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6 November 2019

A meeting of Stanwix Rural Parish Council will be held on:

Wednesday 13th November 2019 in the Parish Hall, Crosby-on-Eden at 7.30pm

This is a public meeting and all are welcome to attend

Sarah Kyle
Clerk to the Council

Agenda

1. Apologies for absence

To receive apologies and approve reasons for absence

2. Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 9 October 2019

To authorise the Chairman to sign as a correct record the minutes of the last meeting of the Parish Council held

3. Requests for Dispensations

The Clerk to report any requests received since the previous meeting for dispensations to speak and/or vote on any matter where a member has a disclosable pecuniary interest

4. Declarations of Interest

To receive declarations by members of interests in respect of items on this agenda

5. Public Participation

5.1 In accordance with Standing Order 3e the Chairman will, at his discretion, invite members of the public to address the meeting in relation to the business to be transacted at this meeting

5.2 To receive reports from City and County Councillors

6. Planning matters

6.1 To Ratify Decisions taken on New Applications Prior to the Meeting:

19/0004 HDG Paddock Cottage, Tarraby, Carlisle, CA3 0JS - Removal Of Hedgerow & Lower Leylandii Trees

19/0678 The Granary, Brunstock Mews, Brunstock, Carlisle, CA6 4QG - Replacement Of Front Door And Frame (LBC)

6.2 To Consider New Applications:

19/0805 128 Tribune Drive, Houghton, Carlisle, CA3 0LF - Erection Of First Floor Side Extension To Provide En-Suite Bedroom And Single Storey Rear Extension To Provide Dining Room And Sitting Room

19/0729 29 South Croft, Houghton, Carlisle, CA3 0NA - Erection Of Detached Garage And New Vehicular Access

19/0503 Houghton Hall Garden Centre, Houghton, Carlisle, CA6 4JB - Siting Of Hand Car Wash And Valet Facility Including Canopy And Portable Office Store Building (Revised Application)

6.2 To note Permission Notices Received

19/0682 7,9 & 15 Whiteclosegate, Carlisle, CA3 0JA - Change Of Use Of Agricultural Land To Garden

18/0796 Land adjacent to Shortdale Cottage, Tarraby Lane, Tarraby, Carlisle, CA3 0JT - Residential Development (Outline)

19/0750 Green Acres Caravan Park, High Knells, Houghton, Carlisle, CA6 4JW - Re-Configuration Of Caravan Park Including Associated Infrastructure; Erection Of New Toilet Block And Change Of Use From Agricultural Field To Provide 17no. Additional Caravan Pitches

6.3 To note Refusal Notices Received:

19/0588 25 Whiteclosegate, Carlisle, CA3 0JA - Change Of Use Of Agricultural Land To Garden (Retrospective)

7. Clerk's Report

Clerk to give a report on actions undertaken following the October meeting

8. Administrative Matters

8.1 Working Groups

To consider amendments to the membership of the Council's working groups

8.2 Grass Cutting and Greens Maintenance Contract

To note the advertisement for the above

9. Village Matters

9.1 Flooding

To note a verbal report regarding the proposed scheme at Crosby

9.2 Brunstock Common

To consider progress with the restorative works required for the pond and adjacent land

9.3 Houghton Parking

To consider how to progress complaints received regarding parking in the layby

9.4 Tribune Drive Play Area

To consider making an application to the City Council for an asset transfer for the land and equipment

9.5 Eden Gate

To consider ongoing issues with gas equipment and anti-social behaviour

9.6 Willow Trees, Crosby Parish Hall

To consider the planting of willow trees to alleviate standing water issues

9.7 Speedwatch

To note a verbal update with the scheme

10. Consultations

10.1 Policy Consultation E-Briefing 10-19 – 5G Mobile Coverage in Rural Areas

To ratify the submitted Parish Council response

10.2 St Cuthbert's Garden Village: Consultation on Stage 2 Masterplan Draft Options

To ratify the submitted Parish Council response

11. Finance matters

1.1 To approve payments detailed in the schedule and to authorise the signing of the reconciled balances at bank

11.2 Grants 2019/20 Second Round

To consider the distribution of remaining funds between applications received

12. Schedule of Correspondence, notices and publications

To note items of correspondence received since the last meeting (email copies available upon request from the Clerk, please advise prior to the meeting):

