

## **Minutes of the Meeting of Lowick Parish Council held on 19 September 2019 (2019-5)**

### **1. Councillors Present:**

G Sanderson, J Edmondson, L Ingham. District Councillors Anne Hall and Ian Wharton

**Apologies:** B Mitchell, J Longmire

**2. Minutes:** The minutes of the last meeting were agreed and adopted.

### **3. Public Participation**

3 members of the public attended and raised the issue about the Farmer's Arms. There are concerns that the building will fall into a state of dilapidation because it no longer has tenants and is not functioning as a public house. Part of the establishment is in Lowick but primarily it falls within Egton parish. The owners have been asked about their intentions and confirm they are seeking tenants and are aware of the situation. This is an historic building. DC Wharton has spoken with the MP and alerted him to the problems. DC Hall suggested ACT be contacted to discuss the issue of heritage being at risk. After discussion, it was agreed that GS will talk with Egton PC and LI will contact various individuals to establish possible routes for a dilapidation order to force the owners to prevent it falling into disuse and disrepair.

1 member of the public attended to raise concerns about the planning application by Arqiva to erect a smart metering pole and antennae on the A5092. This pole with associated works would be alien to the area, obtrusive and an eyesore just at the edge of LDNP. During discussion it was felt that the applicants had not considered any more acceptable alternatives nor sharing with other masts established in the area. Councillors agreed that a letter would be sent to SLDC objecting to the proposed development.

### **4. Declarations of Interest**

JE is representative on LCH.

### **5. Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Last Meeting**

- a. Lowick Community Hall Update:  
No update.
- b. Lowick Green Management Committee Update:  
No update.
- c. CCC Highways  
Proposed flower boxes at Lowick Bridge crossroads – BM provided a response from Kirkby PC who confirmed they had sought planning permission for their flower boxes. Councillors are of the opinion that the flower boxes should be put in place and any consequences be dealt with as required. County Councillor Matt Brereton to be informed.
- d. X12 bus service  
AH advised that the Friends of the X12 have been successful in getting charitable status which may mean more access to grant funding. A Charity Manager will be appointed to run the service. AH is asking parishes to

consider giving a donation. The service will never be profitable but it provides an invaluable social service.

- e. Website/Transparency Code  
Ongoing. Grant received - £1905.00. Computer purchased. Data being transferred from Clerk's personal computer. Services from a computer consultant required.
- f. Parish Plan  
Defer. Another newsletter planned.
- h. Lengthsman  
No Invoice for this meeting.

## 6. Finance

- a. **General Items**

Barclays 18/07/2019	£ 5881.28
Pay Clerk for anti-virus for computer	£ 32.15
Pay M Rich Computer Consultant fees	£ 81.25
Pay Water Yeat Village Hall hire fees	£ 17.00
- b. Cash Flow circulated.

## 7. Correspondence

Clerks and Councils Direct; Letter from local residents about concerns about Farmer's Arms and asking PC to intervene – see Public Participation.

Emails circulated:

Planning applications:

Hawkswell Farm – approved.

Barn at Woodgate crossing - outstanding.

Arqiva smart metering pole and antennae and associated works. See Public Participation. PC to object to proposed development.

## 8. Complaints:

None received

## 9. External Meetings

SBP 26/09. GS reported that a further meeting may be called when the Glover report had been considered.

## 10 Bus Shelter Maintenance

Lengthsman is assessing what work is required.

## 11. Kirkby Moor

Report from Planning Enquiry noted.

## 12. Farmer's Arms

See Public Participation. PC undertaking active enquiries.

## 13. Date & Time of Next Meeting

Thursday, 21 November 2019 at 7.30pm in Lowick Community Hall.

Meeting ended at 9.25pm.