

Cockermouth Town Council

11 December 2019

Dear Councillor,

You are summoned to a meeting of Cockermouth Town Council to be held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Cockermouth **Wednesday 18 December 2019 at 7.00 pm** for the purpose of the under-mentioned business.

Please let me know if you are unable to attend.

All welcome.

Yours sincerely


Sheila Brown

1. **Apologies for absence**
2. **To authorise the Mayor to sign as a correct record the minutes of the last meeting held on 20 November 2019 (pages 1-4)**
3. **To authorise the Mayor to sign as a correct record the minutes of the Special Planning Meeting held on 7 November 2019 (pages 5-6)**
4. **To consider the recommendations made by the Climate Change Task Group (pages 7-11)**
5. **Declaration of Interest** – Members to give notice of any disclosable pecuniary interest, other registrable interest or any other interest and the nature of that interest in relation to any item on the agenda in accordance with the code of conduct.
6. **Mayors Announcements** – The Mayor will announce the events she has attended since the last meeting.
7. **Police Report** – To receive a report from Cumbria Constabulary
8. **Public Participation**
 - a) To answer any questions from members of the public in accordance with the Summary of Public Rights
 - b) To receive a petition from a member of the public in accordance with the Summary of Public Rights
9. **Planning Matters**
 - a) To make recommendations upon planning application HOU/2019/0234, new garage, 8 Woodside Avenue



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A Fairtrade Town

- b) To nominate a councillor to attend the inquiry regarding the Public Footpath 223003, land off Strawberry How Road on 9 June 2020 (**pages 12-13**)

10. Financial Matters

- a) To agree the attached schedule of payments (**pages 14-15**)

11. Correspondence

- a) To consider the contents of the December/January CALC newsletter (**pages 16-20**)

12. Clerks Report – To consider the content of the Clerk's report (**pages 21-22**)

13. Stagecoach – To consider various options for extending the Story Homes bus service to Strawberry Grange to other estates (**pages 23-25**)

14. Footway Lighting – To note proposals regarding the future of footway lighting in Allerdale (**pages 26-27**)

Press and Public Welcome

Minutes of a Meeting of Cockermouth Town Council held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Cockermouth on Wednesday 20 November 2019 at 7.00 pm

Present: Councillor J Laidlow (Mayor)
Councillor S Barnes
Councillor G Bennion
Councillor I Burns
Councillor A Kennon
Councillor D Malloy
Councillor S Nicholson
Councillor A Smith
Councillor C Smith
Councillor A Tyson
Councillor R Watson

Apologies: Councillor A Semple

Also Present: 2 members of the public

97 Minutes

Resolved – That the Mayor be authorised to sign as a correct record the minutes of the last meeting held on 16 October 2019.

98 Minutes

Resolved – That the Mayor be authorised to sign as a correct record the minutes of the last special planning meeting held on 7 November 2019.

99 Declaration of Interest

Councillor A Smith declared a personal interest in all planning applications due to being a member of the Development Panel.

Councillor A Tyson declared a personal interest in all planning applications due to being a member of the Development Panel.

Councillor D Malloy declared a personal interest in item 12, trees due to being an employee of United Utilities.

100 Mayor's Announcements

The Mayor had attended the following functions since the last meeting:-

- Launch of Linking Lives
- Fireworks

- Christmas Card Design Competition Prize Giving, Fairfield School
- Remembrance Service
- Visited The Rainbows to talk about the role of the Mayor
- Heritage Weekend, The Kirkgate
- Switch on Day

101 Police Report

The police report was circulated to members prior to the meeting.

102 Public Participation

There was no public participation

103 Planning Matters

103a Planning Applications

HOU\2019\0213

Extension to existing balcony and erection of a detached garage

Recommended – Approval

103b Tree Preservation Order

Resolved - That the contents of TPO No.13 of 2019, land at Gote Road be noted.

104a Schedule of Payments

Resolved – That the schedule of payments in the sum of £14,344.12 be formally approved for payment.

104b Internal Audit

Agreed – That the interim report from our internal auditor for the period 1st April 2019 – 30 September 2019 be noted.

104c Financial Budget Comparison

Agreed – That the financial budget comparison to 30 September 2019 be noted.

104d Cockermouth Live!

Agreed – That the contents of the 2019 Cockermouth Live Annual Report be

noted.

105 Clerks Report

Resolved – (a) That the content of the report be noted.

