

## **Blindcrake Parish Council**

### **Minutes of the Meeting of the Blindcrake Parish Council held at 7.30 on July 16th 2012 in Blindcrake Village Hall**

- 1) **Apologies for absence:** Jill Shaw
- 2) **Minutes of the May 2012 meeting. The Chairman was authorised to sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting as a true record of that meeting.**
- 3) **Members to declare any interests they may have in any item on the agenda: Members to sign the new version of the Declaration of interests.** None
- 4) **Adjournment of meeting: The Chairman will adjourn the meeting to allow parishioners an opportunity to ask questions and raise matters of interest.**

- a) Allerdale BC Locality Agenda: Eric Nicholson spoke on the delayed plans from ABC/CCC for locality working in the Cocker mouth area. The Joint Area Working Group will be made of up County & District Councillors for the area plus a representative from each of the parishes. (substitutes will be allowed). It was important that parishes sent a representative. It was hoped the first meeting would happen in late September.
- b) The ditch near the Flaggs needed clearing. Work had been completed on the Back Lonning but it was noted that in many places the gulleys were in need of emptying.
- c) It was noted that due to the wind farm access road at Williamsgate that they could be temporary traffic lights on the A595. Concern had been expressed that this might lead to drivers coming through Blindcrake. PCSO Lynn Postlethwaite would look into the matter.

#### **5) Maintenance and Matters of Report**

- a) Police Matters: PCSO was welcomed to the meeting. She introduced herself and said there would be a monthly newsletter for the Cocker mouth area. There had been no crimes in the Parish in the last two months.
- b) Low Farm Updates: The roof and walls were now completed and a small amount of internal work was taking place.
- c) Highway Stewards: Matters for: Drainage work has taken place in Sunderland which hopefully will prevent future flooding. The Clerk would contact CCC re the gulleys being emptied in the Parish.
- d) Royal Jubilee mugs for the children of the Parish: There had been a slow take up in collecting these. The remaining mugs would be sold as there appears to be a demand.
- e) Footpath Group: Work pending and funding being sought.
- f) Broadband survey: The contract for Broadband in Cumbria has been postponed until September.
- g) Notice Board at Isel Old Park: Work in progress.
- h) Gate on the well compound: A new catch was being made.
- i) Risk Assessment: The Council reviewed the risks to the Council and agreed that the current insurance cover was suitable and that other risks were very low.
- j) Approval of the Councils Financial Regulations: These remain as in past years and were approved by the meeting.
- k) Standards: There are a new set of standards which have to be incorporated in Standing Orders. There is a very tight timescale for this to be done. All councillors have to complete a new declaration of interests.

**6) Correspondence;**

- a) CALC Circular
- b) From Cumbria CC regarding A boards and street cafes in Blindcrake

7) **Planning Matters:** It was noted that Harrisons had received planning permission for a cement works in Clints Quarry

**13) Financial Matters:**

- a) Current financial report
- b) The payment for the Jubilee mugs was agreed (£343.73)

**14) Future agenda items and date of next meeting**

Tallentire Wind Farm Liaison meeting  
Cockermouth Joint Area Working Group  
New Standards document.

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**Dates of meetings in 2012:**

Sept 25<sup>th</sup>

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_