

Torver Parish Council

Minutes and Actions of Torver Parish Council

Meeting held in the Schoolroom, Torver,

On Thursday 6th March 2025 at 7.30pm

Present:

Chair: Cllr P Worth

Deputy Chair: Cllr C Bradley

Councillors: M Feather, V Kay, T Stergiakis

Clerk: C Sargeant

Members of the public: C Barr

Minute Number		Action By
028/25	Co-option: The Chair welcomed everyone and introduced Thomas Stergiakis who was seeking co-option to the council. It was agreed unanimously to have TS as a councillor and he duly signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office, which was witnessed by the Chair and the Clerk. The clerk to notify W&F and CALC of this.	CS
029/25	Public participation: 1. Westmorland and Furness Cllr S Pender: Councillors had received an email from SP had forwarded information about local road closures (none in Torver). 2. CBa wished to discuss the decommissioning of the BT phone box.	
030/25	Apologies: No apologies - all councillors present.	
031/25	Minutes of the Meeting on 30th January 2025: Resolved: The Minutes of the Meeting held on 30 th January 2025 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chair P Worth and D. Chair C Bradley.	
032/25	Requests for Dispensation: None declared.	
033/25	Declaration of interests in respect of Agenda items: None declared.	
034/25	Planning:	

	1.Application 7/2024/5732 The Priestley Centre – No decision from LDNPA yet. 2.Application 7/2024/5702 at Wilson Arms – permission has been granted by the LDNPA.	
035/25	Financial matters - Agreed unanimously to authorise a donation of £50 to the Coniston & Crake Valley News.	
036/25	Banking arrangements – it was agreed to continue with Barclays.	
037/25	Councillor vacancy – filled by co-option of TS (see Minute 028/25).	
038/25	Village Green - CBr has registration organised but needs evidence and support from the community to complete it. VK has video to share. VS to explore photographic record.	VK TS
039/25	Emergency Strategy – nothing to add at this time.	
040/25	Coniston Medical Practice – PW, CBr, VK, and CS had attended the consultation sessions arranged in the Coniston Institute Reading Room (4 and 6 March). VK had been active in the encouraging people to sign the petition that the Patient Participation Group had placed in the Wilson Arms. The clerk, through Nobbut, to urge Torverians to be involved particularly with the online survey. The Chair to write to the ICB, and Tim Farron MP.	PW CS
041/25	Torver Plan – CBa to send template to PW. <u>Highways and paths</u> : TPC had been made aware of fallen tree blocking Scar Lane. CBa said she would check if it had been cleared; adding, the Haltons might have been onto the owners or the NPA. The clerk to pursue if blockage remains.	
042/25	Website – It was agreed to continue with the established TPC website, and CBr to explore changing the email address for the clerk and creating TPC addresses for councillors.	CBr
043/25	Noticeboard – It was agreed to visit the village green after the meeting to determine the siting of a free-standing noticeboard. (Post-meeting it was agreed to seek support and permission to locate the noticeboard on the strip of grass to the left of the road as it leaves the	VK CS

	A593. VK to speak with David Johnston. The clerk to contact Highways. The clerk to ascertain with Haverigg the cost of a three-windowed, one-sided noticeboard, with lock on panel for TPC notices and free access for community information, no higher than 6ft from the ground.)	
044/25	VE Day – the clerk, through Nobbut, to seek community support for activities on 8 th May (not a bank holiday), with the Chair co-ordinating a programme.	PW CS
045/25	BT Phone Box – Cba was keen to adopt rather than lose the box, for alternative uses. Councillors agreed that the clerk should contact BT to pursue this.	CS
046/25	Correspondence – circulated to councillors as it arrived and included in discussions above. Christine Adams had forwarded letter from the ICO about data protection renewal fee: the clerk to resolve.	CS
047/25	Councillor Matters: - MF expressed concern that the drains on the A593, between Crook Corner and the Schoolroom, were not coping with rainfall and leaving substantial amounts of surface water. CBa was frustrated by Highways indifference. The clerk to contact Highways and the county councillor. - VK was concerned about the damage to grass verges caused by vehicle parking and asked in the Haverigg community service team might help. MF had been in touch with Haverigg. The clerk to approach the Parochial Church Council.	CS CS
048/25	Date of Next Meeting: The date of the next meeting will be held on Thursday 1st May 2025 at 7.30pm in the Schoolroom.	
049/25	Closure: The Chair closed the meeting at 8.50pm.	

Signed

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