(b) That Councillors J Laidlow, A Smith, I Burns & S Barnes be nominated on to the 37th Anniversary Task Group

© That the fireworks be held on Sunday 1 November 2020 and that Town Councillors speak to other organisations about extending the offering in Town.

(d) That Councillor Semple be appointed onto the board of Cockermouth & Papcastle Recreational Trust.

106 Trees

Further to minute number 76 (2019/20), The Director of Cumbria Woodlands outlined the following ideas:-

Isel Road – No scope for tree planting, well wooded.

Memorial Gardens – Finish off circle of trees or plant individual trees

Greyrigg – plant a small number of individual trees

Towers Lane – plant small blocks of woodland or individual trees

Harris Park Extension – plant small blocks of woodland or individual trees

The species (70% native) would be planted sensitively after consultation with nearby residents and in order to make the scheme cash neutral for the Town Council, the application to United Utilities would include maintenance costs for the short to medium term.

Those present discussed the merits of each idea.

Resolved – That detailed schemes be drawn up in respect of the Memorial Gardens, Harris Park Extension and Towers Lane following consultation with nearby residents.

107 Strawberry Grange Bus Service

The Story Homes service to Strawberry Grange was due to start shortly.

Stagecoach had been awarded a contract to deliver a service will run once an hour to/from the development via Rose Lane 7am to 7pm. The timetable was designed to offer connections with the X4/X5 service to Workington.

The bus and driver will have just over half an hour between journeys so there is

potential for this time to be used to serve another part of the town e.g. Slatefell.

Stagecoach require a revenue guarantee to ensure that any extra costs (mainly fuel) will be covered by fares collected.

The Town Clerk and Councillor Alan Smith met a representative from Stagecoach to discuss this matter further.

Stagecoach provided costings and timetables for route C2 (Main Street via Langdale Drive and Helvelyn Close) & route C3 (Main Street via the Hospital). The revenue required each day for C2 and C3 was £33. Town Council would only pay the £33 if no-one travelled.

Councillor Tyson questioned the need for route C3 and enquired if our service could be extended to The Moor now that the Ellenvale service had ceased.

Resolved – That consideration of this issue be deferred and that the Town Clerk enquire about the service being extended to residents on The Moor.

The meeting closed at 20.25 pm

Minutes of a special planning meeting of Cockermouth Town Council held in the Upstairs Council Chamber, Town Hall, Cockermouth on Thursday 5 December 2019 at 7.00pm

Members

J Laidlow

S Barnes
I Burns
D Malloy
R Watson

G Bennion
A Kennon
A Tyson

Apologies: C Smith, A Smith, S Nicholson & A Semple

108 Declaration of Interest

Councillor Laidlow declared a prejudicial interest in planning application FUL/2019/0276 due to living next door.

Councillor A Tyson declared a personal interest in item 4 due to being a member of the Development Panel.

109 Public Participation

There was none.

110 Planning Applications

FUL/2019/0184 (as amended)

Conversion of office into restaurant A3 with ancillary take away use.

Former Stay Lakeland Office, 20 Lorton Street

Recommended – Refusal due to the issues raised by Environmental Health.

Councillor Laidlow left the room. The meeting was chaired by Councillor Kennon.

FUL/2019/0276

Change of use of approved and commenced ground floor flat to storage for adjacent B1 business

Former Kingfisher Public House

Recommended – Approval

111 Applications for Tree Works

Those present considered 5 applications for tree works.

Recommended – a) That the pollarding of a horse chestnut, 41 Kirkgate be approved.

b) That pruning works to a hornbeam, Riverside Car Park be approved.

c) That the re-shaping and crown reduction of an ash, land adjacent to 82, Brigham Road be approved.

d) That the pollarding down to 5-6 metres of a cherry laurel, Mill Cottage, Simonscales Lane be approved.

e) That various tree works, Harris Park be approved.

The meeting closed at 7.11pm

Minutes of the inaugural meeting of the CLIMATE CHANGE TASK GROUP held on Friday 6 December 2019 in the Council Chamber of the Town Hall, Cockermouth at 10.00am

Present: Councillor S Barnes
Councillor A Smith
Councillor I Burns

Apologies: Councillor A Semple

112 Election of Chair

Councillor S Barnes was elected Chair of this Group.

113 Public Participation

There was none

114 Declaration of Interest

The Chair declared a personal interest in bee keeping as the Trustee of a Bee Keeping Charity.