- CALC Annual Report 2019 and AGM Papers
- CPCA AGM 11th September 2019 Draft minutes
- Non-native Invasive Species - Water Primrose

13. Councillor matters

An opportunity for Councillors to raise issues on behalf of residents in their ward. *Note: no decisions can be made on these matters, but the Clerk may make investigations and/or they may be placed on a future agenda of the Council. Future agenda items should be submitted to the Clerk by 2 December 2019*

14. Date of next meeting – to resolve that the next meeting of the Parish Council be held at 7.30pm on Wednesday 11th December 2019 in the Wildlife Trust Centre, Houghton

Members are reminded that, in accordance with the Code of Conduct, they are required to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests or other registrable interests on a 'Notification by Member of Pecuniary and Other Registrable Interests' form. The Code places a duty on all Parish Councillors to ensure that the information given in their Notice of Interest is current and it is a breach of the Code should Parish Councillors fail to give further notice in order to ensure that their Personal Interests form is up to date. Members are therefore politely reminded of the need to complete a new form in respect of any change to their interests, including changes of employment, ownership or renting of property within 28 days of any change taking place.

STANWIX RURAL PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of a Meeting of Stanwix Rural Parish Council held on
Wednesday 9 October 2019 in the Wildlife Trust Centre, Houghton at 7:30 p.m.**

Present: The Chairman Cllr C Nicholson, Cllrs A Coles, M Ellmore, A Lightfoot, D Milburn, H Phillips, C Savory, M Sherriff, S Splinter and N Watson.

In Attendance: City Cllr E Mallinson. County Cllr J Mallinson. Two members of the public.

The sudden death of Barry Colville, the Council's long-standing grounds maintenance contractor, was noted with sadness.

SR 876/10/19 Apologies for absence

City Cllrs F Robson and P Nedved sent apologies. Apologies were also received from one resident regarding item 884.2.

SR 877/10/19 Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 11 September 2019

Resolved to authorise the Chairman to sign, as a true and accurate record, the minutes of the last meeting of the Council.

SR 878/10/19 Requests for Dispensations

No requests for dispensations were received.

SR 879/10/19 Declarations of Interest

The following interests were declared:

- Cllr Lightfoot declared an interest in item 884.2, Houghton Parking and 883.1, Village Hall update, being a member of the Village Hall Management Committee
- Cllr Milburn declared an interest in item 885.2, St Cuthbert's Garden Village consultation, being involved with the link road associated with the project
- Cllr Nicholson declared an interest in item 883.1, Village Hall update, his spouse being Treasurer of the Village Hall Committee
- Cllr Coles declared an interest in item 884.4, being a resident of Eden Gate and a member of its management company

SR 880/10/19 Public Participation

City Cllr E Mallinson requested a meeting with the Council to discuss the Tribune Drive play area. Cllr Phillips to arrange a mutually convenient date following the meeting.

County Cllr J Mallinson apologised for his absence of late and noted the prevalence on flooding issues throughout the area.

Two residents were in attendance to make representations on planning application 19/0750. They outlined the reasons for the proposed expansion of the caravan park and adequately responded to queries raised regarding drainage.

SR 881/10/19 Planning Matters

881.1 New Applications:

19/0750 Green Acres Caravan Park, High Knells, Houghton, Carlisle, CA6 4JW - Re-Configuration of Caravan Park Including Associated Infrastructure; Erection of New Toilet Block and Change of Use from Agricultural Field to Provide 17no. Additional Caravan Pitches
Resolved to recommend that the application be determined in accordance with local and national planning policy and that to note that the Council would advocate that any planting of trees and hedgerow on the site be carried out using appropriate native species.

ACTION

HP

19/0589 12 The Green, Houghton, Carlisle, CA3 0LW - Erection of Detached Domestic Garage

A draft response had been circulated to Cllrs prior to the meeting.

Resolved: To submit the circulated response, objecting to the application on the grounds that the proposal appears to remain entirely reliant upon the utilisation of the Village Green.

