

Minutes of Kentmere Parish Meeting held on Monday 24th January 2000

Present: Mr. P. Dawson in the Chair, Mr. N. Pighills Vice-Chairman, Mrs. J. Raven, Mrs S. Johnston, Mr. I. Johnston, Mrs. J. Dawson, Mrs. C. Hevey, Mr. A. Williams, Mrs V. Barkway, Mrs. R. Dawson, Mrs. S. Gregory, Ms. H. Connerr, Mr. W. Otty, Mr. I. Dickinson, Ms. S. Thompson (NPA)

Apologies for absence: Mrs. C. Black, Mr. C. Black, Mrs. Bialy, Mr. C. Gregory, Mrs. A. Cummings, Mr. S. Raven, Mrs. J. Otty, Mr. K. Dawson, Mrs. A. Williams, Mr. J. Barkway, Mrs. H. Brownlow, Mr. A. Harrison, Mr. J. Williams.

Congratulations were conveyed to Mark and Penny on the birth of their son Keiran Raven. The meeting also welcomed the Booth Family to the Parish.

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 17th May 1999

Copies of these were circulated and Mrs. S. Gregory proposed and Mr. W. Otty seconded the motion that they be approved. This was carried unanimously.

Matters Arising from the Minutes

1. Gerard Hayton had much enjoyed his retirement celebrations and the Border Fine Arts Tractor in particular. Balance of funds collected had been sent to Gerard.
2. Highways
Mrs. A Williams asked about road repairs and suggested a salt bin at the top of Church Hill. Mr. P. Dawson said that major road works were being discussed, he was to have a meeting with Mr. Keith Taylor of Cumbria County Council about these.
3. Accounts
The Triennial Audit was satisfactorily completed. The auditor had asked about insurance for the Kentmere Parish Meeting since we have none. Mr. W. Otty explained that none is required since the Meeting does not hold any property.
4. Lakeland Village Landscape Scheme
The Plan and the Raven brothers quotation for the work at The Pound and to the railings opposite the Church were circulated. The scheme was eligible for 90% grant. Mr. Johnston suggested we apply to the Neighbourhood Forum for the remaining 10%. It was thought that Westmorland County Council had put up the railings in the first place. It was agreed unanimously to replace with the same type of railings. A maintenance plan for the two projects is to be agreed within the Parish. Mr. I. Johnston proposed that we proceed with the works and Mr. W. Otty seconded. The motion was carried unanimously.

5. Footpaths

There was discussion of the usage of the Capplerigg driveway as a footpath. Sue Thompson presented the Lake District National Park Authority's position on this disputed path. She agreed to supply a written statement of this position to the meeting and circulated Claimed Public Right of Way Evidence Form.

6. Sue Thompson LDNPA Ranger

Sue Thompson explained her role as a ranger talking about rights of way and their maintenance, stiles, bridges, etc. and about offering advice on grant aid for landscaping schemes. She explained the LDNPA position regarding motorized traffic using Garburn and Stile End roads. She said that the Association of National Park Authorities is seeking to ban traffic from all unsealed roads.

7. Electricity Supply

Testers were to be installed in six locations in the Valley.

8. Road Maintenance

There was discussion of deteriorating road surfaces, damaged drains causing flooded roads and a general decrease in the road maintenance. Mr. I. Dickinson said that in snowy conditions the gritter never goes to Hallow Bank Quarter any more.

9. Village Appraisal

Mr I. Johnston explained the purpose of the appraisal group and passed around a summary of what they were doing.

10. Millennium

Mrs. J. Raven and Mrs. S. Johnston to form a sub-committee to organise a dance and celebration. 24th June was the suggested date. Other Millennium suggestions were a photograph with all the parishioners on it and a map of the valley with all the field names marked on.

Planning Applications received

- (a) Rebuilding of collapsing barn at High Fold*
- (b) Proposed conversion of Back Close Barn for Mr. N. Walker*
- (c) Proposed rebuilding and extension of conservatory at Maggs Howe for Mrs. C. Hevey*

Any Other Business

Car Parking at the Institute: Chairman read a letter from Mr. Claydon of the Cumbria County Council Legal Services Unit sent to him on 28th June 1999 saying that any action by CCC would be deferred for 12 months.

The meeting closed at 9.50 p.m.

P.I. Dawson (Chairman) 26th June 2000

