

SATTERTHWAITE PARISH COUNCIL

Reference No: **M054**

Minutes of the meeting of Satterthwaite Parish Council held in the Parish Room, Satterthwaite on Tuesday 6th November 2007 at 7-30pm.

Present

Mr P. Townsend, Mrs E. Cringle, Mr T. Gill
The Clerk

54/1. **Apologies**

Mr R. Bruce (family matters), Mr P. Brady (work).

54/2. **Minutes**

The Minutes of the Council meeting held on Monday 17th September 2007 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

54/3. **Declarations of Interest**

None.

54/4. **Matters Arising**

● Finances of Old Police Station Car Park

The Chairman and Cllr Cringle had attended a Claife PC meeting, where the ongoing animosity with Hawkshead PC was discussed and a number of solutions put forward. The preferred option for this Council was for a meeting between Councillors of Hawkshead, Claife and Satterthwaite without the presence of the Clerks, and chaired by a member of CALC. **Action** - Chairman to contact Claife PC.

● Rusland Valley Informal Liaison Group

The Clerk attended this meeting. About 30 people were present from a wide variety of groups including National Park Authority, Forestry Commission, Natural England, National Trust, Parish Councils, various wildlife organisations, landowners and farmers. Natural England explained that ESA grants were being phased out and replaced with Environmental Stewardship schemes where farmers and landowners are encouraged to either preserve (small grant) or enhance (larger grant) the landscape. The Owl Trust explained their survey of barn owls in this area. The NPA described the reorganisation of the ranger service. An afternoon field trip to Stricely discussed low key interpretation of Stoney Hazel Forge, different types of woodland management, and use of coppice.

54/5. **Financial Reports & Payments**

a) The financial report dated 29th October 2007 was received.

b) The following accounts were paid:

- Satterthwaite Recreation & Play Area £200 towards playground maintenance.
- Satterthwaite Parochial Church Council £200 towards graveyard maintenance.
- Dr S. Tiplady, Clerk's salary & expenses for 3 months £241.27.
- Mr K. Baverstock, Webspace rental £60-00.

c) The budget for 2008/9 was set at £2200 (copy attached). The precept forms were completed.

d) The Clerk's salary and conditions were reviewed and left unchanged.

e) A risk assessment was carried out (copy attached).

54/6. **Vacancy for Clerk and May 2008 Elections**

The Clerk will leave office on 31st March, or earlier if a replacement can be found. The vacancy to be advertised in the newsletter, on the noticeboard, on the website, and at CALC. Sharing a Clerk with Colton PC may be one solution. Elections will be held for a new Council in May and some of the present Councillors are standing down. At the last elections there were insufficient candidates for election and a new Council could not be formed. The 2008 election needs to be advertised now and prospective new Councillors invited to attend January's meeting. Consideration should also be given to combining this parish with Colton. **Action** - Clerk to produce posters advertising the job vacancy and 2008 elections. **Action** - Cllr Cringle to put items in the Newsletter. **Action** - Chairman to discuss combining parishes and/or Clerks with Colton's Chairman.

54/7. **Grizedale Consultative Group**

Cllr Cringle reported on the meeting held on 20th September. A Community and Business Partnership Officer, Alan Russell, has been appointed. He is putting out a tender for a minibus shuttle and two operators are interested. Dave Robinson former Trails Adviser with the LDNPA and Tony Atkinson from Colton PC have also joined the consultative group. A new Arts Officer has been appointed. Building work on phase two has begun and will continue until May 2008. Planning permission will be sought for a mast on Flagpole Hill to deliver broadband to Grizedale.

54/8. **Rusland and Satterthwaite Newsletter**

The Council uses the Newsletter to advertise and summarise meetings but had not sponsored an edition for at least five years.

RESOLVED: Two editions of the Rusland and Satterthwaite Newsletter will be sponsored.

54/9. **Holiday Cottage Charter**

The Chairman produced a draft letter to holiday cottage and second home owners for consideration, to be discussed at the next meeting.

54/10. **Correspondence Received**

- CALC - Circular Sept 2007 and list of Training Courses. Noted.
- Integrated Youth Support Services - Newsletter July 2007. Noted.
- Hospice at Home - Newsletter. Noted.
- CALC - S. L. District Committee, Parish Representatives to Standards Committee. Noted.
- Connexions - Local Democracy Week, Political Speed Dating. Noted.
- Standards Board for England - Newsletter Sept 2007. Noted.
- SLDC - Agenda for Standards Committee 11/10/2007 and Minutes of 14/8/07. Noted.
- DEFRA - Ways to tackle climate change. Noted.
- LDNPA - Trails Management in the Lake District National Park. Noted.
- CCC - Rural Wheels leaflets. Noted.
- Hawkshead PC - Agenda for 16/10/07 and Minutes of 28/8/07. Noted.
- Colton PC - Agenda for 15/10/07 and Minutes of 3/9/07. Noted.
- CALC - Circular Oct 2007. Noted.
- CAB - Request for Funding of General Advice Services. Refused.
- CCC - Highways Magazine Autumn 2007. Noted.
- CCC - Vehicle Activated Traffic Sign Programme. Noted.
- CCC - Minerals and Waste Development Framework, Regulation 26 consultation. Noted.
- Morecambe Bay Partnership - Invite to AGM and Conference 8/11/07 at Grange. Noted.
- High Furness Neighbourhood Forum - Summary of meeting on 19/9/07. Noted.
- CCC - Adult Social Care Direct Payments, article for newsletter. Noted.
- Grizedale Stages Rally - Details of the Rally on Saturday 8th December 2007. Noted.
- SLDC - Notification of new Returning Officer. Noted.
- Cumbria CVS - Newsletter Oct 2007 and Funding Fair 23/11/07.
- Cumbria NHS - Closer to Home, a consultation on healthcare in North Cumbria. Noted.
- North West Air Ambulance - Request for funding. Refused.

54/11. **Adjournment of Meeting**

No members of the public were present.

54/12. **Items for Inclusion in Next Agenda**

Planning Application to extend opening season for Go Ape.
Holiday Cottage Charter.

54/13. **Date of Next Meeting**

Monday 19th November 2007.

The meeting closed at 9-30pm.