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# QUERNMORE PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 4<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2023

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Present: Councillors: G Kelsall (Chair), J Fox, J Pye, D Whitaker, B Carter  
Clerk: Gareth Catterson

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### 23/145 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillors: J Townley, A Johnson, J Alexander,  
District Councillor: J Pritchard,  
County Councillor: Matthew Maxwell-Scott

### 23/146 OPEN SESSION

No members of the public were present.

### 23/147 MINUTES

The Minutes of the previous Parish Council meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> October were confirmed and signed as a correct record and the Clerk was asked to upload them to the website.

Clerk

### 23/148 MATTERS ARISING

The Clerk reported that he had sent a letter to Highwood regarding the potentially dangerous parking but had received no reply. He had also phoned and texted the mobile number of the community police officer provided to him by Cllr Johnson but had received no response. He would contact Lancaster Police Station to get a contact with whom he could raise the issue.

Clerk

The Clerk also reported that County Councillor Maxwell-Scott had been helpful in raising the issue of the dangerous trees with the County Highways Department. They had confirmed the trees had significant parasitic fungal infections within the root plates of the trees and stated they would carry out the works by the end of November 2023, with the remaining trees noted for future health inspections. As of the date of the meeting the trees were still standing.

### 23/149 POLICE AND COMMUNITY

No reports

### 23/150 FINANCIAL MATTERS

The Clerk reported the current bank balance was £1,902.80. Changes from the previous meeting were:

#### 1. 'Money Out'

Charge for uncontested election for Quernmore Parish Council on 04 May 2023 - £120

## 23/151 PLANNING MATTERS

The following were reported (as at 24.11.23):

23/00324/FUL	<b>Land Adjacent To Grab Lane Lancaster</b> - Demolition of Oatlands Farmhouse and associated outbuildings and erection of 232 dwellings with associated open space, landscaping, car parking, access and supporting infrastructure	Awaiting decision
23/00627/FUL	<b>Lune Aqueduct Car Park Caton Road Lancaster</b> - Reconfiguration of existing car park, installation of 12 electric vehicle charging stations, construction of an area of hardstanding for associated infrastructure including substation and cabinets, construction of internal access road, new parking area and relocation of existing container, and erection of boundary fencing, gates, and lighting columns	Awaiting decision
23/00584/LB	<b>Dam Head Farm Procter Moss Road Ellel</b> - Listed building application for the demolition of existing outbuildings to the rear, removal and relaying of stone flag floor, re-roofing of the barn, rebuilding of the shippon, erection of a double garage and high stone wall, installation of new window/door openings, rooflights, concrete yard, planting and new gate access to field	Awaiting decision
23/00583/FUL	<b>Dam Head Farm Procter Moss Road Ellel</b> - Partially retrospective application for the conversion of existing barn and shippon to a dwelling (C3) and holiday cottage including reroofing of the barn, rebuilding of the shippon and erection of a double garage to the rear	Awaiting decision
23/00746/LB	<b>Quernmore Old School Bay Horse Road Quernmore</b> - Listed building application installation of a package treatment plan, vent to the front elevation, insertion of pod to form bathroom/ kitchenette and associated landscaping	Awaiting decision
23/00746/FUL	<b>Quernmore Old School Bay Horse Road Quernmore</b> - Change of use of former school (f1) to a holiday let (sui), installation of a package treatment plant, vent to the side elevation and associated landscaping	Awaiting decision
23/00748/FUL	<b>Stanley Farm Quernmore Road Quernmore</b> - Change of use and conversion of agricultural building to 2 residential dwellings, including vehicular access works, parking provision, landscaping and boundary treatment, refuse storage, and package treatment plant	Awaiting decision
23/00904/FUL	<b>Quernmore House Littledale Road Quernmore</b> - Change of use of two dwellings (C3) and office (use class E) into one dwelling (C3) including demolition of conservatory and porch, erection of a two storey side extension, construction of a raised roof, installation of rooflights to the front and rear, conversion of detached building to create two storey ancillary accommodation, erection of detached garage, alterations to land levels, installation of sewage treatment plant, ground source heating system, creation of associated access and parking area	Awaiting decision

