

Notes on the Safer Stronger Communities Meeting held 20th December 2010
6.45pm in the Town Hall, Station Road, Dalton in Furness

Sgt John McIntosh and PCSO John McVea attended the meeting. PCSO McVea reported that there had been a total of 31 crimes in October, Anti Social behaviour 62, burglary 1, and vehicle crime 1. It was reported that Askam Parish Council had recently met and had requested that the Askam/Dalton North priority which was currently Anti-social behaviour at the co-op be changed and replaced with complaints about parking on Duke Street by Sellafield Workers. Those present agreed that the priority be changed. The priority in Dalton South was currently anti-social behaviour in the area of Thornton Park, this is to remain unchanged.

Councillor Millar asked police to monitor parking in Queen Street as he had received complaints about larger vehicles parking on the pavements in the evening, this forced pedestrians to walk in the road and as the lighting was quite poor in that area it posed a risk. Parking of builders wagons on the pavement opposite a new development on Crooklands Brow were also reported. The Police are to monitor the situation and report back.

Sgt McIntosh gave brief details of a complaint which had been received about missing bollards, this matter had been looked at by the police and it was determined that no crime had been committed. Cllr McLeavy read out an e mail from Barrow Borough Councillor Tim Bell regarding the same issue, it was agreed that the Town Clerk would respond to the e mail informing him that the Town Council had no wish to be involved with the matter.

The Town Clerk read out a letter from Councillor Barry Doughty with details of speeding vehicles and signage problems through Dalton and along Abbey Road towards Mill Brow. Cllr Doughty had already met with the Traffic Management Officer however no details of the outcome were available at the moment. The Police were provided with a copy of Councillor Doughtys letter and will report back to Councillors at the next meeting.

Dalton with Newton Town Council
Minutes of the meeting held Monday 1st November 2010
In the Town Hall, Station Road, Dalton in Furness at 7pm

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

Council Meeting Commenced 7.15 pm

1. **Apologies** Cllr B Doughty and Cllr Bleasdale
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**
Councillors E Young, J Millar and M McLeavy all declared an interest in planning application no B13/2010/01524 Land Adjacent to rear of St Kilda, Kestrel Drive

4. **POLICE** Police matters had been dealt with in the SSC meeting held prior to the Council meeting.
5. **Reports from District/County Councillors**
There were no reports
6. **Matters Arising**
 - (a) Entrance Doors – Town Hall building. The Town Clerk reported that there had been a request from the Borough Council planning department for yet another amendment to the plans for the proposed new entrance. The planning application had now been acknowledged by the Borough Council and should be determined by February.
7. **Correspondence**
 - (a) Cumbria Waste Management – Annual Review
 - (b) Mr M Kewell – Dalton Railway Station It was of concern to Councillors that the light on the footpath which also served as the disabled access to the Railway Station was still not working. Following discussion it was agreed that the Town Clerk will follow up the matter with the Borough Council.
 - (c) Barrow Borough Council – Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act Regulations as amended.
 - (d) CCC Winter Gritting Service It was reported that the Council had obtained two separate 7 ton loads of grit for use in the Town and also Chapel Street School. Councillors expressed their dissatisfaction with the standard of winter maintenance carried out by the County Council with at least two main through routes having to be closed by Police following the lack of gritting. Following discussion it was agreed that a letter be sent to the County Council regarding the winter maintenance programme for Dalton. It was reported that complaints were now being received from members of the public as some had not had recycling collected for up to five weeks. It was agreed that a letter expressing concerns at the withdrawal of the cleansing and recycling service due to weather conditions be sent to the Borough Council.
 - (e) Communities & Local Government - plans for Diamond Jubilee
 - (f) CCC Public consultation of Council priorities and budget options
 - (g) Mrs Alice Leach – details on Dr William Close. This item was deferredCouncillors noted all items of correspondence
8. **Funding and Partnership with BAE Systems**
Cllr McLeavy reported that all projects supported by BAE systems had now been stopped with the exception of one. This had an effect on the planters planned for Dalton Town Centre and Cllr McLeavy had appealed against the decision and was awaiting a response.
9. **Highways Issues** – This item was deferred.
10. **Christmas 2010** the Town Clerk reported that the Christmas Switch On seemed to have been well received by all and only one or two minor complaints about children not receiving lanterns as the stock had been used. Councillors Millar, Doughty, Martin and Perie were thanked for their help on the day either handing out lanterns and balloons or collecting money for the

Mayors Charity fund. The two staff members had worked eight hours on a Sunday and Cllr Millar that they be paid for an extra day in lieu.