115 Climate Change Emergency

Those present considered the Town Council's initial response to climate change emergency and discussed at length which initiatives it wished to take forward. Tribute was paid to the contribution made by Isabella Bridgman and Claire Rodger, Cockermouth School.

Recommended - a) That the Town Clerk write to local schools requesting donations of old Halloween costumes, Christmas jumpers, other dressing up outfits as they created tonnes of plastic waste. These costumes would be recycled from the library.

b) That the Town Clerk contacts Tivoli regarding ceasing/restricting the use of pesticides on Council land.

c) That the Town Clerk writes to Craig Travel to discuss carbon offset schemes run by local travel agents.

d) That the Town Council contacts the procurement department of Cumbria County Council to enquire if their procurement processes for electricity and gas suppliers include green suppliers

e) That the Town Clerk write to Tivoli and request that our floral displays use only plants that attract bees and other pollinators. Chair to provide a list.

f) That the Town Clerk write to CCC to requests the planting of wild flowers on the verge on approaches to Cockermouth and the banking opposite St Helen's Street

allotments.

g) That the Chair attends a future meeting of the Allotments Association to encourage bee keeping and other pollinator friendly planting in council owned allotments.

h) That the Town Clerk requests that our town centre litter bins are replaced with new bins which have separate compartments for plastic, paper and general rubbish.

i) That the list of possible actions be amended as per the attachment.

The meeting closed at 10.50am

Climate Emergency

List of possible actions for town council

1. ACTIONS WHICH ARE QUICK, CHEAP, RELATIVELY EASY

- Cease providing plastic water bottles at TC events – **IN HAND**
- Express concerns about river pollution to MP / Environment Agency - **ACHIEVED**
- Scheme for shops / businesses to refill water bottles - **ACHIEVED**
- Tree-planting on council-owned land - **IN HAND** Woodland Trust have completed an audit
- Green pages on TC website - **ACHIEVED**
- Work with others (eg Goodness and Grain, Wordsworth House etc) to provide recycling opportunities for Tetrapaks – **IN HAND**
- Work with other businesses to increase recycling facilities (eg Aldi /Lidl for clothing) – **IN HAND**
- Carry out a 'green' survey of businesses asking them to score themselves against a set of criteria (eg recycling, use of plastic packaging etc)
- Where possible councillors to walk or cycle to meetings – **IN HAND**
- Encouraging shops to use paper bags
- Volunteers to provide advice on growing vegetables (like WW2 'Dig for Victory')
- Recycle Halloween outfits, Christmas jumpers, dressing up outfits and re-distribute through library – **IN HAND**

2. ACTIONS WHICH MAY REQUIRE WORKING WITH OTHER AUTHORITIES AND/OR THE PRIVATE SECTOR, AND WHICH MAY REQUIRE FUNDING

- Cease / restrict use of 'pesticides' on council land – IN HAND - Town Clerk to write to Tivoli
- Plant wild-flower meadow areas in Memorial Gardens and/or elsewhere - IN HAND - Rotary to plant wild flower meadow in Memorial Gardens
- Work with Allerdale / business to provide electric vehicle charging points in town – IN HAND
- Work with Cumbria Woodlands to plant trees on council-owned land – IN HAND – Audit undertaken & Cumbria Woodlands to attend our January 2020 meeting
- Support / encourage cycling-friendly businesses
- Support carbon offset schemes run by local travel agents (tie in to tree planting) IN HAND - Town Clerk to write to Craig Travel, tree planting scheme already in existence with Cockermouth Travel.
- Neighbourhood Plan – specs for new builds on insulation, green energy etc.
- Town Council buildings – ensure insulation up to spec and energy from green supplier, (eg Good Energy or Ecotricity) PARTIALLY IN HAND – Town Clerk to write to procurement at CCC to find out if green energy suppliers included in their tender process and if they would be willing to move to 100% green energy
- Floral displays in town centre to use plants which attract bees and other pollinators IN HAND – Town Clerk to write to Tivoli to request that the plants used in our town centre displays attract bees and other pollinators
- Work with local schools to discourage engine-idling in vicinity of schools DELETE engine idling in the vicinity of schools now against the law
- Encourage county council to plant wildflower verges on approaches into town – IN HAND Town Clerk to write to CCC about planting wildflowers on verges on approaches to town and on banking in their ownership opposite Gote Road allotments

