

# NATLAND PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Council Meeting Held in Natland Village Hall At 7.30pm on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2007

### **07/118 Present:**

Cllr Peters in the Chair, Cllrs Bowley, Dickinson, Jackson, Outhwaite, and Parnham, District Councillor B Gray, two members of the public and the Clerk Mr K M Price. Apologies for absence were accepted from Cllr Mansfield.

### **07/119 Public participation:**

None.

### **07/120 Minutes:**

The minutes of the meeting of 10<sup>th</sup> September 2007 were agreed and signed by the Chair.

### **07/121 Matters arising:**

- a. 07/108 (and 07/51, 07/64, 07/78, 07/92). The Clerk reported that he had been in touch with SLDC, who agreed nothing had been done with our request for a litter bin on the road over Helm. This had now been recorded on their system and we would receive a reply in due course.
- b. 07/108 (and 07/87, 07/92). The Clerk had been assured that Nick Raymond would reply to our correspondence next week, concerning these highway matters.
- c. The Clerk had received written assurance from SLDC that we would be consulted on all future planning applications at Larkrigg.

### **07/122 Parish Plan:**

Nothing further to report.

### **07/123 Sedgwick Road footway:**

The Chair reported on the recent response he had received to his correspondence with SLDC. The hedge has recently been cut but it was agreed to organise a work party there in the spring. We await a reply from Nick Raymond in response to our contention that a single cut each year is not adequate.

### **07/124 Dog fouling on footways and bridleways:**

After some discussion, it was resolved to ask SLDC to renew two dog fouling signs and to provide two new ones. The Chair will publicise this via the notice board and the website.

**07/125 Appletree:**

The Clerk reported on the response he had received from the Police, who asked that residents wishing to report incidents involving children from the school should make a judgement whether to report the matter to the Police or the school, or both. After some discussion, it felt that the Parish Council cannot do much more at present, although concerns about the age range being catered for by the school continue to be expressed.

**07/126 Planning:**

- a. The Council confirmed the following comments made to SLDC on recent planning applications:*

SL/2007/1017 4 Smithy Close, Natland. Change of use of land to form domestic garden. No objection. (This has now been granted)  
 SL/2007/1044 3 Smithy Close, Natland. Change of use of agricultural land to garden. No objection. (This has now been granted)

- b. The following application was considered. It was resolved to support the application, providing the outside appearance of the barn remains relatively unchanged.*

SL/2007/1065 Cracalt Farm, Natland. Change of use of barn to form agricultural worker's dwelling.

- b. The following decision from SLDC was reported:*

SL/2007/0858 Highfield Lodge, Barrows Green. Change of use from offices to dwelling. Granted.

**07/127 Finance:**

- a. It was resolved to pay the following account:*

J R Nelson – Grasscutting No 8 £105.00

- b. The Clerk circulated to Councillors a brief financial statement from 1<sup>st</sup> April to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2007.*

**07/128 Reports:**

- a. School. Cllr Outhwaite reported that the recent Book Week had been most successful. Consideration was being given to putting bark down on the adventure playground.
- b. Church. Nothing to report.
- c. Village Hall. Nothing to report.
- d. Highways. Nothing to report.
- e. Footpaths. Cllr Dickinson reported that the broken sign on Natland Road has now been repaired. There has been some clearing on the footpath by the railway line, on the Natland side of the fence.

**07/129 Correspondence:**

- a. The Chair agreed to attend the Highways meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> November.
- b. The CALC AGM is on 10<sup>th</sup> November.
- c. There is an Open Day at The Helm on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November from 11am to 3pm. The Council should be receiving an invitation to attend.
- d. A request had been received for financial assistance from the North West Air Ambulance and it was agreed to make this an agenda item for the next meeting.

**07/130 Any other business:**

- a. A report was given on the recent Neighbourhood Forum meeting held at Natland on 15<sup>th</sup> October.
- b. It was agreed to make an agenda item for the next meeting 'Meeting Dates for 2008'.
- c. Suggestions had been made for a bus shelter to be provided at the top of Oxenholme Lane. The Clerk agreed to ask CCC if this is still a possibility and this will be an agenda item for the next meeting.

*The meeting closed at 9.15pm.*

*The next meeting will be at 7.30pm on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2007 in the Village Hall.*

*Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Chair*

*Dated:*