

**WHICHAM PARISH COUNCIL
DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD
ON WEDNESDAY 6 JUNE 2018 IN
KIRKSANTON VILLAGE HALL COMMENCING AT 07.30PM**

PRESENT: Cllr S Wilson, Cllr M Sharp, Cllr M. Cumming (Chair), Cllr C Lowery,
Cty Cllr K Hitchen,
Borough Cllr G Scurrah
PCSO Booth
2 members of public

23/18: APOLOGIES: Cllr A Fell, Cllr P Rand, Cllr R Jopson, Cllr V Bradley,

24/18 : Exclusions of Press and Public

There were no items that required the exclusion of press or public

25/18 Declarations of Interest

None

26/18 Minutes of the meeting held on 2 May 2018

The minutes of the meeting held on 2 May 2018 were approved and signed by the Chair.

27/18 Police Liaison Report

A report had been received and had been previously circulated. The report was accepted. PCSO Booth reported that there were no major incidents. Rural logs were down by about a third. Cllr Wilson asked if a reported knife incident had been reported involving a taxi driver in Silecroft. PCSO Booth stated that violence was increasing and children had been discovered carrying knives to school.

The other PCSO was leaving to join the regular force and therefore his area had increased. It was hoped to replace.

Cllr Cumming raised the issues of cars parked outside the King Billy pub at Kirksanton which blocked the road requiring farm vehicles to go around the village green. There was a question as to who the land at the junction belonged to.

28/18 PROGRESS REPORTS

28/18.1 Silecroft Tennis Courts

After discussions with Playdale regarding the line painting, a new proposed plan had been submitted. The Parish Council agreed to the new line painting plan. The Clerk to contact Playdale.

29/18 Public Participation Session

A resident complained that tractors, cars and vans were using the track around the village green as a short cut and also because of parking outside the King Billy pub. She asked if a sign could be put up stating that it was for Private Access only and No Through Road by order of the Parish Council. The Clerk to source metal signs/posts. Cty Cllr Hitchen suggested that photograph of where the planned signs were to be located by sent to Kevin Cosgrove, Cumbria Highways Dept for approval.

Potholes have also appeared at the lower end of the track. Cllr Sharp said he would investigate.

30/18 County Councilor and Borough Councilor Report

Cty Cllr Hitchen reported that he had nothing new to report. He was asked if he could find out with highways who owned the land at the junction near the King Billy. Ct Cllr Hitchen reported that he was still awaiting a response re the 30mph signs for Silecroft.

Borough Councilor Scurrah stated he had nothing to report.

31/18 Applications for Development

31/18.1 To examine applications for development and submit observations to the Planning Authority

7/2018/4041 Silecroft Beach Car Park, Silecroft

This application is for two site cabins, each 10m long and 3m wide, place parallel 6 m apart. The principle cabin contains a small kitchen and serving area and seating. The second cabin will have a disabled toilet (DocM spec) in one end and further seating

After consideration the Parish Council would prefer the following options:

Option 1 (preferred option) that both cabins be placed directly adjacent to each other (ie no spacing in between) this would reduce the overall footprint of the proposal and reduce the visual impact of the temporary buildings on the environment. There was also concern regards to the security of the buildings and this would also reduce this risk.

If this is not physically possible then

Option 2 The cabins to be placed in a "L" shape with the opening facing south. The reasoning for this is that prevailing wind is of generally of a North westerly direction and the L would form a natural wind break. It would not block the views, there would be easier access to the 2nd cabin than that proposed via ramp access and it would not need to cut into the banking at the rear (which the original proposal does) where the land backs onto a SSSI site.

Should neither of these options be considered by the planning authority and the only option to be considered is the one submitted then the Parish Council would like the following amendments/conditions made:

a) as there is no justification for the proposed 6 m gap that this be reduced to a maximum of 4 m so that it has less of an impact on the banking at the rear and the SSSI site adjoining it

b) That no awning permanent or temporary is allowed to be placed between the 2 cabins.

