

Minutes of the Annual Kentmere Parish Meeting of 6th June 2005

Present N. Pighills (Chairman) S. Johnston (vice chair) Mr & Mrs C. Gregory, Mrs C. Courtier, Mrs V. Barkway Mr & Mrs Sturgis, Mr & Mrs D. Bridge, Mrs M. Baldwin Mr J Stilling, Dr & Mrs W. Malone, Ms H. Connerr, Mr & Mrs K. Talbot, Ms A. Hills, Mr S. Fawcett, Mr & Mrs M Biden, Mrs H. Brownlow, Mr I. Johnston, Mr J. Sharp, Mr & Mrs A Williams, Mr I. Dickinson, Mr & Mrs R. Ridley, Mr M. Booth

Apologies were received from:-

Mr R. Courtier, Mr J. Williams, Mr C. Black, Mr & Mrs P. Dawson, Mr K. Dawson, Mr & Mrs H. Fry and Mr & Mrs W. Otty

People in Kentmere

All sent our best wishes to Christopher Black for the best possible outcome on starting his course of treatment.

Minutes of the Parish Meeting held 6th December 2004

These were read and Iain Johnston proposed, Shirley Gregory seconded acceptance. All in favour.

Matters arising

- We now have planning approval for a parking layout for 11 cars at the Institute. The revised road layout does not extend over land claimed by Mrs. A Cummings.
- The chairman had examined Black Beck bridge with Mr Tony Harrison and written to the CCC describing how water is undermining the foundations. No reply had been received.
- Legislation had confirmed permitted noise level for fireworks at 125 decibels.
- A formal complaint against the LDNPA was being considered by the Local Government Ombudsman. She was coming to inspect the site of the Tetra Mast and we awaited her report.

Planning Application for Quarry Cottage

Copies of an application had been received for extensive development of the cottage and "barracks" building for Blackburn and Darwen B.C. Plans indicated enlargement of the cottage and outbuildings and a major redevelopment of the barracks. A wind generator was proposed. Supporting documents indicated that a very considerable increase in use and occupancy of the centre was anticipated. Plans were examined and following much discussion, an informal show of hands indicated that none were in favour of the proposals and with two abstentions, all others were against. It was agreed that the chairman would circulate a draft letter for the LDNPA expressing, in planning terms, our reasons for objecting to the application.

Nook Outbarn – A presentation by Mr T. Bryars

This item had been removed from the Agenda, as it appeared to the chairman, having examined the Land Registry entry for this barn, that a building recently demolished on the site may not have belonged to Mr Bryars. It appears that Mr Bryars' presence might have caused unwelcome conflict at the meeting.

The Countryside Rights of Way Act

National Park Ranger, Sue Thompson brought us up to date on the effects so far of the new legislation. All seemed to be proceeding quietly so far, with no great increase of usage being reported. Park rangers were looking at possible access lines and consulting with farmers about gates and stiles.

Kerbside Recycling

This was not scheduled to start in Kentmere for some time.

Television

Subscriptions and Newsletters were available for collection. The Tetra Mast had affected some TV reception.

The Meeting closed at 9.29

N D Pighills