19/0004 HDG Paddock Cottage, Tarraby, Carlisle, CA3 0JS - Removal of Hedgerow & Lower Leylandii Trees

This application had been received following the distribution of the agenda. It was noted that anomalies exist within the application regarding the scale of the proposed removal and that the reasons for the works provided appeared inadequate.

Resolved to strongly object to the removal of the hedgerow and seek clarity regarding the confusing detail. A draft of the proposed response will be circulated to Cllrs prior to submission and ratification considered at the November meeting.

CN

881.2 Resolved to Note Permission Notices Received:

19/0554 Laitholm, Park Broom, Carlisle, CA6 4QH - Change of Use of Part of Paddock to Garden and Erection of Summerhouse

SR 882/10/19 Clerk's Report

A report had been circulated alongside the agenda regarding the following:

753.2/12/18 Bus Stop Seating

This remains ongoing.

SK

767.5/1/19 Houghton Village Green Parking Barrier

Discussions continue with Highways regarding the stones placed on the common land in Tarraby. A decision will be made in due course as to whether or not the stones can be left or need removed

SK

SR 826/5/19 Construction Works

The planning officer has confirmed that work appears to have ceased, although the area in Crosby continues to be monitored.

SR 869.2/9/19 Land Registry

Confirmation has been received that the bus shelter in Crosby-on-Eden has now been successfully registered with Land Registry. Work remains ongoing with the Houghton evidence. No further progress can yet be made with regards to either Tarraby or Park Broom.

CN/SK

SR 869.5/9/19 Tribune Drive Play Area

The preliminary report, circulated alongside the September agenda, has been forwarded by Cllr Phillips to Carlisle City Council for their consideration.

SR 870.1/9/19 BT Phone Box Removal

The Clerk has notified Carlisle City Council that no objections are made to the above, following consultation on social media.

SR 872.4/9/19 Grant Scheme 2019/20

The grant scheme has been advertised and any applications received will be considered at the November meeting.

Other Matters to Report:

Rickerby

Complaints have been received regarding excessive weeds around the Rickerby Gardens phone/post box area. These have been reported to Highways. A request was also noted to consider reduction of the speed limit to 20mph in the area.

St John's Bridge Resurfacing

Complaints have been received regarding the quality of the resurfacing on St. John's Bridge.

Houghton in Bloom

The Parish Council note that Houghton in Bloom were awarded a Gold Medal and were Runners Up in the Village Section. They also received an Outstanding Award for the 'It's Your Neighbourhood' category. Work continues on the Love your Garden awards.

SR 883/10/19 Administrative Matters

883.1 Village Hall Reports - Houghton and Crosby-on-Eden

Houghton Village Hall

Cllr Lightfoot reported that the new website was working well. He noted the planned installation of new windows and the change in day for the pizza van visit. It was noted that problems continued to exist regarding parking.

Crosby Parish Hall

The Committee had held their AGM and had requested that consideration be given to the planting of some willow trees to attempt to alleviate the standing water issue being experienced. This will be put on the November agenda for consideration.

883.2 CALC Training

Noted that training will be held in the Wildlife Trust Centre, Houghton on Thursday 14th November from 6.30pm to 8.30pm. All Cllrs are requested to attend.

ALL

SR 884/10/19 Village Matters

884.1 Brunstock Common

It was noted that the planted grass seed has taken hold and that the pond is now at full depth. When measured it is no deeper than 0.4m which is significantly below the water height expected. Quotations for redevelopment are to be considered at the November meeting.

Resolved: To write to the contractors and lodge a complaint regarding the final specification of the pond.

SK

884.2 Houghton Parking

Apologies had been received prior to the meeting from the proprietor of the shop, who had hoped to attend to follow up on concerns raised at the September meeting regarding parking in the layby on the Village Green.

A report had been circulated alongside the agenda detailing the findings of an appointed working group and was **noted**.

Resolved that a letter, along with the report, will be sent to the shop owner outlining the Council's agreement that the layby is intended for short-term use only however no restrictions apply to the layby and therefore none are enforceable.

SK

884.3 Houghton Fair 2020

A meeting had been held on 1st October with representatives from St Johns Church, Houghton Village Hall Management Committee, the School and the PTA. Disappointingly, no individual attendees from households, were present. A further meeting to discuss the future of the Fair will therefore be held on 28 October at 7pm in the School.

