

MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL MEETING OF

CLEATOR MOOR TOWN COUNCIL

HELD ON TUESDAY 14th July 2020

At 6.30pm.

Present: Cllr M Denwood
Cllr O Dorgan
Cllr N Ford (Vice-Chair)
Cllr J Hully (Chair)
Cllr P Burns
Cllr D Hully
Cllr L Jones-Bulman
Cllr M Messenger
Mr S Richardson (Clerk)

County Councillor Frank Morgan and County Councillor A Lamb.

297/20. To receive apologies for absence.

Apologies received from Councillor's R Wood D Riley M Eldon. Borough Councillor H Branney.

298/20 To approve and sign the minutes of the Ordinary/Virtual Meeting of Cleator Moor Town Council held on 23rd June 2020.

Resolved that the minutes be approved and signed.

299/20 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 Foundation, West Cumberland Hospital Project Board, Health Watch, Town Hall, Stirling Place, Phoenix Youth, Town board. Cygnus Radio. Works4You and Home2Work. Healthwatch. Copeland Photographic Society.

Councillor J Hully declared and interest in Planning (CBC Planning Chair) Rnec, Copeland Officer, Blue Skies.

300/20 Applications to the Clerk, for dispensations.

None Received

301/20 Public Participation.

County Councillor Frank Morgan expressed his disappointment that the proposal for The Whitehaven Relief Road did not get Government support he stated that during his time representing Cleator Moor as a County Councillor this had been one of the biggest source of problems with the issues it caused residents of Cleator and Cleator Moor adding that it was off the agenda now and for at least the next 10 years. County Councillor offered his thanks to all the volunteers who had been involved in the Cleator Moor Covid-19 support group.

302/20 To review planning applications:

- CH/4/19/2332/OF1 Erection of a training barn Wath Brow Hornets RLFC, Cleator.

Members resolved to make the following comments regarding this application. Members were pleased to see consideration given to car parking but noted the application does not cover the new car park for 15 vehicles. Details of the construction, drainage, access and egress need to be known. If there is an existing drainage route into the proposed car park the depth needs to be known to see if it needs protection from vehicles. A soil percolation test may be required if using eco grid to drain onto soil below.

- CH/4/20/2009/OF1 Demolition of 114 Bowthorn Road and replacement with 3 No. dwellings.

Members raised concerns that the amended plan removes the provision of off road parking leading to cars parking directly opposite the junction on Bowthorn Road with the Border Avenue, currently this area offers a break in parking allowing safer passing.

- CH/4/20/2218/OR1 Reserved matters application for appearance, layout and scale following on from approved application 4/17/2214/001 (outline for the erection of 7 dwellings) land to the north of Cross Grove Cleator.

Members resolved to submit the issues as per the original application, noting the close proximity to the cemetery and asked that planning conditions be placed on any approvals to ensure that future residents take a sensitive approach (with regards to noise and parties) when services and events are occurring in the Church Grotto.

303/20 To receive correspondence.

Correspondence for Town Council Meeting held on 14th July 2020				
	Date Rec'd	From	Regarding	Action
1	2 nd June	CALC	Advice notes Vat on digital services	For Info
2	2 nd June	CALC	Letter from Stewart Young CCC	For Info
3	4 th June	CCC	Emergency travel fund update	For Info
4	4 th June	CALC	Zoom offer	For Info
5	9 th June	Town Board	Minutes for June	For Info
6	10 th June	CALC	County resilience group	For Info
7	10 th June	NALC	Risk assessment guide	For Info
8	11 th June	NALC	Newsletter	For Info
9	11 th June	CALC	Mental health wellbeing	For Info
10	11 th June	CALC	Arts and culture network newsletter	For Info
11	11 th June	Cumbria police	Egremont/Cleator Moor Bulletin	For Info
12	12 th June	CALC	On street parking	For Info
13	12 th June	NALC	CE Bulletin	For Info
14	13 th June	LDNPA	Summary	For Info
15	15 th June	R Raynor	Football results	For Info
16	25 th June	In Cumbria	Am Briefing	For Info
17	02 July	CCC	Health update	For Info
18	03 July	LDNPA	Visitors in the lake district	For Info
19	06 July	CALC	Sustainable energy	For Info
20	08 July	In Cumbria	Am Briefing	For Info
21	09 July	In Cumbria	Briefing	For Info

22	09 July	CCC	Job Vacancies	For Info
23	09 July	CBC	Shop Local	Any Interest
24	09 July	RSN	Rural services consultation	Comments
25	09 July	ACT	News update	For Info
26	09 July	CCC	Local Outbreak control Plan	For Info
Copies of correspondence is available on request				

Resolved that correspondence be noted.