- Install drinking fountain in town centre for refilling bottles (ideal for cyclists) **DELETE**
– Lots of businesses offering free refills in town.
- Create a bee-garden – **DELETE** the creation of a single garden. Chair instead to speak at a future meeting of the Allotments Association about bee keeping and pollinator friendly allotments
- Plant rowan trees (or other suitable species) in between the existing Main St trees to provide for the long-term – **DELETE** not felt to be feasible
- Bikes paths / lanes / parking places / electric bike charging points
- Planting vegetables on council land – **amend to planting fruit trees instead of vegetables**
- Acquiring land for allotments – **DELETE** numbers on the allotment waiting list did not support the acquisition of more land.
- Encouraging shops to sell more local produce – **AMEND** to Encouraging shops to sell more seasonal produce
- Returnable town maps – **DELETE** maps produced to encourage visitors to re-use on return visits
- Town centre litter bins with separate compartments for plastic, paper and general rubbish – **IN HAND** Town Clerk to write to Allerdale to request these

3. LONGER-TERM AIM / AMBITION

- The aim of Cockermouth Town Council is for its activities to be carbon-neutral by 2030 at the latest. This will require an audit of the council's current carbon footprint and concerted efforts to reduce it. Some of the measures that will be necessary are included above, e.g. ensuring that town council buildings are fully insulated and that energy is purchased from 'green' suppliers.



The Planning Inspectorate

Agenda (Item 9b)

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Your Ref:

Our Ref: ROW/3230978

29 November 2019

Dear Ms Brown,

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 - Section 257

Order Making Authority: Allerdale Borough Council

Title of Order: (Public Footpath 223003 Land Off Strawberry How Road Cockermouth)
Public Path Stopping Up Order (No. 1) 2019

Further to my previous letter, I can advise you that an inquiry into the above Order will be held at 10.00am on 9th June 2020, at The Oval Centre, Salterbeck Drive, Salterbeck, Workington CA14 5HA. The inquiry is currently scheduled to last 2 day(s). The length of the inquiry will partly depend on the number of witnesses who give evidence. To ensure we have allowed enough inquiry time, please let me know as soon as possible whether you intend to call witnesses, and if so, how many. Please let me know within 7 days if you think more time is needed.

Whilst most inquiries will be completed within the scheduled period, some may be shorter and some need to be extended, depending on the amount of evidence produced or the number of people wishing to be heard. It is therefore very important that if you wish to speak, give evidence or contribute to the inquiry in any way, that you attend on the opening day.

It would be useful for the Inspector if you could confirm whether or not you will be attending the inquiry. You should notify me immediately if your circumstances change or you change your mind nearer the date of the inquiry.

It is open to anyone who has made an objection or representation and anyone else with an interest in the Order to attend the Inquiry. However, if you have asked to be heard, you are expected to attend (or send a representative^[1]). If this does apply to you, please ensure that you are familiar with paragraph 8.4 of our booklet *Definitive Map and Public Path Orders* concerning costs. If you will be unable to attend, please notify me in writing immediately.

If you are responsible for instigating a petition, we trust that you will pass these details to all the signatories.

The **start date** for this Order is as stated on the enclosed notice of order.

The enclosed notice, which will appear on our website, contains information about the Order, where queries about the Order should be directed, when and where documents relating to the Order can be inspected by the public and the **timetable for sending statements of case and proofs of evidence**. Please ensure you read the notice carefully.

All parties must keep to the timetable to ensure that statements of case are with us on time. If you plan to attend and give evidence, you will need to submit a statement of case, along with copies of any documents you wish to submit in evidence and a list of those documents. Late documents will be returned. As I have given details of the timetable, I will not send you reminders.

If you are disabled and concerned about what facilities will be available at the Inquiry, you should write to or contact the Council to confirm that the provisions to meet your specific needs will be available. Additionally, please contact the Council if you would like to know what equipment (over head projector, screen etc.) will be available at the venue for you to use.

We are encouraging local authorities to retain pdf copies of their submission bundle to the Planning Inspectorate. If you would like to receive a copy, please contact Allerdale Borough Council to find out if one is available.

Please ensure our case reference number is quoted in all correspondence.

Definitions:

Statement of case – a written statement containing full particulars of the case which a person proposes to put forward at a hearing or inquiry; it includes copies of any supporting documents which that person intends to refer to or put in evidence, and a list of those documents.