884.4 Eden Gate

Cllr Coles noted numerous problems on the Eden Gate, including:

- The mass condemnation of a specific type of installed gas fire, including the incorrect certification by Carlisle City Council
- Ongoing issues with the play area, now fenced off and still requiring drainage works
- The failure to clear the fallow land on the site, now polluted with ragwort
- The failure to install the expected fence around the site, leading to repeated instances of anti-social behaviour from youths in the area; these have been reported to the police
- The lack of compliance with guidance for the SUDS pond on the site

- The poor drainage from the estate and the police site, leading to exacerbated flooding on Houghton Road

Resolved that Cllr Coles send all relevant information to City Cllr E Mallinson for follow-up. County Cllr J Mallinson noted that flooding issues on Houghton Road were being investigated in conjunction with the Wildlife Trust.

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884.5 Flooding

Flooding on Houghton Road had been discussed above, with measures to rectify being investigated by Cumbria Highways in conjunction with the wetland's owners. It was also noted that concerns existed regarding flooding at the new roundabout for Carlisle airport; County Cllr Mallinson noted this was being dealt with as part of the ongoing development there. Finally, with regards to Crosby-on-Eden, it was noted that the Environment Agency should be finalising their preferred option in the near future. It is intended that they will discuss this with the Crosby Flood Group during October and then produce a community newsletter and arrange a community drop in, ideally before Christmas. A full report from the Flood Representative is hoped for at the November meeting.

885/10/19 Consultations

885.1 Policy Consultation E-Briefing 10-19 – 5G Mobile Coverage in Rural Areas

Consideration was given to the above, supporting the NALC position on the relaxation of mobile mast permitted planning rights but urging caution on mast height in areas of conservation etc. A draft response will be circulated to all Cllrs prior to submission.

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885.2 St Cuthbert's Garden Village: Consultation on Stage 2 Masterplan Draft Options

A draft response to the above was still being worked on and will be circulated to all Cllrs prior to submission.

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SR 886/10/19 Financial Matters

886.1 Payments:

Resolved that the following payments be approved:

NEST Pension, October pension	£94.29
Sarah Kyle, October salary and reimbursements	£1,248.67
HMRC, October PAYE and NI	£222.77
Cumbria Payroll, October payroll	£18.00
Tech4Office, printing	£29.11
Wildlife Trust, rental	£20.00
Calbarrie, PAT testing	£78.00
Houghton Village Hall, rental	£10.00
SLCC, Clerk's Manual	£52.30
Linstock WI Hall, grant	£1,200.00
Bluezon, flyers	£39.00
CGM, grounds maintenance	£954.80
TOTAL:	£3,966.94

886.2 Noted: balances at bank as at 30th September 2019:

Community Account	£331.72
Money Manager Account	£72,835.54
Cash Account	£3,919.45
Income to 30/09/19	£57,336.94
Expenditure to 30/09/19	£32,669.28

886.3 Income Received

Resolved to note the following income received: £37.05, HSBC, bank interest.

886.4 Internal Auditor

Resolved that the internal audit plan, including the internal auditor terms of reference, be approved for 2019/20 until further review. Also **resolved** that the Council's internal audit procedures be considered effective and that the appointment of Mr R Gordon as the Council's internal auditor, be approved until further notice.

886.5 Quarterly Monitoring Report

A report detailing income and expenditure for the period 1st April to 30th September 2019 was circulated alongside the agenda and **noted**.

SR 887/10/19 Schedule of Correspondence, Notices and Publications

A schedule of correspondence, notices and publications received since the last meeting was noted.

SR 888/10/19 Councillor Matters

Cllr Phillips requested that the Tribune Drive Play area be placed on the November agenda for discussion.

SR 889/10/19 Date of Next Meeting

Resolved that the next meeting of the Parish Council be held on Wednesday 13th November 2019 in the Parish Hall, Crosby-on-Eden at 7.30pm.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.44pm.



