

GILCRUX PARISH COUNCIL

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A meeting of Gilcrux Parish Council was held at the Gilcrux Village Hall, Gilcrux at 6.30pm on Wednesday 18th January 2023.

Present: Councillor's Simon Jones (Chair), Debbie Taylor, Jane Sugden, James Eve, David Griffiths. David lake, and C Thorpe

Also, Present: Trevor Gear (Clerk), and M. Harris (Shadow Unitary Authority Councillor) Together with about 25 members of the public for the presentation by Inspector Aiston

Apologies: **None**

1/2023 Members Apologies

None.

2/2023 15 Minute Parishioners Open Forum

Inspector Aiston, the Policing Team Inspector of Cumbria Police gave a presentation regarding the recent spate of burglaries, Neighbourhood Watch, and the policing of Gilcrux in general. The officers responsible for the parish are PC Samuel Steel and PCSO Kerry Harris who are based in Maryport. He also provided information regarding how to contact the police by 101, e-mail, live chat and call back.

3/2023 Declarations of Interest

None.

4/2023 Confirmation of minutes

On the proposal of D. Taylor and seconded by D. Griffiths.

RESOLVED – that the Chair sign as a correct record, the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 16th November 2022.

5/2023 Exclusion of the Press and Public

On the proposal of S. Jones and seconded by D. Lake it was agreed to exclude the Press and Public for items 26 because it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1 & 2 Schedule, 12A of Local Government Act 1972.

6/2023 Advisory Funding Group. (CCF)

D. Griffiths advised that there had been no correspondence, no bids, and no action since the last meeting of the council. There is a meeting due to be held in Gilcruix Village Hall next month.

7/2027 Correspondence received since last Parish Council Meeting.

The following items of correspondence have been received since the last meeting and circulated to members for their information: -

Several items of information relating to the Coronavirus – Covid 19 pandemic. and several e-mails regarding the Cost-of-living Crisis and Climate Change

NALC Legal Update-December2022

Connecting Cumbria Newsletter December 2022

CALC News November & December 2022

Cumbria Good Lighting Technical Advice Note

Police and Crime Commissioner consultation on his budget proposals and his Autumn Newsletter.

United Utilities – Crummock, Chapel House & Overwater Reservoir Decommission Project Website and Consultation Events

ACT Update – December 2022

Help & Support over Christmas – Allerdale and Copeland

CCRG Ambulance Service Industrial Action 21/12/2022

New opportunity – ZCCP Sector Group Lead

Upcoming online sessions to strengthen community resilience this winter.

Cumbria CVS Focus on Funding – November 2022

SAAA appointment of External; Auditor – Moore

Boundary Commission for England 2023 Boundary Review

CALC Parish Council Communication

Sustainable Warmth Grants in Cumbria

Cumbria Community Resilience Group

Extra funding available for Road Safety Awareness in Allerdale

8/2023 Clerks Report

The clerk provided a verbal report on matters he had dealt with since the last meeting which included the following: -

i) He has received a copy of the Voters Register for use in connection with parish council business.

li) He had received a complaint regarding a trench opposite the village hall car park which he had reported to Highways.

iii) He had completed the re-enrolment and re-declaration with the Pension Regulator as legally required.

8/2023 Borough and Shadow Unitary Councillor's report

M. Harris (Shadow Unitary Councillor) had prepared a written report that had been circulated to members (copy attached), the contents of which he discussed with members.

There had been no apologies or reports from the Borough Councillors.

9/2023 Financial update and cheque authorities

(i) The Clerk confirmed that after payment of the accounts the cheque account stands at **£7759.61** and deposit account at **£668.50**.

(ii) The following paid accounts were to be ratified and the outstanding accounts were authorised to be paid: -

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| T Gear/Clerks | Salary (Nov./Dec.) | £311.28 |
| Expenses (Inc. Travelling, postage, stationery, and sundries) | | £95.46 |
| | Total | £406.74 |
| HRMC | Income tax (Nov./Dec.) | £77.82 |
| WS Reid Ltd | Refurbishment of Noticeboards | £397.80 |
| Gilcruix Village Hall | Hall Rental (Jan.) | £16.00 |

RESOLVED – that the payment of the accounts since the last meeting be ratified and those outstanding be paid.

