

# Lamplugh Parish Council

Lamplugh Parish Council Meeting (No 349) was held on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2022 in the Kirkland Mission Church.

Parish Councillors summoned to attend:

Ed Surman (Chair), Roger Braithwaite (Vice chair), Michael Watts, Robert Daglish, Mark Maisey, Paul Wilson and Angela Meek (Clerk).

Also Invited: Arthur Lamb (County Councillor), Gwyneth Everett (Borough Councillor), Steve Morgan (Borough Councillor), Linda Jones-Bulman (Cumberland Council).

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In attendance: Roger Braithwaite (Vice Chair), Michael Watts, Mark Maisey, Gwyneth Everett, Arthur Lamb and Angela Meek (Clerk).

One Member of the Public attended the meeting.

Apologies for absence were received from Ed Surman (Chair), Paul Wilson, Steven Morgan, and Linda Jones-Bulman. There were no resignations. To note, Julie Whittaker was co-opted onto the parish council with Cllr Braithwaite proposing, Cllr Watts seconding and all agreeing. Declaration of conflict-of-interest dispensations of pecuniary interest of councillors were received from Cllr Braithwaite for a Whinnah planning application.

The meeting was chaired by Roger Braithwaite (Vice Chair).

- 2. Discussed were the minutes of the previous meeting (348) held on 20th July 2022, all agreed to accept, and the Vice Chair signed as a true record. All tasks and actions from the previous meeting (No 348) were completed.
- 3. Public Participation Cllr Everett reported that the NCPCT are supporting communities and will meet in November to answer questions on the closure of Griffin Close Surgery in Frizington. There is a Warm Hub opening in Whitehaven where people can meet for a warm drink and get information on cost-of-living issues. The Beacon will be handing out a selection of boxed vegetables at a low cost of £3 per box. A priceless Rembrandt masterpiece is to be exhibited at the Beacon from 24 September 2022-8 January 2023, the painting is of his wife Saskia van Uylenburgh. Cllr Lamb reported that work will begin at Fitzbridge in September and the traffic lights will be removed on completion of the works. April 2023 the A595 Moresby improvement scheme will begin with the road by Morresby Hall being closed to traffic at weekends for the duration of 16 weeks. Improvements need to be looked at at the corner of Lamplugh Green to Loweswater Junction. Mirrors would allow for traffic to see other users around the bend and to see and allow cyclists to see approaching traffic. AM to report and request the mirrors to be sited.
- 4. Correspondence to review to 20<sup>th</sup> September 2022. Parish Councils Elections 2023 – information to budget for election costs when looking at the precept should you think that an election be called - to be looked at, at the November meeting. Common Land and Village Greens - Friends of the Lake District would like to raise our awareness that works are being carried out on Common Land without the proper consent or appropriate scrutiny. This issue is relevant across

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Cumbria, where there is one third of all the Common Land in the country, meaning its landscape, culture, character, and heritage are all heavily influenced by it. **EGM at Ennerdale and Kinniside PC** relating to works at Ennerdale planned meeting was cancelled and will be rescheduled for a later date.

- 5. Finance Matters to note were the balances held in the building society and confirmed with statements No 56, dated 31 July 2022 showing £21687.01 and statement No 57. dated 31 August 2022 showing £20811.01 (amendment from the agenda noted). The clerk informed councillors that cheque 157 was outstanding and after the company's confirmation on it not being received, she is to cancel the cheque and will reissue a new one. Cheques signed between meetings were C.N.159 Grant to Lamplugh Sports Committee £500.00, C.N.160 Grant to Kirkland Children's Playground £600.00, C.N.161 Grant to Lamplugh with Ennerdale PCC £350.00, C.N.162 Grant to Wel-Medical for Defibrillator for Kirkland phone booth £1,267.00. Schedule of payments for Cheques signed at the meeting were C.N.163 Lamplugh with Ennerdale PCC £40.00 for the Contact magazine, C.N.164 Rocket Sites £114 (re-issue as cheque 157 lost in post) Web and Domain, C.N.165 Home working (Oct-Mar), travel & other expenses £200.49. there was no income for the account in the above periods. Cllr Watts handed the clerk £23.05 to bank, the money is from the sale of local walks route leaflets. First quarter accounts sent to Internal Audit on 10 July 2022, nothing back yet - clerk to follow up. Second quarter accounts being prepared to be sent to IA. Smaller Authorities' Audit Appointments Ltd (SAAA) is giving LA options to opt out of the Central External Auditor Appointment Arrangements for the close of accounts. During the previous 5-year period all smaller authorities were 'opted-in' to the central procurement regime managed by SAAA - no authority 'opted-out' to follow the various complex procedures required under statute to appoint their own external auditor at their own cost. The clerk informed that if you wish to continue as part of the SAAA sector led auditor appointment regime then no action is required, you will remain part of central scheme - all present voted not to opt-out of this scheme.
- 6. Planning Application put to the meeting were 4/21/2187/0F1 Land South of Whinnah Cottages, Lamplugh, letters and emails ongoing opposing this application on the grounds of limited vision of access, safety, and most probable danger to life should this be planning application be granted. It is suggested that parish councillors, Copeland Planning Officers and CCC Highways all meet at the site to enable all to assess the proposed junction PW, ES to lead with this. A Planning Decision for 7/2022/4050 at Lamplugh Hall Farm, Lamplugh, Cumbria, CA14 4TY LDNPA Erection of new dairy to frontage of existing agricultural buildings was Granted, the parish council had no objections to this.

#### 7. Parish Matters/Business

A defibrillator was ordered and delivered to MW, Cllr Watts is expecting the electrician
to install within the next few weeks. Also reported was the poor condition of the door
of the phone booth, there is no door needed as the defibrillator is in a sealed box and
weather protected. Paint has been purchased for the booth and a sign will replace
the phone box to denote Defibrillator.

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- Memorial for the Late Queen Elizabeth II Suggestions of planting of a tree, a bench, or naming of the new Village Hall to the Lamplugh Queen Elizabeth II Village Hall – Cllr Watts will take the village hall name to the Village Hall Committee meeting.
- Discussed was the email received regarding Reays proposed transport route to Keswick School from Ennerdale Bridge – It is parental issues with a private bus company - all agreed that the parish council remain impartial.
- The clerk informed councillors of her absence from the AGM and GM for 17 May 2023 and asked for the meetings to be brought forward by one week to 10 May 2023 – to add to the November agenda.
- Councillors said it would be good to have an update as to where United Utilities are at – AM to contact and invite to the November meeting.
- 8. Cllr Watts reported that the Village Hall opening has incurred further delays with the removal of a pole and rerouting of cables, it is unlikely that the hall will be open until the new year.
- 9. Newsletter items for next issue to Cllr Watts for the November issue.
- Upcoming Meeting for Cllr Maisey is Nuclear Cumbria Engagement meeting on 19 October 2022.
- Items for the next agenda.
   United Utilities Update
   Clerks change of date for May 2023 meetings.
- 12. To note the dates for the parish council meetings in 2022/23, start time 7pm in the Village Hall (tbc) 16<sup>th</sup>November 2022, 18<sup>th</sup> January 2023, 15 March 202

Meeting closed at 20:40

Minutes by A Meek, Clerk

16.11.22.