12. **Public Relations**

It was agreed that a Merry Christmas message would be conveyed from the Town Council.

13. **Finance**

(a)	British Telecom	£145.22
(b)	British Gas	£67.55
(c)	K Hardman	£1930.00
(d)	British Gas	£197.42
(e)	Viking Direct	£128.36
(f)	Tythe Barn Nurseries	£987.00
(g)	A Reid - Window Cleaner	£26.00
(h)	Goadsbarrow Landscapes	£2524.30*
(i)	HSP (Xmas Leaflet)	£414.00
(j)	Party Packs (Lanterns etc)	£591.32
(k)	DLP (erection of Barriers)	£240.00
(l)	HSS Hire – Barriers	£204.45
(m)	HSS Hire – Road Signs	£157.45
(n)	Heather Bank Promotions (Camels)	£1992.50*
(o)	HSP (Tree festival Brochure)	£1651.00*
(p)	Dalesman (Cumbria Advertising)	£188.00*
(q)	Slanting Arrow Ltd (Searchlights)	£1175.00*
(r)	Tythe Barn Nurseries (Church Trees)	£1997.50*
(s)	Town Criers Annual Membership Fee	£35.00
(t)	Bradford City Council (Xmas lights)	£793.13

14. **Planning**

B13/2010/01524 Land Adjacent to rear of St Kilda, Kestrel Drive
Erection of a 4 bedroomed detached house with a detached garage (re-submission of ref.2010/0823 in a revised form)
Applicant R Pickavance

The initial outline planning application for the land adjacent to St Kilda was subject to an appeal to the Secretary of State and subsequently outline planning permission was granted subject to various conditions mainly regarding the tree protection on the land.

Since Jan 2009, when permission was granted, new powers have been introduced by the Government giving Local Authorities the opportunity to prevent overdevelopment of neighbourhoods and 'garden grabbing'. Private residential gardens are now excluded from the definition of previously developed Land in Annex B of the Planning Policy Statement 3 (PPS3).

In the Inspectors Appeal decision document para 6, the inspector refers to the development site as forming part of the curtilage to St Kilda. Given that the design of the proposed dwelling is out of character with the area ie a house on a site predominantly surrounded by bungalows and set within the curtilage of St Kilda the Council would hope that the planning committee would look very closely at the application site before granting further permission for development.

Further conditions which were attached to the outline permission regarding tree preservation and protection of wildlife (birds during nesting season) have been disregarded by the current applicant when preparing the site in preparation for planning application stage causing inconvenience and distress to neighbouring properties which has resulted in a number of complaints to the Borough Council

The inspectors report para 4 further states that a Arboricultural Method Statement (AMS) including the drive construction design, and how they are to be laid without significant damage to the root protection area and details of how services are to be installed if their route crosses the root protection areas must be supplied before development commences. The Town Council have been unable to locate any relevant statements referred to above relating to the protection of tree roots and damage prevention.

An information sheet on Root Protection Areas (Appendix B) was attached to the final appeal decision document, this lays out clearly for the applicant how tree roots can be preserved and damage prevented particularly when wheeled or construction traffic will be on site. Following monitoring of activity on the ongoing clearance works it would appear that none of the recommended steps or measures have been taken to preserve the remaining trees.

In summary, the Town Council would ask the planning committee to refuse permission for development on this site.

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| B21/2010/01628 | 7 Little Fields, Dalton
Erection of a larger, replacement detached garage
Applicant Mark Newsome
The Town Council have No Objections |
| B21/2010/1661 | 74 Langdale Cres, Dalton
Two Storey side extension creating study and utility room with bedroom and bathroom over
The Town Council have no objections |
| B18/2010/1670 | Crossgates Smallholdings, Broughton Road, Dalton in Furness
Erection of boarding kennels including isolation unit and exercise area, and conversion of garage to office/reception
The Town Council have no objections |

Meeting closed at 8.35pm

Signed.....
(Chairman)

Date.....

H F Thomson
Town Clerk

22 December 2010