

SATTERTHWAITE PARISH COUNCIL

Reference No: **M056**

Minutes of a meeting of Satterthwaite Parish Council held in the Parish Room, Satterthwaite on Monday 21st January 2008 at 7-30pm.

Present

Mr P. Townsend (Chairman), Mrs E. Cringle, Mr R. Bruce, Mr T. Gill
Mr A. Stoker, Mr J. Wilson, Mr D. Fletcher
The Clerk

56/1. **Apologies**

None.

56/2. **Minutes**

The Minutes of the Council meeting held on Monday 19th November 2007 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

56/3. **Declarations of Interest**

None.

56/4. **Matters Arising**

● **New Clerk and May 2008 Elections**

No one has come forward to be Clerk, although discussions are still taking place with Colton PC. At least six people have indicated their willingness to stand as Councillors in the coming elections with two more undecided. There is little support at Colton for combining the two Councils.

● **Old Police Station Car Park**

Hawkshead PC has issued a notice to the effect that from 1st April, Satterthwaite and Claife residents will have to pay £5 per year to use the car park as they will no longer be subsidised. Hawkshead residents will be charged £2. Payment by users was considered the most sensible option four years ago when the issue of car park maintenance was first raised, but Hawkshead PC then disagreed. It has now taken up this Council's suggestion.

56/5. **Financial Reports & Payments**

● There are no changes to the account.

● Payment of the following was ratified:

Rusland and Satterthwaite Newsletter £40.00

Contribution towards Christmas tree lights on village green £20.00

● The following account was paid: Clerk's salary and expenses £231.10.

56/6. **Holiday Cottage Charter**

The letter was agreed with one minor modification. It will be hand delivered around the village and copies will be sent to all the commercial letting agencies.

56/7. **Grizedale Consultative Group**

A report on the 6th December meeting is attached.

56/8. **Car Park in Satterthwaite Village**

A central village car park on the Council land behind the church has been suggested as a solution to the number of parked cars blocking narrow lanes, but access and cost may be prohibitive.

Action - Clerk to contact LDNPA planners and ask for a site visit.

56/9. **Correspondence Received**

● **CCC** - Transforming Passenger Transport. Noted.

● **Hawkshead PC** - Agenda for 20/11/07 and Minutes of 16/10/07. Noted.

● **CALC** - New Parish Liaison Officer and Agenda for SL District Association on 29/11/07. Noted.

● **LDNPA** - Closure of Public Rights of Way for Motor Rally. Noted.

● **SLDC** - Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership, Consultation deadline 14/12/07. Noted.

- Colton PC - Agenda for 26/11/07 and Minutes of 15/10/07. Noted.
- FELLS - Cumbria Under Siege from wind farms. Noted.
- SLDC - Overview and Scrutiny Committees, consultation. Noted.
- Cumbria CVS - Newsletter November/December 2007. Noted.
- Diocese of Carlisle - Draft order to recover school assets of Satt & Rusland School. Noted.
- SLDC - Register of Electors 2008. Noted.
- Standards Board for England - Confirmation of Adoption of new Code of Conduct. Noted.
- CCC - Annual Report. Noted.
- Cumbria CVS - Newsletter Autumn/Winter 2007. Noted.
- CALC - South Lakeland District Ass, Minutes of 29/11/07. Noted.
- Voluntary Action Cumbria - The Gazette, Community Action Plans. Noted.
- Highways Agency - North-West Roadworks Leaflets. Noted.
- CALC - Circular Dec 2007/Jan 2008. Noted.
- High Furness Neighbourhood Forum - Summary of meeting held on 27/11/07. Noted.
- CCC - Cumbria Libraries Home Delivery Service. Noted.
- CCC - Minerals and Waste Development Framework, Newsletter. Noted.
- CCC - Highways, Newsletter Winter 2007. Noted.
- Rusland & Satterthwaite Newsletter - Letter of thanks for sponsorship. Noted.
- Tim Farron MP - Christmas Card. Noted.
- Colton PC - Agenda for 10/01/08 and Minutes of 26/11/07. Noted.
- Clerks and Councils Direct - Magazine Jan 2008. Noted.
- CALC - Course on 'The Effective Council' . Noted.
- Hawkshead PC - Agenda for 15/01/08 and Minutes of 20/11/07. Noted.
- Cumbria CVS - Newsletter Jan 2008. Noted.
- Northern Rock Foundation - Newsletter Winter 2007. Noted.

56/10. **Public Participation**

● Complaint was made about the number of commercial holiday cottages: few have dedicated car parking yet up to six cars can arrive at each one; the number of occupants is very high as every room is used as a bedroom; refuse collection depends on the fortnightly domestic service which is unacceptable; noise from loud music and fireworks disturbs residents; external lights are left on all night. It is affecting the quality of life in the village. These properties are taxed under domestic rates when they are commercial businesses and should be paying more.

The Chairman responded that it is the aim of the Holiday Cottage Charter (see 56/6) to find a solution to many of these problems by involving holiday cottage owners in village life.

Action - Clerk to ask SLDC about commercial taxation.

● As there is a major development at Grizedale with a large number of town-based tourists using the roads in winter, the roads should be gritted for safety.

Action - Clerk to contact Highways, pointing out the high usage of the valley roads in winter and asking for them to be gritted.

56/11. **Items for Inclusion in Next Agenda**

Holiday Cottage Charter and commercial holiday cottages.

Vacancy for Clerk.

56/12. **Date of Next Meeting**

Tuesday 11th March 2008.