Should planning be granted for any of the options the Parish Council would like the following conditions applied to the planning consent:

a) the length of time that the temporary buildings are in situ is reduced from the 5 years proposed to 3 years from date of planning consent. The reason for this is that the original building which has been in situ for nearly 12 months was placed there on the premise it would be temporary for 2 years only to obtain data to show whether there was a business case for a more permanent structure. The Parish Council are of the opinion that an additional 3 years is more than sufficient time to obtain data, secure planning for a permanent structure and secure funding for such a project.

b) the opening times of the café is 10-4pm during the winter months (ie 1 November to 31 March) and 10am - 6pm during the summer months (ie 1 April - 31 October)

This is to ensure that the café activities do not impede on nearby residents and cause a nuisance

7/2018/4042 Cloagar, Silecroft

Extension and alterations

After consideration the Parish council were concerned about the size of the proposed development which effectively doubled the site of the current building. The Parish Council understand the reasons for an additional bedroom and feel that an extension that is the size/footprint of the existing bedroom located within the building is more than sufficient to meet the needs.

It was felt that the size of the development would have a detrimental visual impact on the landscape.

Other concerns raised were:

a) it was unclear where the septic tank was located for this property and where the soak away ran to?

b) what is this property currently classified as?

c) in the application it claims to be a primary residence has there been a change of use application been made to change from a secondary to a primary residence?

31/18.2 To ratify the observations submitted by the Clerk under devolved
None Undertaken

31/18.3 To note the decisions of the statutory planning authority with regards to recent applications:
None

32/18 FINANCIAL RECORDS

32/18.1 The following payments were approved:

L Cooper	Clerks Salary & expenses	£468.50
HMRC	PAYE	£ 96.00

Whitbeck PCC	Grass cutting April	£ 70.00
KMC Grafix	Toilet signs	£ 60.00
Thomas Graham	Toilet supplies	£ 83.82
Saunders	Transport of stone for car park	£120.00
J Hillier	Toilet cleaning April	£250.00
S Wilson	Refreshments for AGM	£ 19.00

32/18.2 To note the receipt of payments
None received

32/18.3 To receive and note the **bank reconciliation** statement 4 May 2018
In the absence of Cllr Bradley this was held over until the next meeting

32/18.4 To consider the **Budget Comparison Report** as at 31 May 2018 and determine action need to address deviations from the budget.
None required

32/18.5 The Clerk reported that all information and notices required were now on the website and that the Council were compliant with the conditions of external audit.

33/18 PARISH MATTERS

33/18.1 Silecroft Beach Front and Toilets

The Clerk reported that stage 2 of the application had now to be completed and 3 quotes were required for the building work.

33/18.2 Car park issues

The Clerk reported that the stone had been delivered by the quarry. Cllr Sharpe to review and spread the stone.

33/18.3 Pop-up Cafe

It was still unsure what the date would be for the event at the café. Await confirmation from the CIC.

33/18.4 Donation Box – Silecroft car park

Cllr Sharp is waiting for the design form James Luke.

33/18.5 Re-planting of war memorial site

A quotation had been received from the landscape company. As it was unclear what Cllr Fell had asked them to quote for it was decided, in his absence, to defer this item to the next meeting.

33/18.6 Data Protection

The Clerk reported that all Policies were now displayed on the website

33/18.7 Notice Boards

Cllr Cumming reported that it was hoped that the Kirksanton notice board would be completed by July. Cllr Lowery reported that she thought that the Whitbeck notice board was repairable and agreed to investigate.

33/18.8 Request for a memorial bench

A request had been received to locate a memorial bench at Silecroft beach front. In principle there were no objections to the proposal, but it was unclear as to the exact location. Clerk to arrange a site visit.

33/18.9 Review of Community Plan

Act to be contacted regarding the review process and the conducting of a mini survey, Plan to have review completed by January 2019.

34/18 Reports from outside bodies

None

35/18 CORRESPONDENCE All correspondence had been circulated to councilors. The following had not been circulated.

- A letter had been received from Lake District National Park re their Local Plan Review Consultation. All responses to be received by 29th June 2018
- A letter had been received from regarding Merchant Navy Day on 3rd September. It was agreed to purchase a red ensign flag to be flown at Silecroft beach

36/18 Councilor Matters

None

37/18 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – to confirm the next meeting will be Wednesday 4th July 2018 commencing at 7.30pm in **Silecroft Village Hall**.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 21.45

Signed..... Dated.....