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PARISH COUNCIL REPLY TO CONSULTATION ON HEDGEROW REMOVAL NOTICE

Proposal: Removal Of Hedgerow & Lower Leylandii Trees

Location: Paddock Cottage, Tarraby, Carlisle, CA3 0JS

Appn Ref: 19/0004 HDG

The application site lies adjacent to the Hadrian's Wall Ancient Monument while part also lies within the Tarraby Conservation Area.

Question 5 of the Appn Form requires the applicant to state the reasons for the proposed removal of hedgerow(s). In reply the applicant states:

"I have been at Tarraby Farm since 9/2/1955 and no one has used the lane. The fields beyond were made into sports field for Hadrian's Camp."

This statement entirely fails to provide any valid reason for the removal of any part of the hedgerow(s) referred to in the application.

The duration of the applicant's residence at Tarraby Farm; the use, or otherwise, of the 'lane' (appears to be the track from the private disused transport yard); and the alleged historic use of fields by Hadrian's Camp (which closed in 1969), cannot be acceptable as a valid reasons for the proposed removal.

Q5 also requires details of the reference number of the plan(s) to be submitted with the application showing the stretch(es) of hedgerow(s) to be removed.

The applicant references 2 plans both seeming to have the same number. The numbering does not; however, appear to correspond with any numbering on either of the 2 submitted plans; the first of which proposes the removal, or lowering, of 36m of hedgerow. The second proposes the removal or lowering of 30m of Leylandii trees; although 'Pine' is originally specified the description crossed out.

These proposals total 66 m of hedgerow/trees.

Q5 further requires confirmation of the length of the hedgerow to be removed and if it is less than 30 years old. The answers given propose the removal of 80m of hedgerow exceeding 30 years of age.

The Block Plan notation contains stricken-through alterations and is badly printed rendering such detail unclear.

The Block Plan shows the proposed removal of 80m of hedgerow on the line of Hadrian's Wall World Heritage Site; plus another 30 metres to the southern end of the same hedgerow, lying within the Conservation Area at the east of the old transport yard.

A further 36 m of hedgerow/Leylandii (Pine is crossed out) forming the boundary of the Conservation Area, to the north side of the old transport yard, is also scheduled for removal or lowering; while perhaps 30m of Leylandii (Pine is crossed out), to the western side of the old transport yard, is shown as being lowered.

The Block Plan therefore shows a total approximate length of 176m of hedgerow/trees to be removed or lowered. That is 96m to 110m greater than the total length specified in the Appn Form.

The Location Plan also appears to designate the sections to be removed or lowered, in this case with exception of the section to the west of the old transport yard.

Parish Council therefore objects strongly to the proposal, for the following reasons:

- The hedgerows, or parts thereof, may be protected under Schedule 1 Part 2 of The Hedgerows Regulations 1997
- No valid reason or material evidence is given for seeking the proposed removal or lowering of the hedgerows/trees
- The statements made at Q5 of the Application Form do not accord with the submitted plans
- The application contains contradictory statements with regard to the length of hedgerow/trees proposed for removal or lowering
- The proposal would have a serious adverse impact upon the character and setting of the Conservation Area
- The proposal would have a serious adverse impact upon the character and setting of the World Heritage Site and Ancient Monument
- The Age of the hedgerow adjoining the Ancient Monument is undetermined and may constitute Ancient Hedgerow in existence before the Enclosure Acts
- Removal of the hedgerow adjoining the Ancient Monument may have a detrimental impact upon the fabric of archaeological remains.
- The proposal would have a detrimental impact upon the wildlife habit especially that of birds.

Yours sincerely



Sarah Kyle, Clerk to Stanwix Rural PC



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FAO Case Officer: Alanzon Chan

PARISH COUNCIL REPLY TO CONSULTATION ON PLANNING APPLICATION

Proposal: Replacement of Front Door and Frame (LBC)

Location: The Granary, Brunstock Mews, Brunstock, Carlisle, CA6 4QG

Appn Ref: 19/0678

Stanwix Rural Parish Council recommends that the application be determined in accordance with local and national planning and conservation policy.

Yours sincerely

Sarah Kyle

Clerk to Stanwix Rural PC

STANWIX RURAL PARISH COUNCIL
CLERK'S REPORT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 13 NOVEMBER 2019

In addition to the items covered within the agenda, the following items are to report on:

753.2/12/18 Bus Stop Seating

The Clerk has spoken to Cumbria Highways and clarified the reasoning behind the refusal to allow the perch seat and previous risk assessments carried out for the placement of the bus stop. The matter is now closed.

