

Minutes of the Parish Meeting held on 4th June 2007

Present Chairman – N. Pighills, Mr & Mrs P. Bettess, Mrs C. Black, Mr & Mrs D Bridge, Mrs H. Brownlow, Ms H. Connerr, Mr S. Fawcett, Mr H. Fry, Mr C Gregory, Mrs C. Hevey, Miss A. Hills, Mr & Mrs I Johnston, Mrs C. Nuttall, Mr W. Otty, Mr J. Stilling, Mrs J. Strickland, Mr & Mrs T. Sturgis. Mr K. Talbot, Mr & Mrs A. Williams

People of Kentmere

The meeting observed two minutes silence as a mark of respect for Gladys Michell and Mrs Olivia Brown

Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on 27th November 2006 were read and accepted as a fair record by the meeting.

Matters Arising

Himalayan Balsam

Maureen Baldwin passed round information to those who had volunteered to uproot this plant. Jane Antrobus would be seeking permission to carry out eradication around the lake. Hilary Fry had already carried out uprooting and strimming at Hellwell Lane.

Broadband

Tests were being carried out in two homes in Kentmere by “Extreme Solutions”. Jackie Bettess believed that nothing could be achieved until B.T. lines were improved.

Grants from Parish Funds

A letter had been received from Kentmere First Responders thanking the Parish for its grant and explaining how this is being used. The annual Precept had been increased to allow for an annual grant for pagers – subject to approval by the meeting.

Traffic Management

The chairman had contacted the Highways Authority and the police regarding “No Parking” signs on the railings opposite the church, written approval had not yet been received.

Salt Bins

Hilary Fry had prepared a listing of the salt bins and salt piles in the parish. It was agreed that he and the chairman should request additional bins in selected.

Recycling

SLDC had informed the chairman that the recycling of household waste would begin in October 2007.

Correspondence

C.C.C. notice of temporary modification to the Right of Way on Harter Fell. This was to allow path maintenance to be carried out.

Financial Matters

Iain Johnston presented parish accounts (year ended 31st March 2007) He explained that the expense on photography was for copying the Corn Rent Map.

Planning Application

Plans had been received for a proposal to increase the height of the antenna and for two “dishes” at Brow Top. The planning application had been made by “Airwave” and the proposed mast appeared to be about 4m (?) higher than the present one. A majority of parishioners approved the Chairman’s suggestion that he should write to the LDNPA about the application, requesting more information.

Television Scheme

Judith Bridge reported that the insurance company had paid out in full on the claim. She was waiting for a report from Andrew Brass regarding the earthing of the installation.

Other Business

- *Blackburn & Darwen Youth Forum – meeting at the institute 14th July.*
- *Kentmere First Responders – group to receive training in the use of oxygen.*
- *Kentmere Rambler – bus service to resume.*
- *English Heritage – the photographing of listed buildings. Discussion of this and of the photographic record held by the Staveley and District Historical Society.*

The Meeting Closed at 8.40 pm

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