We expect statements of case to be paginated, labelled, indexed and submitted in a clear order. Appendix E of our guidance booklet refers. <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/rights-of-way-guidance-booklet>

Proof of evidence - a document containing the written evidence which a person at a public inquiry will speak about. It should not rehearse all of the available evidence but should focus on the matters in dispute. It should not contain supporting documents.

[1] Please refer to paragraphs 4.11 and 8.4 of our booklet *Definitive Map and Public Path Orders*

Yours sincerely,

Cockermouth Town Council

Expenditure transactions - payments approval list Start of year 01/04/19

Tn no	Cheque	Gross	Vat	Net Invoice date	Details	Cheque Total
2438	112440	£8.40	£1.40	£7.00 01/12/19	WF Cascade - Toilet Cleaner	£8.40
2439	112442	£736.80	£122.80	£614.00 01/12/19	Wallgate Limited - Handwash Units	£736.80
2440	112443	£45.00	£0.00	£45.00 01/12/19	Cumbria Association of Local Councils - Neighbourhood Planning Course	£45.00
2441	112444	£45.00	£7.50	£37.50 01/12/19	Tivoli Services Ltd - Rake and remove bonfire remains	£45.00
2442	112446	£150.00	£0.00	£150.00 01/12/19	Reverb Stage and Sound Services - Production for Remembrance Service	£150.00
2443	112447	£46.87	£7.81	£39.06 01/12/19	J A Lee Window & General Cleaning Contractors Ltd - Library Window Cleaning	£46.87
2444	112448	£1,830.06	£198.78	£1,631.28 01/12/19	Water Plus - Water Bill for Main Street	£1,830.06
2445	112449	£144.00	£0.00	£144.00 01/12/19	For Petes Sake - Joinery Work wood stand	£144.00
2446	112450	£540.76	£25.78	£514.98 01/12/19	Npower Ltd - Electricity Invoice	£540.76
1		£35.96	£1.71	£34.25	toile Electricity for Harris Par	
2		£6.22	£0.30	£5.92	TIC Electricity for Library/TIC	
3		£460.45	£21.93	£438.52	TIC Electricity for Library/TIC	
4		£6.42	£0.31	£6.11	TIC Electricity for Library/TIC	
5		£6.22	£0.30	£5.92	TIC Electricity to Library/TIC	
6		£6.43	£0.31	£6.12	TIC Electricity for Library/TIC	
7		£6.42	£0.31	£6.11	TIC Electricity for Library/TIC	
8		£6.22	£0.30	£5.92	TIC Electricity for Library/TIC	
9		£6.42	£0.31	£6.11	TIC Electricity for Library/TIC	
2447	112451	£230.86	£38.48	£192.38 01/12/19	Thomas Fattorini Ltd - Replace Pin in Mayoress Chain	£230.86
2448	112452	£120.00	£0.00	£120.00 01/12/19	Cockermouth Post - Fireworks advert	£120.00
2449	112453	£77.40	£0.00	£77.40 01/12/19	Cockermouth Paper Shop - Newspapers for Library	£77.40
2450	112454	£180.00	£30.00	£150.00 01/12/19	POD North West Ltd - Head in hole board design	£180.00
2451	112455	£150.00	£0.00	£150.00 09/12/19	Simon Hine Window Cleaning Services - clean bus shelters	£150.00
2452	112456	£49.92	£8.32	£41.60 09/12/19	Lakes Electrical Supplies Ltd - xmas lights	£49.92

