirmed it is Home responsibility). Tenants of one property have had an ongoing issue with HG. Surveys have been carried out and method of works produced and costed, awaiting a programme of works and Tenants are to view alternative accommodation this Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2021 to move into while works carried out.

**498/21 To discuss Christmas Lights switch on.**

Members were informed that the Cleator Moor Community Interest Company would not hold an indoor market on the day of the lights switch on this year. It was agreed that the Town Council would once again finance the installation of the lights and the switch on date 26<sup>th</sup> Nov provisionally agreed subject to confirmation with the contractors. Resolved to bring this item back on the next agenda to discuss the format of the afternoon event.

**499/21 Update on Remembrance Sunday.**

Members informed that plans were being put in place for the return to the full service including the parade. Road closure application forms have been requested and Cleator Moor Brass band and the Traffic marshall's have all been asked to confirm their availability. Further update at August meeting and then a meeting will be set up with the RBL and the Clergy.

**500/21 To discuss the Queens Platinum Jubilee Celebrations.**

Resolved that the Council will register to take part and agreed to bring the item to the next agenda for further discussion.

**501/21. Update on the Citizens Advice Outreach project.**

Members were told that Citizens Advice have informed us that they would prefer not to resume the Outreach Project previously held in the Council

meeting room each Friday but maintain a phone service. Members agreed that future requests for funding should reflect the level of service provided to the Town should the Outreach not continue. Resolved to express disappointment at the decision.

**502/21. To discuss Prospect Row play park inspection.** Resolved that quote's be sought for the work suggested. The damaged litter bin mentioned is actually owned by CBC, however members agreed it would be practical to replace the Town Council owned bin with a more suitable one and also increase the number of times this bin is emptied.

**503/21 To discuss the Longlands lake memorial board.**

Members were advised that a verbal quote in the region of £250 had been received for the production of a memorial board telling the story of the Solstice Compass. Resolved to gain written quote and design and bring to full council.

**504/21 Finance**

To approve a schedule of payments for July. Resolved these be approved.

To note bank reconciliations up to the end of June 2021 and May 2021. Resolved these are noted.

**505/21 Items for inclusion on the next agenda.**

Christmas light switch on.

Remembrance Sunday.

Queens Platinum Jubilee.

Longlands Memorial

Any further items to be forwarded to the Clerk

**506/21 To approve the date of the next meeting on the 10<sup>th</sup> August 2021 at 6-30pm in the Council Offices.**

Approved.

Meeting closed 7.16pm

Signed

Dated

