

# BROUGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the virtual meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> January 2021  
11am via Zoom

Due to COVID-19, only councillors & clerk were present at the meeting which was held in a socially distanced manner. Parishioners were invited to attend the meeting by Zoom video or audio dial in.

Present: Cllr S V Harden (SVH) (Chair), Cllr R Stables (RS), Cllr Gordon Rigg (GR) and Cllr W Bonner (WB). Also Caroline Fancott-Beynon (Clerk) (CFB)

**1. Apologies:** Cllr David Coward (DC)

**2. Declaration of Interests:** SH declared an interest in Item 7.10 – councillors agreed they were happy for SH to remain involved in discussion

**3. Adjournment of the meeting**  
No issues raised

#### **4. Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> October 2020 were agreed as a true record. These will be signed by the Chair at the next available opportunity.

#### **5. Matters Arising**

The clerk updated councillors on investigations in to the viability of a speed device for use around the Brough Hall bridge. CFB reported that all devices recorded actual speed rather than offered an advisory speed and were in excess of £3500 to purchase which is beyond the budget of BPC. CFB clarified for WB the feedback from Highways following the meeting with them in the autumn. Councillors highlighted that footfall has notably increased again during lockdown with visibility and road conditions much poorer than in last users lockdown. The clerk will add this to the next agenda for discussion and to feed back to Highways if no plan has been received.

#### **6. Financial Matters**

**6.1:** The clerk presented the bank reconciliation to councillors via email in advance of the meeting. This was agreed.

**6.2:** The clerk presented the budget for the upcoming year to the council. Discussion was held around the budget and possible precept options. The council unanimously agreed to request a precept of £2400 from Eden District Council for the year 2021/22. The clerk will arrange this.

##### **6.3: Payments:**

Clerks salary & backpay (Oct)	£153.10
Clerks salary (Nov)	£113.10
Clerks salary (Dec)	£113.10
Clerks expenses	£76.08

##### **Receipts:**

None

##### **Cheques to authorise:**

Clerks expenses	£63.46
Website domain fee	£15.00

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## 7. Planning Matters

**7.1:** 20/0598: 17 Brougham Hall Gardens, Brougham – Fell 2 x spruce trees and crown reduce 2 x hawthorn trees - GRANTED

**7.2:** 20/0159: Stable Cottage, Brougham – Erection of rear and side extensions – GRANTED

**7.3:** 20/0227: High Grounds, Clifton Dykes – Erection of agricultural shed. Part retrospective - GRANTED

**7.4:** 19/0584: Centre Parcs – replacement reception cabin and extension to aerial adventure course

**7.5:** 20/0690; Land north west of Pembroke Farm, Brougham – Reserved matters application for access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale attached to approval 18/0769 – No Objections – GRANTED

**7.6:** 20/0835: Cliburn Water Treatment Works, Station Rd, Cliburn – Construction of borehole kiosk – GRANTED

**7.7:** 20/0949: Julian Bower Farm, Cliburn – proposed agricultural building – GRANTED

**7.8:** 20/0886: Brougham Hall Gardens, Brougham – erection of a marquee between the months of April and December inclusive for use as an outdoor space for café and crafts – No Objection

**7.9:** 20/0990: Centre Parcs, Whinfell Forest Village – Variation of Condition 2 (Plans Compliance) to revise design and 4 (flume ride colour) attached to approval 18/0944 – *No objections however the council would like to state that they would like the woodland reinstating on completion of the works*

**7.10:** 20/0869: Lowther Holiday park, Eamont Bridge – extension to existing holiday caravan site involving the change of use of land from agriculture to the stationing of up to 125 caravans for holiday accommodation and associated works – SH provided some further information regarding this application. Neighbouring parish councils of Cliburn and Eamont Bridge have both objected to the plans, as have Cumbria County Council on the impact of highways and flood risk. Following discussion, it was agreed that BPC would object the planning application of the grounds of the increased traffic to the area, particularly in using the B6262 as a cut through, and also on the loss of 8.4ha of agricultural land which itself goes against EDC planning policy, and the associated environmental impacts this may have on things such as water run-off and increased flood risk.

## 8. Highways & Footpaths:

**8.1:** The blocked drains in the Brougham Hall Gardens/Brougham Avenue area have now been cleared. However, drains on the B6262 remain blocked and gutters are filled with leaves. CFB will again report to Highways Hotline.

**8.2:** Further to the recent meeting held with Highways regarding issues around Brougham Hall bend, as yet the council have heard nothing further. As highlighted under Item 5, the clerk will add this to the agenda for the next meeting and contact Highways should we not have had a response by then.

## 9. Correspondence:

**9.1:** The request received from MR T Moore, working on behalf of the milestone society, asking if the council would be willing to contribute toward having a historic milepost near Winderwath was again considered for the upcoming year. It was felt that funds did not quite allow for a donation this year but that council would consider this again next year.

**9.2:** There has been a request for local representatives for a working group for the A66 consultation. SH indicated she would like to be involved in this

## 10. Additional Matters:

**10.1:** SH informed the council that a log has been placed across the entrance to the car park at Brougham Hall. There have been a number of concerns about camper vans parking overnight during lockdown. Police have been contacted but as it is private land they are unable to take any action and advised blocking it off

**10.2:** GR has come across a Community Emergency Plan that was put out by the council some years ago detailing important contact details etc. GR is happy to update this plan if the council agree. It was felt this would be of benefit to the parish.

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### **11. Date of next meeting:**

A date of Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2021 at 11am was set for the next meeting. It is likely this will again be a virtual meeting held via Zoom

Meeting closed 11.50pm

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