

Bampton Parish Council

Meeting: Parish Council Meeting **Date:** Tuesday, 19th March 2024

Venue: Bampton Memorial Hall

Present: India Tuer (IT), Alan Mackenzie (AM), David Bletcher (DB), Pete Salway (PS), Suzanne Stolberg (SS), Ray Bruin (RB), Neil Hughes (NH)

Apologies: None

In Attendance: Sandie Watson (Clerk/RFO) (SW)

Members of Public: 3

Minutes

Item	Key Points/decisions	Action
512.1 Apologies	Non received. Resolved that the apologies be accepted and the reasons recorded.	
513.2 Declarations of Interest	1. Register of Members Interests: Councillors are reminded of the need to update their Register of Interests. 2. Personal Interests:- IT item 8, 7/2024/3006 Mardale Inn 3. Prejudicial Interests:- IT item 8, 7/2024/3006 Mardale Inn IT made a statement for item 8, 7/2023/3005 & 3006 Eastward Farm “I wish to state that I have neither a personal nor prejudicial interest in planning application 7/2023/3005 & 3006 and I will keep an open mind and make a decision based only on the facts placed before me at this parish council meeting”. 4. Dispensation Requests. None received.	ALL
514.3 Minutes	Resolved that the minutes from the Parish Council Meeting on 30 th January 2024 were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.	
515.4 Outcomes of Actions of last meeting	IT and SW to draft a letter for property owners and article to go in the newsletter regarding refuse disposal. Business owners must organise trade waste collections and not use domestic waste collections. SS reported that 10 businesses are interested in advertising on the website of these 4 have paid. Clerk and SS to create invoices.	IT & SW SS & SW
516.5 Public Participation	Pot holes in the parish – these have been reported. The temporary road works between Bampton and Bampton Grange are thought to due to BT works.	SW
517.6 Local Flooding Issues	IT reported that data has been received from parishioners affected by flooding. A list has been created. The Council are liaising with W&FC Community Resillience team. A meeting has been organised, Environment Flood Group, which DB will attend on behalf of the council. SS to put a final request in the parish newsletter for any further flooding issues that need to be reported to the Council.	SW DB SS
517.7 External Meetings, W&FC Report	NH reported there are ‘drop in’ centres locally for parishioners to respond to the bus routes consultation - W&FC have secured £1.7million of funding. Consultation is also available on W&FC Council website and social media. NH reported that the road closures for utility companies are organised by utilities companies and works may not always be carried out to schedule.	
518.8 Planning Applications	Applications: 7/2024/3013 Land west of Drybarrows Farm	SW

	<p>Erection of proposed 27.5m high lattice tower, 1no. generator, 5no. ground-based equipment cabinets and ancillary developments thereto within an 11x10m fenced compound. Ratified no objection with comments.</p> <p>7/2024/3012 Crossgate, Bampton Ground mounted solar array. Ratified no objection with comments.</p> <p>7/2024/3007 Beckfoot House, Helton, Penrith CA10 2QB Installation of 32 panel ground mounted solar PV system in field adjacent to the house and garden south side. Ratified no objection provided the existing hedge is restored to screen visibility.</p> <p>7/2024/3006 Mardale Inn, Bampton Installation of ground mounted solar array. Ratified no objection with conditions.</p> <p>7/2023/3005 & 3006. Eastward Farm, Bampton Conversion and alterations of attached barn to provide additional living accommodation for the farmhouse. Internal and external renovations and alterations to farmhouse. Construction of new detached pool building following the demolition of existing modern farm buildings, resubmission following withdrawal of application 7/2022/3031. Ratified strong objection.</p> <p>A letter had been received today from the applicant which the Clerk read out. Following discussion, the Council resolved its decision to strongly object to the application. The council resolved that harassment and bullying of its members and the Clerk will not be tolerated and will be reported to the planning authorities and Cumbria Association of Local Councils. The Council is a statutory consultee only. Decisions are determined by the planning authority and an appeal process is in place.</p> <p>Decisions: 7/2023/3188 Grange Farm, Bampton Grange, CA10 2QR Formation of track and an area of hardstanding, the erection of a new agricultural building and the installation of a soakaway. Ratified neutral/no objection. Approved with conditions.</p> <p>Enforcements: E/2022/0164 Carhullan Farmhouse, Bampton Shap, CA10 2QL The Council are awaiting an update from LDNPA regarding alleged non-compliance with planning application 7/2019/3167.</p> <p>Appeals: Appeal Notification Crown and Mitre Hotel, Bampton Grange, Penrith CA10 2RQ Opposition to the appeal has been submitted. Awaiting further development.</p> <p>Appeal Notification 1 Conn Cottages, Bampton, Penrith CA10 2RQ The Council support the decision by LDNPA. No further action. Awaiting response.</p>	
519.9 Garden Waste Skip Scheme Agreement 2024	The Council resolved to sign the agreement.	SW
520.10	The Council resolved to support the request to install a Christmas Tree with lights in the Community Garden in December 2024.	

Christmas Tree in the Community Garden		
521.11 Computer Equipment	Resolved the Council resolved to spend £500.00 towards the purchase a new laptop for the Clerk.	SW
522.12 D Day 80 Event	Lowther Estates have given permission for a beacon to be lit on the Scar (weather permitting). IT and AM to organise a working group.	IT & AM
523.13 Litter Pick	IT will organise a litter pick for Saturday 6 th April 10am at the Bampton Memorial Hall. Equipment will be provided. IT to put advert in the parish newsletter.	IT
524.14 Annual Review and adoption of Council Policies	Resolved to adopt Standing Orders, Financial Regulations, Appraisal Policy, Equal Opportunities Policy, Recruitment Policy, Sickness and Absence Policy, Training and Development Policy, Disciplinary and Grievance Policy, Privacy Notice, Publications Scheme, Grant Policy, Code of Conduct, Transparency Code, Dispensation Policy and form, GDPR Privacy Notice, SAR Policy and form, Health and Safety Policy, Retention of Documents Policy, Risk Management Policy, Risk Assessment, Complaints Procedure, Data Breach Policy, Communications Policy, Data Protection Policy, Freedom of Information Policy, Website Accessibility Statement, Pension Policy, Protocol on recording and filming of council meetings.	
525.15 Financial Report	Resolved: The Clerk circulated the budget and bank reconciliation. Closing balance on 1 st March 2024 is £8145.95 Business a/c £3,009.43 Reserve a/c. The Council reviewed and accepted the transactions and budget 2023/24 updates.	
526.16 Payments of account	Resolved, the Council approved for payment: Clerks Wages/Expenses £888.02, Village Hall £10, CPSL £34.80, Laptop £500.	SW
527.17 Correspondence	Freedom of Information Request received. Clerk to action.	SW
528.18 Items for agenda and dates of next meetings	Tuesday, 21 st May 2024 Annual Parish Meeting at 7pm followed by Annual Parish Council Meeting at 7.30pm Tuesday, 23 rd July 2024 at 7.30pm Tuesday 17 th September 2024 at 7.30pm Tuesday, 19 th November 2024 at 7pm All meetings at Bampton Memorial Hall	SW

Meeting closed 20.41pm