Signature

Signature

Date

Cockermouth Town Council

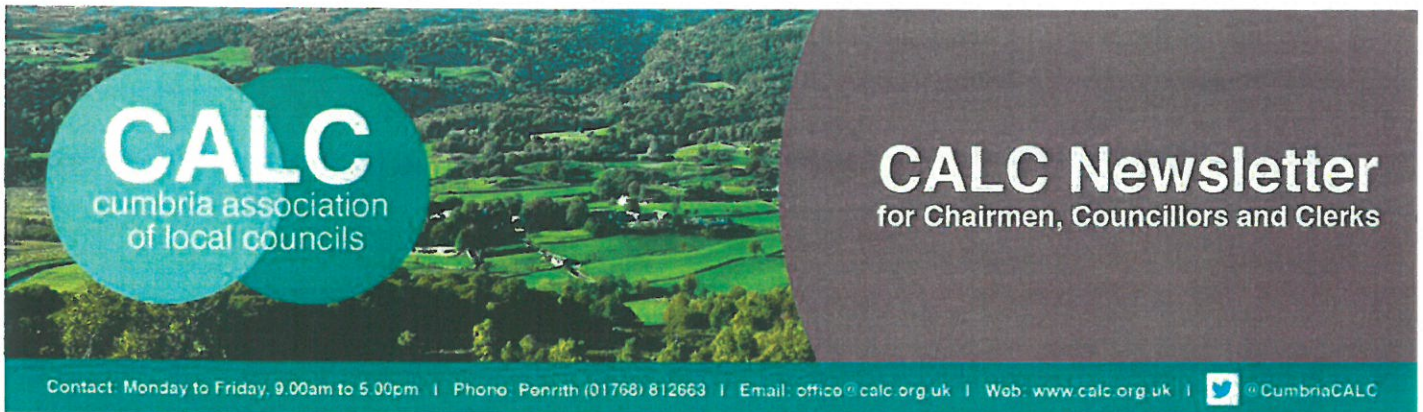
Expenditure transactions - payments approval list Start of year 01/04/19

Tn no	Cheque	Gross	Vat	Net	Invoice date	Details	Cheque Total
2454	112457	£441.00	£73.50	£367.50	10/12/19	JJ Group - works in library - fire alarm, cctv, intruder alarm	£441.00
Total		£4,796.07	£514.37	£4,281.70			

Signature _____

Date _____

Signature _____



December/January 2019/20

With the end of the calendar year looming, and Christmas around the corner, I'd like to thank all our members for your continuing hard work in supporting your communities over the last year. Parish and town councils, and parish meetings, continue to achieve great, positive benefits across Cumbria, despite many challenges. But now you must all make time to wind down, enjoy the festive period and recharge your batteries, so happy Christmas to you from all the staff at CALC!

But before you go, here are some final updates and articles from 2019...

Section 137 sum for 2020 - 2021

The Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) has notified us that the appropriate sum for the purpose of section 137(4)(a) of the Local Government Act 1972 (the 1972 Act) for parish and town councils in England for 2020-21 is **£8.32** per elector.

This is the amount as a result of increasing the amount of £8.12 for 2019-2020 by the percentage increase in the retail index between September 2018 and September 2019, in accordance with Schedule 12B to the 1072 Act.

We welcome this earlier than usual notification from the government about the increase to the level of Section 137 expenditure for local (parish and town) councils. Section 137 is important as it enables local councils to spend a limited amount of money for purposes for which they have no other specific statutory power

Wellers Hedleys Winter Update

Wellers Hedleys are a firm of solicitors who specialise in parish council matters. They are based in Surrey but work with parish and town councils all over England and Wales. CALC has a contract with them to supply legal advice on matters where NALC is unable to help. Please contact the CALC office if you have an issue that they may be able to help with.

Please see the attached copy of the Winter Legal News from Wellers Hedleys.

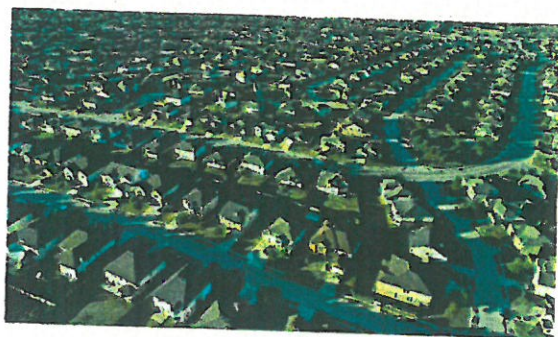
The articles focus upon issues that Wellers Hedleys have dealt with on behalf of local councils over the last few months including:

1. Town and Parish Councils as Charity Trustees
2. Enforcement of Byelaws
3. Adverse Possession

In the past, CALC has arranged for Roger Taylor, the lead solicitor at Wellers Hedleys, to deliver specialist training for our members in the past. There is a list of the type of training the firm offers at the end of their newsletter so if you are interested in any particular course, please let us know and if there are enough people interested, we can arrange for Wellers Hedleys to deliver it in Cumbria.

NALC News

Open letter from NALC chairman urges political party leaders to empower communities



The National Association of Local Councils (NALC) has written an open letter to political party leaders urging their General Election manifestos to help communities to help themselves so local people can build strong communities.

The two-page open letter from Cllr Sue Baxter, calls on the next government to ensure the nation's diverse communities have a voice and say over local services, are able to take back control, and can bring people together and heal division.