10/2023 Planning Applications

i) Consultation

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| VAR/2023/0003 | Variation to condition 2 to amend layout of Plot 3 2/2015/0747 Plot 3 East Croft, Gilcruix, CA7 2QX | No Objections |
| HOU/2022/0232 | Proposed single storey side extension 1 Garth Cottages, Gilcruix CA7 2QR | No Objections |
| FUL/2022/0268 | Demolition of farmhouse and attached barns Replace with 3No. dwellings Chapel Farm, Greengill, Gilcruix, CA7 2QX | No Objections |
| VAR/2022/0036 | Variation of condition 5 on OUT/2019/0023 Chapel Farm, Greengill, Gilcruix, CA7 2QX | No Objections |
| RMA/2022/0009 | Reserved matters for approved application OUT/2019/0023 for 13 dwellings Chapel Farm, Greengill, Gilcruix | No Objections |
| RMA/2022/0005 | Reserved matters application for approved Application VAR/2022/0026 Land SE of Greengill Farm, Gilcruix, CA7 2RB | No Objection |
| RMA/2022/0006 | Reserved matters application for approved Application VAR2022/0026 Land SE of Greengill Farm, Gilcruix, CA7 2RB | No Objection |
| RMA/2022/0007 | Reserved matters application for approved Application VAR2022/0026 Land SE of Greengill Farm, Gilcruix, CA7 2RB | No Objection |

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| RMA/2022/0008 | Reserved matters application (appearance & Landscaping) for approved Application VAR/2022/0008 Land SE of Greengill Farm, Gilcruix, CA7 2RB | No Objection |
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ii) Decisions

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| VAR/2022/0026 | Variation of condition 4 (approved plans) on approved application OUT/2019/0022 to be reworded Land Southeast of Greengill Farm, Gilcruix | Approved |
| RMA/2022/0006 | Reserved matters application for approved Application VAR2022/0026 Land SE of Greengill Farm, Gilcruix, CA7 2RB | Approved |
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iii) Appeals

None

vi) Any other planning related correspondence

None

11/2023 We are curious (Cumbria)

D. Taylor addressed the meeting on behalf of 'We are Curious (Cumbria)' and advised that there was a double page spread in the village newspaper. The group were preparing a documentary film and a podcast which will be monthly.

12/2023 Update on St Mary's Church – Funding and work.

No update for this meeting but the clerk will arrange one for the next meeting.

13/2022 Grit Bins

Members advised that all bins were currently at an acceptable level and the gritter had been through the parish during the last cold spell which had helped.

14/2023 Accidents at Bullgill.

D. Lake was the lead on this and was still waiting for a response from the police.

15/2023 Neighbourhood Watch

Members will look at the information online and discuss further at the next meeting.

16/2023 Play Park Annual Inspection

This was discussed briefly, and action is in hand.

17/2023 Geological Disposal Facility in Allerdale

Regular updates that are received by the clerk are circulated. At the recent Public Annual Meeting of the Allerdale GDF Community Partnership changes to the search area were announced but the parish remains in the search area

18/2023 Local Government Review

Members had been circulated newsletters on a weekly basis.

19/2023 Website

D. Taylor advised all was progressing well and that she had been in touch with the present website manager.

20/2023 Grass cutting contract 2023.

Three estimates were presented to the meeting, and it was agreed to award the contract to Mike Dowling Contracting Ltd.

21/2023 Bullgill Defibrillator

This was discussed and authority was given to the clerk to buy replacement pads when they require replacing in February.

22/2023 Wigton Baths.

A letter had been received from Wigton Baths seeking financial support. This was discussed at length but as it is unlikely that residents would use the facility it was decided not to support this cause on this occasion.

23/2023 Support for GVHET Grant Application

The council confirmed it support for a grant application for storage batteries. Any financial support to be discussed at a future meeting.

24/2023 Matters for Next Meeting.

'We are curious (Cumbria)'

St Mary's Church – Funding and Restoration Work

Play Park Inspection Report

Website

Bullgill – Accidents

Neighbourhood Watch

25/2023 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on **Wednesday 15th March 2023, at 6.30pm** at Gilcruix Village Hall

26/2023 Complaint from a Resident

These matters were investigated by Allerdale Borough Council who have written to the Councillors concerned advising them that the matters are now closed.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.05pm.

Signed as a true and correct record.

..... **Chair**

Date

Attendance over the past 12 Meetings

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| J Eve | 6/12 | S Jones | 11/12 | D Griffiths | 11/12 |
| D. Lake | 8/12 | D. Taylor | 11/12 | C Thorpe | 7/12 |
| J. Sugden | 4/5 | T Gear | 12/12 (Parish Clerk) | | |