

Notes on the Safer Stronger Communities Meeting held Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2010  
6.45pm in the Town Hall, Station Road, Dalton in Furness

Sergeant Stuart Flett, PCSO John McVea and PCSO Louise Perry attended the meeting to address any concerns raised by members of the public attending.

There were 20 members of the public present to raise concerns over speeding vehicles at Crooklands Brow close to Our Ladys School. It was strongly felt that the speeding vehicles were a real danger for the children attending the school and that there was a desperate need for a reduction in the speed of vehicles approaching the area of the school, the main issue was speeding but there were also some problems associated with vehicles inappropriately parked.

Sergeant Flett thanked all those present for attending and reported that their comments had been noted. Sergeant Flett suggested that it was possible that the way forward would be to attempt to get the 30mph speed limit extended so that vehicles approaching from the Ulverston direction had more notice of the change in limit and therefore more time to reduce their speed. It was far more difficult to get a 20mph extended or introduced. Sergeant Flett reported that the current priority for Dalton North was children playing football near the fire station however, if all those attending agreed the priority could be changed to address issues at Crooklands Brow. After a vote all attending were in favour of changing the priority to Crooklands Brow.

A member of the public attending reported that he had had discussion with the nearby rugby club some time ago who were happy to allow the school to use their car park for children to be dropped off and collected from school to reduce the danger. If a footpath between the two properties could be installed the danger would be reduced whilst the process of the speed limit extension was in progress. The member of the public was assured that the Council would follow the details up and pursue the matter if appropriate.

Sergeant Flett reported that the main priority in Dalton South was Ant-Social behaviour on and around Thornton Park and that remained unchanged as all present agreed that that priority should be kept.

Sergeant Flett reported that the crime figures at the current time compared to the previous year were down overall by 38%.

Dalton with Newton Town Council  
Minutes of the meeting held Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2010  
In the Town Hall, Station Road, Dalton in Furness at 7pm

**Present** Councillors E Young, M McLeavy, W Bleasdale, J Millar, A Bowe, A Thurlow, D Martin and W Maddox.

Council Meeting Commenced 7.07pm

1. **Apologies** Cllr B Doughty
2. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting** After amendment It was **resolved** that the minutes of the previous meeting be signed as a true record.
3. **Declarations of Interest**  
Cllr Bleasdale declared an interest in all matters relating to Barrow Borough Council and Cumbria County Council as a member of both authorities. Cllr Millar declared an interest in all Barrow Borough Council matters as a member of Barrow Borough Council
4. **POLICE** Police matters had been dealt with in the SSC meeting held prior to the Council meeting however Councillors asked for it to be minuted that they felt the SSC meeting very worthwhile and appreciated the professional approach of the local policing team.
5. **Reports from District/County Councillors**  
Councillor Millar reported that work on improvements at the cenotaph are due to commence shortly. Councillor Bleasdale reported that he and Councillor Jill Heath had been elected to represent the County Council on the newly formed Rural Joint Committee.
6. **Matters Arising**
  - (a) Adopt a Kiosk – British Telecom The Town Clerk reported that the process of adopting the kiosk was almost complete. Once notification had been received from British Telecom painting of the kiosk could be considered.
  - (b) Barrow Borough Council – Minutes of the Parish Liaison Meeting – Councillors noted the information
  - (c) Barrow Borough Council – P Huck update on Parish Liaison Councillors noted the information
  - (d) Charter Princess Councillor Maddox reported that she would like to see the age group for the charter princesses amended from the current 10-11 year age group to 10 – 14 years of age. Following discussion it was **resolved** that the situation be reviewed next year.
  - (e) Town Council sponsored Bibs – The Town Clerk reported that 50 town council sponsored bibs had now been ordered, this was a slight increase in the numbers of 25 originally proposed. The costings had therefore altered to £250.00
  - (f) Traders Association – Letter from the Chairman of the Traders Association asking Councillors to consider sponsorship of the 2010 Medieval market. It

was agreed that audited accounts be requested before a decision was made.