Cllr Sue Baxter, chairman of NALC, said: "Bringing the country together is currently one of the most significant challenges we face, and never has it been so important that more people are engaged and active in our local communities. Now is the time for the political parties to reinvigorate their approach to localism and devolution with a clear commitment to empower communities, build capacity and support, and provide flexible and diverse funding. As the most local level of democracy and community action, councils can, and already are, using their unique place-based role to tackle some of the most pressing challenges facing our country, principal authorities and our communities."

For further information, please visit the NALC website.

NALC New Health and Well-being Web Page

The National Association of Local Councils (NALC) has launched a new webpage on health and wellbeing to support one of its key policy campaigns for 2020.

The new webpage provides information and resources on a range of health issues for local (parish and town) councils to use to help deliver health services in their community.

NALC has also published case studies that cover various themes. The case studies highlighted in the publication demonstrate the excellent work local councils and county association are undertaking.

Find out more about it here:

<https://www.nalc.gov.uk/our-work/health-and-wellbeing>

Below is a link to an article about the role parish and town councils have played in the first unitary council in Wiltshire from the outgoing leader.

<https://www.nalc.gov.uk/nalc-blog/entry/1333-cllr-baroness-scott-of-bybrook-obe,-reflects-on-being-leader-of-the-country%E2%80%99s-first-unitary-council-and-her-vision-for-local-councils-within-it>

The next meeting of the CALC Executive Committee will be on Saturday 18th January 2020 at 10.00am at Penrith Community Fire Station.

Details of district association meetings will be available in the new year.

Carlisle PCA: Health and Wellbeing Parish Conference, February 2020. Details to follow.

Parish Vacancy

Nether Denton Parish Council seeks a confident person with an interest in the local community for the post of Clerk to the Parish Council from 14 January 2020.

The Clerk is responsible for managing the Council's day to day business, providing advice, and implementing decisions. Applicants will need to be computer literate, able to prepare council agendas and record minutes, be familiar with bookkeeping and financial procedures and be able to correspond with external organisations on behalf of the Council.

Working hours are 15 per month and the salary is in accordance with the nationally agreed scale LC1 new scp 14. With the exception of meetings attendance, the post holder will be expected to work from home. The Council meets in the evening on the second Tuesday of every other month, with other meetings being called as required.

The Council is also the Sole Managing Trustee for their Village Hall and knowledge of charitable procedures and law is therefore desirable. For further details or to apply please e-mail your CV and a covering letter outlining your suitability for the post for the attention of the Chairman at netherdentonpc@gmail.com by the 15th December 2019. For more information, ring the current Clerk on 01228 231124.

Council-owned electric vehicle charging network launched (Source: Public Sector Executive)

A new electric vehicle (EV) charging network launched last week (Nov 20) in South West England, coinciding with the area's first EV charging hub

The council-owned charging network, Revive, will serve EV drivers in Bristol, Bath and North East Somerset, South Gloucestershire and North Somerset.

A new charging hub, located in Eastville Park, will be home to between four and eight rapid-charge connection points, each with the capacity to charge an EV up to 80% after only 30 minutes.

Three more charging hubs are planned for this region, as well as a new toilet block for users, bird and bat boxes and several new trees.

The next year will see the four local authorities install 120 new or replacement charge point connections throughout the South West region, most of which will be supplied with 100% renewable energy provided by Bristol Energy, the council's own energy supply company.

The Revive Network was developed after a research project in 2017. The Office for Low Emission Vehicles (OLEV) awarded the four authorities £7.1m as part of the Go Ultra Low West (GULW) programme, allowing Revive to be set up.

GULW aims to promote the uptake of electric vehicles, including plug-in hybrids as local authorities strive towards their climate change goals.

Councillor Dudd, cabinet member for Transport at Bristol City Council, said:

"Revive will provide us with a critical service for residents and visitors - reliable EV charging.

"The improvements will make it easier for more people to use electric vehicles, by providing more charge points across the West of England and a simplified payment system.

"Revive contributes to our [One City](#) vision of improving sustainable transport options for Bristol, alongside electric car clubs, electric freight deliveries, more electric vans in council fleets and electric taxis. Electric vehicles also help us improve air quality in Bristol, as they do not produce tailpipe emissions when running.

“Enabling more people to switch to clean electric vehicles is one of our key strategies for addressing the climate emergency and delivering a carbon neutral Bristol by 2030.”

