

Dalton with Newton Town Council
Minutes of the meeting held Monday 4th April 2011
In the Town Hall, Station Road, Dalton in Furness at 7pm

Present Councillors M McLeavy, A Thurlow, B Doughty, J Millar, E Young, W Maddox and A Bowe.

1. **Apologies** Cllr Bleasdale, Cllr Perie and Cllr Martin
2. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting** It was **resolved** that the minutes of the previous meeting be signed as a true record.
3. **Declarations of Interest**
Councillor Maddox and Doughty declared an interest in all matters relating to the Borough Council, as members of that authority a conflict of interest therefore arose.
Cllr Doughty and Cllr McLeavy declared an interest in any matters relating to Dalton Community Association
Cllr Millar declared an interest in agenda item no 10 – Tenders.
4. **POLICE**
Sgt McIntosh attended the meeting on behalf of Dalton Policing Team. Action on speeding reported at previous meetings was still ongoing as the radars had been away for calibration but were due back soon.
Crime figures were as follows:- 2 burglaries (1 distraction burglary and 1 pub break in), 4 violence, 7 damage, and 10 youth anti-social behaviour.

A member of the public attending the meeting made representation about the continued closure of Hollygate Road. It was reported that this was a highways matter and was in hand.
5. **Reports from District/County Councillors**
Cllr Doughty gave details of the planning process and the pending refusal for the gateway signs. Cllr Doughty would be meeting with Phil Huck from the Borough Council to try and move this matter forward.
Cllr Doughty had received a complaint about the wall bordering the MUGA which had been passed to the Borough Council.
The Allotment Group were now at the completion stage of the rental of the allotment with contract now being signed.
Cllr Young gave a verbal report on the Tidy Town group and their recent litter pick which collected 19 bags of rubbish. It was noted that the raised flower bed at the railway station was in a poor state and a repair was required to the brick work. The TTG would take on the project if funding was available.
Following discussion it was **resolved** that £100 be given to the TTG for the work.
6. **Matters Arising**
(a) Annual Report – The Town Clerk reported that the Annual Report would be distributed with The Advertiser on 12 May.

(b) Town Council Election – The Town Clerk reported that there would be no contested elections for the Town Council and that there would be two vacancies, one on Anty Cross and Newton Ward and one on Dowdales Ward. These vacancies can be filled by co-option and posters had been produced asking for expressions of interest by 12 June.

(c) Town Hall Doors It was reported that Barrow Borough Council had advised that funds required for the frontage of the building could be utilised from the monies remaining in the Dalton Development Partnership account as their contribution towards the MUGA was no longer required.

(d) Photography Competition – Judging had now taken place and photographs were on display in the foyer. Issue of the prizes of £75, £50 and £25 was approved by councillors.

(e) Dog Fouling Campaign – Councillor Doughty gave details of a proposed campaign to reduce the amount of dog fouling within the Town. Councillors agreed that posters would be erected at various locations throughout the Town and **resolved** that temporary highways paint would be purchased at a cost of £34.20 to help highlight individual areas of fouling.

(f) Medieval Market/Historic Market June 2011 – Councillors considered a request from the Traders Association for sponsorship in the form of pop up market stalls rather than funding. Following discussion it was **resolved** that the Town Council purchase pop up market stalls to a maximum of £2,000. Once received the stalls would stay within the ownership of the Town Council and made available on loan to other local organisations on request.

Further sponsorship requests had been made by the Dalton with Ireleth and Askam Festival Association in relation to the Flower festival being held on the same day as the historic market. Following discussion it was **resolved** that the Festival be given sponsorship in kind to the value of £100.

7. **Correspondence**

(a) George Romney School – Letter received from George Romney School requesting help with the provision of equipment for the school ‘Eco-warriors’. Following discussion it was **resolved** that the Council purchase litter pickers to the value of £100.

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

No further information about the proposed new planters was available at the current time but Cllr McLeavy assured Councillors that he would continue to work on this project once he stood down from the Council in May 2011.

9. **Highways Issues** – Councillors were provided with a copy of the highways complaints received into the office. A complaint of potholes at Ruskin Avenue was made to the Town Clerk who would pass this onto Highways.

10. **Tenders 2011**

The Town Clerk reported that two tenders for each of the two contracts had been received. Following discussion it was **resolved** that Red Syke be awarded the tender for the grass cutting contract and Keith Hardman be awarded the tender for the maintenance of the Sensory Garden, wee garden and planters. Cllr Millar did not take any part in the discussion or vote on this item

11. **Christmas 2011**

The Town Clerk reported that she was in discussion with a local radio station looking at the possibility of sponsorship of the event, details would be passed on to councillors when they were available.

In regard to other items related to the Christmas Switch on, councillors **resolved** that balloons and umbrellas be purchased for the event.

12. **Joint Rural Projects Committee Meeting**

There was no report as there had been no meeting of the Committee.

13. **Public Relations**

It was agreed that public relations this month would focus on the search for a Charter Princess and the Annual Report and dog fouling.

14. **Finance**

(a) Viking Direct	£153.17
(b) CALC	£554.50
(c) HSP Milners	£196.00
(d) United Utilities	£124.65
(e) British Gas	611.53
(f) British Gas electric	£67.54
(g) FTS	£56.23
(h) A Reid	£13.00
(i) IJT Ltd	£34.08
(j) Computer Services	£90
(k) C Bugler	£919.20

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

15. **Reports**

Cllr McLeavy provided a written Mayors Report

16. **Planning**

There were no planning applications to consider

Meeting Closed at 8.10pm

Signed.....
Chairman

Date.....

H F Thomson

10 May 2011

Minutes of the Subsidiary meeting held Monday 18th April 2011
In the Town Hall, Station Road, Dalton in Furness, Cumbria at 7pm

Present Councillors M McLeavy, A Thurlow, J Millar, A Bowe, E Young, W Maddox and B Doughty

1. **Apologies** Councillor N Perie and W Bleasdale
2. **Declarations of Interest**
There were no declarations of interest.
3. **Dalton Charter Princess 2011**
The Town Clerk reported that four applications had been received. The charter committee are to meet tomorrow evening to discuss selection and arrange interviews if necessary.
4. **Historic Market and Flower Festival** .The Town Clerk reported that she had sourced pop up market stalls and ordered five stalls at a cost of £2305.98 incl VAT. It was **resolved** that payment to Nicoll Industries be made. Following a request from the Festival Association, it was **resolved** that the flower festival be sponsored £500.
5. **Planning**
B21/2011/0262 21 Kestrel Dr, Dalton in Furness
Creation of a dormer to the west elevation
Applicant Mr J Helm
The Town Council have No Objections

B18/2011/0251 Tudor Square, Dalton in Furness
Replacement of existing public telephone kiosk with kiosk
combining public telephone service and ATM service.
Applicant Mrs M Greenslade
Telephone Exchange
London
The Town Council have no objections

B21/2011/0247 4 Rusland Drive, Dalton in Furness
Erection of a two storey side extension forming a dining
room, utility, wc and lounge with two bedrooms and en-
suite at first floor.
Applicant Mr S Postlethwaite
The Town Council have no objections

Meeting Closed 7.40pm

Signed.....
Chairman

Date.....

H F Thomson
Town Clerk

10 May 2011