767.5/1/19 Houghton Village Green Parking Barrier

A photograph of the boulders placed at Tarraby has been sent to Highways and further instruction is awaited.

SR 869.2/9/19 Land Registry

The file has been closed indefinitely until further work is able to be carried out for the Houghton Village Green application. The parcels of land at both Tarraby and Park Broom are unlikely to be able to be registered due to a lack of sufficient evidence for Land Registry.

SR 882/10/19 Rickerby

No response has yet been received regarding the complaints regarding excessive weeds around the Rickerby Gardens phone/post box area. Similarly, a response regarding the criteria following a request to consider reduction of the speed limit to 20mph in the area is awaited.

Other Matters to Report:

Houghton Fair 2020

The date for the Fair has been set as Saturday 27th June 2020 and will run at the earlier time of 11am – 3pm. A group of volunteers are each working on separate strands to organise activities. A further planning meeting is to be held on Monday 25th November at 7pm in Houghton Primary school.

Cross Hill

Reports of excavation works and the blocking of the adjacent highway were reported at the above. The matter has been forwarded for action by the relevant departments at Carlisle City and Cumbria County Council.

CALC Training

A reminder that the training course will take place at 6.30pm in the Wildlife Centre on Thursday 14th November and that all Cllrs should endeavor to attend where possible please.

STANWIX RURAL PARISH COUNCIL

Appointment of representatives to outside bodies May 2019

Currently serving representatives are:-

<u>Bodies</u>	<u>Current Representative</u>
Houghton Village Hall Committee	Cllr Lightfoot
Crosby Village Hall Committee	Vacancy
Brampton & Beyond Community Trust	Vacancy

Appointment of representatives to Working Groups

Currently serving members are:-

<u>Working Group</u>	<u>Current Representative</u>
Finance/Risk Group	Cllrs Nicholson, Coles, Lightfoot & Phillips
Planning & Housing Group	Cllr C Nicholson & relevant ward Cllrs
Personnel Group	To be called on an ad-hoc basis according to need
Salary Review Group	Cllrs Nicholson, Phillips & the Clerk
Cllr Interview Panel	To be called on an ad-hoc basis
Complaints/Appeals Group	Relevant selection based upon nature of complaint/appeal
Environment & Recreation	Cllrs Ellmore, Phillips & Savory
Highways & Transportation	Cllr Coles
Community Plan Action Group	Relevant selection called upon ad-hoc
Houghton Fair Planning Group	Vacancy
Brunstock Common	Cllrs Nicholson, Coles and Watson
Flood Group	Vacancy



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Proposed Reforms to Permitted Development Rights to Support the Deployment of 5G and Extend Mobile Coverage: Consultation

Stanwix Rural Parish Council (SRPC) bases this response to the above consultation upon information provided by Cumbria Association of Local Councils (CALC); and reference to the consultation document published by The Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government.

The consultation seeks views on:

- The principle of amending permitted development rights for operators with rights under the Electronic Communications Code (Code Operators); and
- Whether it is appropriate to impose specific limitations, conditions and restrictions on any amendments to permitted development rights to mitigate the impact of any new development.

The Parish Council understands from CALC that: "NALC (The National Association of Local Councils) is minded to reiterate its standing positions on mobile masts in its response to this consultation will be responding and is interested in the sector's views."

With regard to NALC's standing position Stanwix Rural Parish Council advocates the following amendments to the main points (delete red strike-through; insert underlined italic):

1. A change in government policy on planning applications for mobile telephone masts to ensure that all heights of masts are subject to a full planning application and proper consultation with local councils (~~where possible~~); and in accordance with national and local planning policy and guidance.
2. Provision of fibre optic connection to be required as a basic utility along with other such services in new build houses and business ~~to be provided with in-built infrastructure~~ to enable connection to fibre-optic broadband;
3. ~~We support~~ While supporting the Rural Coalition's call for infrastructure which reaches rural areas, -so the rural economy can grow and create quality jobs, we also support the right of local authorities to represent and defend the interests of their communities through an effective and robust planning process.

