

MATTERDALE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Matterdale Parish Council meeting which took place at 7.00pm on Monday 9 January 2023 in Watermillock Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs V Gore (Chair), C Beaumont, E Bray, R Dobinson, M Firth, D Harrison, D Holder, R Lloyd, W McAlpine, B Shaw, J Wilson

In attendance: N Phillips (Clerk). J Derbyshire (Westmorland and Furness shadow), D Brown

20. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Received apologies and approved reasons for absence from Cllr Holder (prior engagement)

21. MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING held on 14 November 2022

Authorised the chair to sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting held on 14 November 2022.

a. Matters arising:

- i. Grazing land at Troutbeck (pre action letter has been sent). Clerk to follow up
- ii. Election costs will be paid by new authority
- iii. Bank update – HSBC now want a different mandate, Building Society complete.

22. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

J Derbyshire member of LDNPA

23. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (20 MINUTES ALLOWED) - emails regarding Wreay Farmhouse and Dockray Village Green were received ahead of the meeting and circulated to councillors. 4 members of the public attended who were mainly opposed to planning application 7/2022/3155 and two representatives from the architects. Councillors heard arguments against the development including that the extension was in fact a new build which was not for local occupancy. There was a concern that the parking proposals provided did not provide adequate spaces and that the proposal did not meet some of the local planning policy requirements. The owner's representatives answered some of the concerns regarding planning policies, that the property would be used as a second home rather than as holiday lets, the extension was part of the house and not designed to be a separate dwelling. One member of the public spoke in support of allowing Dockray Village to be unmown again this summer with paths for access cut regularly another member of the public was also in attendance for this item.

24. **DISTRICT COUNCILLOR AND COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORTS** – received the following items for information: J Derbyshire (Westmorland and Furness shadow) work being carried out on budgets currently. There are precedents to have wildlife areas and

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places where grass is not cut. Cost of living – not many people from rural areas asking for help, councillors encouraged to speak to local people to publicise that help is available.

25. POLICE MATTERS – nothing to report

26. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

a. resolved to submit the observations on the following application as detailed

7/2022/3155	Wreay Farmhouse, Watermillock, Penrith, CA11 0LT	Refurbishment and extension of existing property with new detached garage
The Parish Council has no objections but would like to recommend that the application be considered by the full planning committee.		

b. noted the following applications that were delegated to the relevant planning committee for decision and the comments below made online.

7/2022/3146	The Hill, Matterdale, Penrith, CA11 0LE	Single storey extension to kitchen with pitched roof up to existing eaves/gutter line. Built in traditional style and materials	No objections
7/2022/3152	Highgate Close, Troutbeck, Penrith, CA11 0SU	Refurbishment of existing barn and pig sty to form a new dwelling, including change of use from agricultural to residential	No objections

c. noted the following applications were granted approval

7/2022/3127	High House, Thackthwaite, Cumbria, CA11 0ND	Two storey and single storey extension to rear
7/2021/3209	West Lodge, Watermillock, Penrith, CA11 0JS	Alterations and renovations
7/2022/3133	Tast Barn, Lowthwaite, Matterdale, Penruddock, CA11 0SA	Application for a Lawful Development Certificate for the proposed conversion of existing stone barn into a single dwelling and construction of a new stand-alone garage with linking structure, together with boundary dry stone walls and landscaping works and associated land which together form the application site
7/2022/3139	Lake Brow, Watermillock, CA11 0JP	Proposed alterations and extension
7/2022/3126	Gill Head Farm, Troutbeck, Penrith, CA11 0ST	Extensions & alterations

d. noted that the following applications had been sent for information only

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7/2022/3157	Pencil Mill, Watermillock, Penrith, CA11 0JR	Approval of details reserved by condition no 4 (programme of archaeological work) on planning permission ref 7/2021/3182 for the proposed extension of the north and south gables, a proposed garden room, porch, and loggia. Extension to the existing outbuilding to allow for ground source heat pump plant
7/2022/3162	West Lodge, Watermillock, Penrith, CA11 0JS	Approval of details reserved by condition no 3 (Construction Environmental Method Statement) on planning approval ref 7/2021/3209 for alterations and renovations

27. FINANCE

a. Payments- authorised schedule of payments totalling £459.22 (VN 36-42)

VN	Inv. Date	PAYEE	CHQ. NO/ Ref no	Purpose of Expenditure	AMOUNT £	VAT INCLUDED £	NET AMOUNT £
VN36	02/12/2022	HSBC	0	Account charges	6.20	-	6.20
VN37	28/11/2022	Gordon Consultancy Ltd	101213	Payroll reports for 8 months	80.00	16.00	96.00
VN38	23/11/2022	CALC	101214	New Chair Course	30.00	-	30.00
VN39	31/01/2023	N Phillips	101215	Salary January	150.00	-	150.00
VN40	28/02/2023	N Phillips	101216	Salary February	150.00	-	150.00
VN41	01/01/2023	Cumbria Payroll Services Ltd	101217	Payroll	12.00	2.40	14.40
VN42	22/11/2022	WaterPlus	101218	Water fee for field	12.62	-	12.62

b. Monthly budget update- received and noted

c. Current Bank Balances. Building Society £66767.86, HSBC £5857.05

28. **HIGHWAY MATTERS:** received, for information, items relating to the highway and **Resolved to** ask the Chair to re-report the pothole by the Royal Hotel, a new pothole near Goose Green. Councillors were encouraged to report any problems online and check grit piles.
29. Budget and Precept 2023-24 resolved to set a precept of £5000 for the financial year 2023-24.
30. Grazing lets – resolved that the council land would be offered to let as follows: Rushmire advertise for let in excess of £50, Troutbeck advertise for let in excess of £700, Recreation ground continue to let to S Wilson for the coming year at £50 per year. Written agreements to be signed with payment plans before commencement of any grazing.
31. Grass cutting – resolved that a question should be placed in Ullswater Together asking for comments being made to the clerk.

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32. Councillors' reports and items for future agenda

Ullswater Valley Hopper Bus (proposal to be discussed at next meeting)

Road closure on A592 for 26 March for event (information)

Fencing of Dockray Village Green(to be discussed at next meeting)

33. Date of next meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Monday 6 March 2023 in Matterdale Church Room at 7pm.

Agenda items to be submitted to the Clerk by 12 noon on Thursday 23 February 2023.