**5. Correspondence**

- (a) FLAG – Newsletter
- (b) Dalton Community Association – Appeal for funding. This item was deferred as Cllr Doughty was absent from the meeting.
- (c) Mr M Kewell – Dalton Railway Station
- (d) CALC – Circular
- (e) NFU 2009 Annual Review (available in Town Hall)
- (f) National Market Traders Federation – Market Times (available in Town Hall)
- (g) Christmas Tree Festival – Tree Theme Councillors were asked to submit their ideas for the Town Council tree at the next meeting.
- (h) Barrow Citizens Advice Bureau – Satellite Surgeries. The Town Clerk reported that the CAB had sourced additional funding and had offered to recommence the surgeries which had to be ceased in 2009. Councillors accepted the offer and it was **resolved** that a grant of £250 be approved towards the service.
- (i) RHS – Growing Communities
- (j) Dalton Junior Football Club – Appeal for funding It was agreed that the Junior Football Club be asked to provide income and expenditure accounts before a decision could be made.
- (k) Crooklands Casuals – Appeal for funding it was agreed that the club be asked to provide income and expenditure accounts before a decision could be made.
- (l) Cumbria Constabulary – Letter asking the Council to consider sponsoring the youth events during the summer months. The cost of the two coaching sessions would be 2100.00. Following discussion it was **resolved** that the request be approved.

**8. Funding and Partnership with BAE Systems**

No further feedback on projects was available at the current time.

9. **Cumbria in Bloom** Cllr Young informed Councillors that she had attended an event organised by Cumbria in Bloom and been presented with a Hazel bush for the Town. This is to be planted in the sensory garden. The entry fee of £30 into the Cumbria in Bloom 2010 competition was agreed. Cllr Young is to check if Dowdales School are still willing to plant the garden area in the railway station.

10. **Footpath Group** Cllr Thurlow reported that she had attended a workshop on the Parish Paths Initiative which dealt with the Public Rights of Way in the area maintained by Cumbria County Council. Following discussion it was agreed that a footpath group would be beneficial to the Dalton area, Cllr Thurlow is to put some details together and pass to the Town Clerk for sending to the Evening Mail asking for volunteers.

**11. Celebrating 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of VE Day**

Cllr Thurlow suggested that as part of the 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of VE Day each of the 5 schools in the area be offered £50 towards a street party or alternative celebration. Following discussion it was **resolved** that each school be offered £50.

12. **Highways Issues**. Each Councillor was provided with a list of highways complaints logged through the office in the previous month and the status of the progress.

It was reported that there were now several complaints being made about the Crooklands entrance into the Town, the nearby scrapyards were displaying cars for sale on the grass verges and roadside and on busy days the Garden Centre customers were also parking on the verges and road. Not only does this pose a risk for road users and pedestrians it also gives a poor impression of the town to visitors. This situation had been ongoing for several years with no success. It was **resolved** that a letter be sent to Phil Huck at the Borough Council, Kevin McGeogh at the County Council and Ray Guselli asking for action to be taken. Cemetery Hill is now in an extremely poor state of repair with the existing potholes expanding. This was very dangerous to motorists but more particularly to cyclists and motorcyclists.

Parking Bay on Market Street – It was reported that there was a problem with the parking bay adjacent to an off license on Market Street, as the individual spaces weren't marked cars were parking on an angle and reversing out into the traffic flow. Cllr Bleasdale reported that he was already dealing with this matter but advised that it should be put in writing.

13. **Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership** Cllr O'Connor previously represented the Council on the CDRP, however since Cllr O'Connor had left the council there had been no membership from the Town Council. Following discussion it was **resolved** that Cllr McLeavy be the Town Council representative to the CDRP.

14. **Public Relations** It was agreed that the Surgery to be held on Sat 24<sup>th</sup> April be advertised, the Photography Competition and the appointment of the new Charter Princess.

15. **Finance**

- (a) Viking Direct - £136.72
- (b) CALC Annual Subscription £544.50
- (c) Ward Contracting - £56.05
- (d) Dowdales School - £50.00
- (e) United Utilities – half yearly water bill £120.20
- (f) Integral - £31.73
- (g) Sportsfront (Bibs) £242.00

It was **resolved** that the above accounts be paid.