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23/01101/FUL	<b>The New Bungalow Quernmore Road Quernmore</b> - Installation of an air source heat pump to the rear	Awaiting decision
23/01202/FUL	<b>Moorside Farm Grimeshaw Lane Quernmore</b> – Demolition of existing farmhouse and link buildings to the attached stone barn, demolition of garage, erection of a replacement dwelling (C3) incorporating balcony, change of use of attached agricultural barn to ancillary domestic use (C3) and erection of a garage	Awaiting decision
23/00181/DIS	<b>Sofidel UK Caton Road Quernmore</b> – Discharge of conditions 3, 4 and 5 on approved application 23/00063/FUL	Application Permitted
23/01312/FUL	<b>Old Parkside Farm Denny Beck Lane Quernmore</b> – Retrospective application for engineering works to form alterations of land levels	Awaiting decision
23/01264/AD	<b>Friars Moss Friars Moss Road Quernmore</b> – Agricultural Determination for the replacement of two concrete yards	Awaiting decision
23/01255/ADV	<b>14 Mannin Way Lancaster</b> – Advertisement application for the display of 3 externally illuminated fascia signs	Awaiting decision

Councillors noted the number of planning applications outstanding.

#### **23/152 DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

No District or County Councillors were present for this item.

#### **23/153 DOCUMENTS & CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

The following correspondence has been received since the last meeting up to 3 May 2023: -

##### **1. Rural Services Network:**

- 1.1. The Rural Bulletin – weekly
- 1.2. Rural Funding Digest – November 2023 Edition

##### **2. Lancashire County Council:**

- 2.1. Parish Council Briefing: Presentation on the Lieutenancy
- 2.2. Storm Arwen Community Resilience Fund - briefing session invite
- 2.3. Love to Ride - Town and Parish Councillors - Winter Wheelers
- 2.4. Lancashire Trading Standards - Consumer Alerts – November 2023
- 2.5. Winter Stakeholder bulletin – weekly from 10 November 2023
- 2.6. Public Realm Agreements
- 2.7. New foster carer recruitment campaign

##### **3. Lancaster City Council**

- 3.1. Elections Invoice

##### **4. Community Connectors**

- 4.1. NHS message re supporting communities over the winter period.
- 4.2. Lancashire Adult Training in Partnership with Morecambe Football Club
- 4.3. Lancashire Warm Spaces Grant Scheme 23/24
- 4.4. Crowdfund Lancashire
- 4.5. The Community Ownership Fund
- 4.6. LDCVS's online workshop for writing funding applications
- 4.7. Parish Council Briefing: Presentation on the Lieutenancy

##### **5. County Cllr Matthew Maxwell-Scott**

- 5.1. Reply from Lancashire County Council re trees at Quernmore Brow

**6. NHS Lancashire & South Cumbria**  
**6.1. Stakeholder newsletter – Autumn 2023**

**23/154 ITEMS INTRODUCED BY MEMBERS (if any)**

The Clerk reported that Councillor Johnson had asked him to raise concerns that he and some parishioners had about activity at Old Parkside Farm. He had requested the Clerk to seek from the Planning Department more information about planning application 23/01312/FUL, and whether the site was designated a farm or an industrial site. The Clerk reported he had been informed that planning application 23/01312/FUL had been returned as it was now deemed to be a matter for Lancashire County Council. Parish Councillors asked the Clerk to email the Planning Department expressing a general concern about the site, on behalf of some parishioners. It appeared that Old Parkside Farm was being used mainly for industrial purposes for which it assumed not to have permission and that confirmation was required that this is under investigation by the Planning Department. He was also asked to make the Planning Department aware that the Parish Council had already had to register a complaint with Environmental Health regarding foul dense black smoke coming from the premises on 5th November 2023. The fire was no ordinary Guy Fawkes night bonfire but rather the burning of what could only have been assumed to be industrial waste.

Clerk

The Clerk reported that Councillor Alexander had asked if the Parish Council would fund a tree guard for the tree planted to commemorate the King's Coronation. The Council approved expenditure on such a tree guard up to the value of the remaining budget set aside for the planting of a commemorative tree. Councillor Whittaker offered to investigate possible options and costs.

Cllr  
Whittaker

**23/155 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting would be held on Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2024 at 7.30 pm in Quernmore Recreation Club. Clerk to make necessary arrangements.

Clerk

Certified as a correct record \_\_\_\_\_ G.Kelsall (Chair)