

21 March, 1901

The annual parish meeting convened by the chairman was held at the School at 7 pm. The minutes of the last meeting were take as read and duly signed. On the proposal of Mr John Gilpin seconded by Mr Robert Pattinson the vicar was unanimously re-elected chairman. On the proposal of Mr John Gilpin seconded by Mr R. Pattinson, Mr John Walker of Rook How was chosen overseer. On the proposal of the chairman seconded by Mr R. Pattinson, Mr John Gilpin was reelected assistant overseer. The meeting on the proposal of Mr John Gilpin seconded by Mr R. Pattinson requested the chairman to forward the following resolution to the clerk to the District Council.

Resolved. The Kentmere Parish Meeting has heard with deep regret that the District Council has decided only to patch up the present Low Bridge, concerning the dangerous state of which a resolution was forwarded to the D.C. 12 months ago, and the Parish Meeting would respectfully ask the D.C. to reconsider their decision, and to erect a new bridge for the following reasons –

- 1. That tho' the Bridge may be unimportant to those who seldom or never use it, it is highly important to the inhabitants of Kentmere, and to the numerous pleasure parties who drive over it in the summer.*
 - 2. That heavily laden carts and wagons frequently have to make use of it, and with its present steep approaches it is highly dangerous, and a subject of complaint by all who use it. At present when a vehicle has got to the top of the b'dge, the whole weight is thrown at once on the horse's back, & accidents have in consequence arisen, in winter this danger is increased by the frequently slippery state of the bridge. The present proposal of the D.C. does nothing to remedy this.*
 - 3. That as Kentmere has to contribute its share towards the alterations & improvements of other roads and bridges, the inhabitants feel that they have a strong claim to the same consideration that is given to other parts of the district.*
- This meeting therefore begs a reconsideration of the case.*

*R. Jackson Pigott – Chairman
John Gilpin
William Gregg
John Walker
William Tyson*