CALC states that NALC will be responding to the below review questions and is interested in the sector's views:

Question 1.1: If these in principle proposals (set out in Questions 2 to 5) were taken forward, what impact would they have on meeting the Government's ambitions in relation to mobile coverage including addressing 'total not-spots' and 'partial not-spots'?

SRPC View: Any direct impact in relation to overall coverage, including of total or partial 'not-spots,' is unlikely. It is, however, almost certain that the proposals would have an immediate effect in accelerating the unregulated proliferation of infrastructure with a commensurate and potentially significant impact on local landscapes and residential amenity. A continued requirement for planning consent will permit the use, and enforcement of, local individually case-focused protective conditioning, in respect of both the impact of the equipment installed; and of the process of its installation; and of any required mitigation or remediation.

Question 3.1: Do you agree with the principle of amending permitted development rights to allow an increase in the width of existing ground-based masts by more than one third, to support 5G deployment and encourage greater utilisation of existing sites?

SRPC View: No, the Parish Council does not agree. Although greater utilisation, and/or sharing, of existing ground based masts would perhaps reduce the overall infrastructure requirement, the guiding principle of planning control is that each application is considered on its own merit. No two masts are likely to share identical site characteristics it is therefore impossible to develop a nationally applicable policy against which to assess the possible impact of enlarging any individual item of infrastructure.

Question 5.1: Do you agree in principle with amending permitted development rights to increase the height of new masts, subject to prior approval?

SRPC View: No, the Parish Council does not agree. The locations of masts vary considerably, meaning that in some locations even a small mast may be detrimentally intrusive whereas, at a different location, a larger mast may be relatively un-intrusive. All vertical infrastructures may impact upon, or otherwise affect, Article 2(3) Land and so should be subject to scrutiny against local and national criteria prior to approval.



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ST CUTHBERT'S GARDEN VILLAGE STAGE 2 MASTERPLAN FRAMEWORK OPTIONS REPORT

The report seeks opinions with regard to 3 options, there is however little hard fact upon which to base a qualitative judgement. Several broad aspects do however emerge which are, perhaps, worth examining.

DRAINAGE AND FLOOD DEFENCE

Page 34 of the Options Report (the report) states that:

- As information in respect of the masterplan options is yet to be determined, the statutory undertaker's ability to supply, and connection locations remain unidentified.
- Ongoing dialogue with United Utilities (UU) seeks to understand the capacity of the water supply, sewerage treatment works and connection locations and that UU is engaged in a process to model the potential need for new treatment works/ upgrades.

This *manifest* paucity of empirical data does not however inhibit bold optimism when the report confidently states:

"The United Utilities pumping stations will largely be unaffected by each masterplan option."

The report states that baseline analysis for each masterplan option excludes all flood zone 2 and 3 areas and gradients exceeding 20%; while the landscape typology for the 3 options areas '*should*' allow for SUDS features, flood attenuation, overland flood routing and '*retention*' of existing drainage features.

In a speech, of June 2019, eminent environmental scientist and international conservationist Sir Martin Holdgate CB, said:

"Winters will be appreciably warmer but also wetter, with perhaps 20% more rainfall. I said 'rainfall' because the number of days with frost and snow is likely to halve."

"At the same time, some of that 20% increase in winter rain is likely to come in heavy downpours that bring a risk of flooding – as in December 2015. If river flows increase by 20%, streams may need to widen their channels and reconstructed flood defences will become an investment priority." [Friends of the Lake District AGM, Saturday 15 June 2019]

In view of Sir Martin's statements it is a cause for concern that the word '*should*' is used with regard to flood attenuation, rather than a more robust commitment being given to the provision such features; while the '*retention*' of existing drainage features in handling the increased volumes of an enlarged infrastructure, rather than their enhancement, to ensure future-proofed capacity, also fails to reassure.

After two devastating flood events in Carlisle within the last 15 years there can be no vagueness, complacency, margin for uncertainty or corners cut with regard to designing infrastructure to handle further and perhaps even greater events.