Free Trees for Communities

The Woodland Trust wants to make sure everybody in the UK has the chance to plant a tree. So they're giving away hundreds of thousands of trees to schools and communities.

Please go to their website below for more information:

<https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/plant-trees/schools-and-communities>

Developing Your Skills

Planning Training sessions:

- **13th December** at Penrith Fire & Rescue HQ, Penrith 2pm to 4.30pm
- **13th January** Carlisle – venue and start time still to be confirmed but it will be an afternoon session

Please also find below the training we will be delivering between now and the end of December. More details are available such as timings and the cost in the Developing your skills programme on the website and attached for information.

Effective Councillor (Module 2)	Methodist Church, Penrith	11-Dec-19
Managing Trees	Fire & Rescue HQ, Penrith	12-Dec-19

We will be publishing the new training programme for January to June 2020 shortly.

ends

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING – December 2019
CLERK'S REPORT

Tourism and Publicity

Visitor numbers for November 2019 – 326

Library

CCC staff will be going into all retirement homes in Cockermouth before Christmas to promote the services we offer in Cockermouth Library.

I have made a grant application to CCC to their 0-18 fund for picnic benches and dressing up furniture for the library for £700.

Twining

The first meeting of the 37th anniversary sub committee will be held in January 2020.

War Memorial Trust

I am still chasing payment.

Mayor's Coffee Morning

This will now be held on Saturday 14 December at 10 am. Raffle prizes are required. Please try and support the Mayor on the day.

Grand Window

Judging took place on 4 December 2019. The winners will be announced at the meeting.

Window Spotting

The winners will be invited to the coffee morning to receive their prizes. Their names will be announced at the meeting.

CCTV

Our grant application for one camera for £3k on Main Street has been approved.

VE/VJ 75

An application for funding for this event was made to the National Lottery on 3 December 2019. I am hoping to receive £575.

Meeting Dates

I would like you to consider the following meeting dates:-

Wednesday 17 June 2020

Wednesday 15 July 2020
Wednesday 19 August 2020
Thursday 17 September 2020 (clashes with Allerdale)
Wednesday 21 October 2020
Wednesday 18 November 2020
Wednesday 16 December 2020 (a week earlier)

S Brown, Town Clerk

Clerk - Cockermouth TC

From: Michael Sanderson <Michael.Sanderson@stagecoachbus.com>
Sent: 10 December 2019 15:02
To: Clerk - Cockermouth TC; Hodgkiss, Mark
Subject: Re: Extending the Story Homes Bus Service
Attachments: C1.xls; 191202095737_0001.pdf

Hi Shelia,

In light of your comments we have come up with a new C3 service which goes to the other side of the town rather than the hospital. The quote would remain the same.

As Mark said we would invoice at the end of each of our periods, these are 4 weeks long. Within the period we would let you credit excess revenue on one day against a shortfall on another but this would only be for those 24 days. So a credit in one period could not be offset against a debit in another.

Story Homes have told me that they have now had authorisation from Allerdale for their service so this should start early in the new year.

Regards

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Our Ref:
Your Ref:

This matter is being dealt with by:

David Bryden – Property Services Manager

Direct Line: 01900 702753



29th November 2019

Clerk to Cockermouth Town Council
Town Hall
Market Street
Cockermouth
CA13 9NP

Dear Town/Parish Clerk,

Footway lighting in Allerdale.

Proposals regarding the future of footway lighting in Allerdale.

Further to the letter you received in December 2018, I can now advise that we are considering a new proposal in respect of footway lighting throughout the borough.

The new proposals are as follows:

- Town and Parish Councils will be asked to pick up the energy costs of lights within their Parish from April 2021.
- Town and Parish Councils will be informed of the approximate costs for energy usage within their Parish by the end of February 2020.
- The costs will be based on an updated inventory of individual lights which was recently submitted to Energy North West.
- Town and Parish Councils will have the opportunity to ask for lights no longer required to be removed or switched off.
- As and when fittings or bulbs need replaced, they will be replaced with I.e.d lamps, which going forward will further reduce energy costs.
- The Borough Council will continue to pick up the maintenance costs for the foreseeable future.



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We believe this proposal is an improvement on the original plan and we will work with Town and Parish Councils to implement the proposal as smoothly as possible.

Should you have any queries regarding the proposal, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely,

David Bryden
Property Services Manager



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