304/20 To receive verbal reports from other meetings.

Cllr Eldon was to update members regarding the Town Fund bid and Board The Chair of the Town Fund Board has expressed a wish to receive feedback from members regarding ideas and thoughts on the bid and where the Town Council fit in. Clerk to follow up with the Town Board representative and deputy to provide an update.

305/20 To discuss grass area Mill Hill John Colligan Drive .

Resolved that contractors be instructed to cut this area as per other grass cutting contract and Clerk to source quotes for two other grass area's on John Colligan drive .

306/20 To receive the Clerk report.

Clerk report July 14th 2020.

A further letter of concern has been received from a resident of Cleator regarding the Kangol site and unsociable behaviour, these concerns have been passed onto the Police along with others in the area including The Big Hill, Ehenside, Leconfield industrial site. I note the Town Board have plans to discuss the site with the owners so we will await any news from those discussions.

A letter has been received (9th July) from a resident of Buckle avenue thanking our landscapers for the work done on the quarry, the letter is extremely difficult to read but you can put the pieces together, it says that while the landscaping is welcome it is attracting fly tippers and several fridges and lawn mowers have had to be removed. I am unaware who the landscapers will have been I have asked CBC and it is not them, Home group have yet to reply but I would have thought it very unlikely to be them. Michael has been litter picking wearing a hi viz jacket so I am wondering if the resident means him, Michael had seen no visible evidence of the amount of fly tipping mentioned. Luckily the address on the letter can be made out clearly so I will contact the resident and discuss further.

As circulated the latest with Whitehaven Skips site is that the site is being included on the Police patrols, evidence of fly tipping again was sent to the Police and the agents Vine property

management. The agent informed us that Cumbria waste management were to visit the site to quote for clearance and we await any further news. The Environment Agency continue to make contact with the company owner.

Communications have been sent to both CBC and CCC about the worry of fly tipping, the issue of social media adverts offering rubbish collections was raised regarding the legitimacy of these organisations especially in the current situation where vans and trailers are not allowed on site.

CCC have stated that when vans and trailers are checked it is just the validity of the permit that is checked and not whether the permit holder is a registered waste carrier or not, this is ongoing.

The evidence of drug and nitrous oxide canister use has been passed over to the police as well, it does not help that the canisters are easily sourced online, even ebay, purchasing them is not illegal using them as a high is although this still appears subject of some debate. Further instances will continue to be reported as anti-social behaviour.

We have received further complaints regarding noise and obstruction on Todholes Road garage site, a further letter was sent to the tenant in question on the 14th May. This matter was passed on to Environmental health at CBC who have now responded that they will write to the tenant regarding the noise and obstruction and should they feel there is evidence of a business operating they will pass over the details to planning.

Following on from the request from CBC to identify potential pedestrian hotspots in the town barriers and cones have been placed on the road outside Greggs and Betfred to stop parking and the build up of drivers and pedestrians. It has been reported back to CBC that the barrier is effective however motorists are just moving the cones onto the pavement to allow them to park, CBC are to discuss with Highways to see if an alternative to cones could be used.

We have as yet not been able to take advantage of the CALC Zoom offer which did bring a significant saving and an easy payment method, if this is not going to be available and Virtual meetings are to continue we will need to revisit this.

The annual return and all relevant paperwork is now ready for the external auditor and will be sent July to keep us well within the extended timescale.

Communication and updates will continue to be sent via email to enable the flow of virtual meetings.

307/20. To consider applications for financial support.

None received

308/20 Finance

To approve a schedule of payments for July 2020

Members resolved to approve a schedule of payments for July
Schedule of Cheques for Payment - Presented to Meeting in July 2020

Name	Voucher Number	Cheque Number	Amount
WBH	36	303536	200.00
Viking	37	303537	23.36
HMRC	38	303538	605.63
S Richardson	39	303539	1138.23
C McGee	40	303540	113.36
LGPS	41	303541	303.12
British gas	42	303542	8.97
ADT	43	303543	149.87
ADT	44	303544	120.00
CBC	45	303545	180.00
W4You	46	303546	319.39
CNG Energy	47	303547	29.02
TOTAL			£3,190.95

To note bank reconciliations to end of June 2020

Resolved that bank reconciliations to end of June be noted

309/20 Items for inclusion on the next agenda.

Members to inform clerk of any agenda item

310/20 To approve the date of the next meeting.

Approved that the next meeting be held virtually on Tuesday 11th August at 6.30pm

Meeting closed 6.50pm

Signed

Dated