16. **Reports** Cllr Young gave the Mayors Report.

Meeting Closed 8.38pm

**Planning**

Meeting Opened 8.40pm

- B28/2010/0389      Tytup Farm, Tytup, Dalton in Furness  
Submission of details as required by condition No 9 of planning  
permission 2007/0400 (measures to prevent discharge of  
surface water onto highway)  
Applicant Mr J Rawlinson  
The Town Council have No Objections
- B21/2010/0421      29 Romney Park, Dalton in Furness  
Erection of a two storey rear extension forming ground floor  
lounge with two extended bedrooms over.  
Applicant Mr P Rose  
The Town Council have No Objections

Meeting Closed 8.00pm

Signed.....  
(Chairman)

Date.....

H F Thomson  
Town Clerk

5 May 2010

Minutes of the subsidiary meeting held Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2010 in the  
Town Hall, Station Road, Dalton in Furness at 7pm

**Present** Councillors E Young, M McLeavy, J Millar, A Thurlow, A Bowe and D Martin

1. **Apologies** Councillors W Bleasdale, B Doughty, W Maddox and C Walmsley

5. **Declarations of Interest**

Cllr Millar declared an interest in all planning applications as a substitute member of the Borough Council planning committee and a conflict of interest therefore arose.

Cllr McLeavy declared an interest in item 3 – Dalton Community Association.

3. **Dalton Community Association** – This matter was deferred as Cllr Doughty was absent from the meeting

4. Dalton Traders Association – Audited Accounts had now been submitted to support the application for a grant towards the Medieval Market. Following discussion it was **Resolved** grant of £2,000 towards the event be approved

5. **Planning**

B18/2010/0529      Chequers, Abbey Road, Dalton in Furness  
Conversion of first floor restaurant into four en-suite bedrooms involving new flat roof in place of existing valley gutter and erection of a front extension forming lounge/dining facility  
Applicant Mrs Benn  
The Town Council have No Objections

B13/2010/0532      Cobblers Cottage, Nelson Street, Dalton in Furness  
Sub-division of dwelling to form additional dwelling  
Applicant Mr L Hine  
The Town Council have no objections in principle but have concerns about the lack of provision for off road parking and the possible increased traffic.

B20/2010/0521      Car Park to rear of Cumbrian Co-Operative Society, Market Street, Dalton  
Retrospective application for change of use of part car park to a serviced car wash including siting steel, container, erection of a timber screen, covered valet area and block built generator house.  
Applicant Mr Stephen Harvey  
The Town Council have No Objections

B18/2010/0524

Braiwood Stables, Newton Cross Road, Newton  
Erection of hay store.  
The Town Council have no objections in principle  
however given the open nature of the landscape and  
existing development, the Council would strongly suggest  
a site visit by the planning committee

Meeting Closed 7.31pm

Signed.....  
(Chairman)

Date .....

H F Thomson  
Town Clerk

5 May 2010

Minutes of the Charter Committee Meeting held Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April in the Town Hall,  
Station Road, Dalton in Furness

Apologies Councillors W Bleasdale, B Doughty, W Maddox and  
C Walmsley

Present Councillors E Young, M McLeavy, J Millar, A Thurlow, A Bowe and  
D Martin

1. Charter

(a) Gift to the Outgoing Charter Princess a gift to be presented to the  
outgoing Charter Princess was approved for purchase at a cost of £17.99.  
The presentation will be made at the Annual Town Meeting.

(b) Tiara – Cllr Young reported that one of the tiaras worn by the  
attendants had been returned damaged and a replacement had been obtained  
at a cost of £5.00 It was **resolved** that the cost be reimbursed to Cllr Young

Ale Taster It was reported that the Council were still seeking an ale taster,  
posters are to be prepared for putting up in each of the pubs within Dalton and  
the evening mail will be asked to publish the vacancy. Closing date for  
applications will be 6 May.

Meeting Closed 7.43pm

Signed .....  
Chairman

Date .....

H F Thomson  
Town Clerk

5 May 2010