Cumbria County Council's Flood Investigation Final Report, following the 2017 Storm Desmond event, makes clear on repeated occasions that the initial cause of flooding in several areas of the city was from drains and road gullies surcharging - *before defences were overtopped*.

It is therefore imperative that the proposed development of 10,325 homes must, from the outset, be planned around comprehensive flood defence and attenuation infrastructure, rather than accommodating such measures secondarily within a 'visionary' desk top concept.

POWER SUPPLY

According to the report all 3 options will affect the 33kV power supply and that:

- It is '**suspected**' that a new electricity primary substation will be needed to support the development of 10,325 homes, and that;
- The required 33kV power supply is '**likely**' to be provided from the Carlisle Bulk Supply Point.

Although again vague, when using the words 'suspected,' and 'likely', the report is astonishingly definite in stating that this provision will require, "*considerable off-site works and crossing of third-party land including the rail line...*"

Such works carry an inherent risk of their precipitating significant interruptions of service supply across Carlisle; and also of the disruption of local and national transport links.

Although such interruptions are likely to be of limited duration their immediate social and economic impacts may be severe for those affected. These likely events do not appear to be considered by the report.

PRIMARY HEALTH CARE PROVISION

Since the last consultation, of June 2018, the following have been reported in The News and Star:

- "Carlisle GP practice came close to folding, doctors reveal" 24/7/2018
- "GP surgeries across Cumbria are struggling to attract new partners" 25/7/2018
- "GP crisis: Patients in Carlisle and west Cumbria struggling to get appointments amid doctor shortage" 11/5/2019
- "Carlisle cancer patients sent to Preston for urgent scans" 24/8/2019
- "No dentists taking on new NHS patients in Carlisle" 1/9/2019

In addition the Care Quality Commission (CQC) states:

"Registered nurse staffing shortfalls and registered nurse vacancies persisted on all medical wards. Several registered nurse shifts remained unfilled despite escalation processes. Nursing staff sickness was also prevalent across wards with several wards having teams that were described as "burnt out". [North Cumbria University Hospitals NHS Trust Inspection Report, CQC, 22/11/2018]

Despite these stark indicators of Carlisle's critically over stretched health care offer, the report states simply that:

"The Garden Village generates an estimated requirement of 12 additional GPs. Discussion is ongoing with key stakeholders in order to establish the size and location of primary care facilities."

There exists, however, very little indication that the ongoing crisis in recruitment and retention of urgently needed healthcare professionals is likely to be overcome. The additional 12 GPs are therefore likely to remain elusive, whilst the burden of demand on those currently in general practice will undoubtedly increase.

The future of healthcare, both nationally and locally, is currently uncertain. As a result there can be no guarantee that ambitious proposals for enhanced healthcare provision will come ultimately to fruition. Those charged with the strategic planning of the garden village can rely in their work only upon the known capacity of city's existing healthcare infrastructure. The future health and wellbeing of the people of Carlisle must not become hostage to ephemeral aspiration.

LEISURE AND CULTURE

Regeneris Consulting Final Report to Carlisle City Council, 'Identification of Future Growth Opportunities in Carlisle' (July 2017), highlights a number of core economic challenges facing the city. These include

- A declining labour and aging supply, which is putting significant pressure on public services
- Below average productivity and modest wage levels with a concentration of employment in lower value industries.
- Under-representation in typically higher value industries such as finance and insurance and information and communication.
- The need to attract and create quality sustainable employment opportunities offering sound levels of pay and progression routes.

The Options Report touches very lightly upon these challenges stating a general aspiration that the garden village should seek to attract a younger working population. It must be presumed that the younger working population the development seeks to attract will expect a lifestyle commensurate with their expected relative affluence.

The report outlines the garden village's proposed leisure and cultural offer, sport being the dominant feature. The Options Report makes little mention of cultural investment and none of any need for greater theatre provision. The document proposes:

- 4 lanes of a 25m swimming pool (estimated cost: £4.0m)
- 1-2 sports halls with 6 courts of sports hall space (£3.8m)
- 1-2 indoor bowling rinks (£590,000)
- 0.5 artificial grass pitches (£543-601k)

It is further stated that Carlisle City Council has estimated an additional demand for:

- 12 Grass football pitches
- 10 Children's play areas, or equivalent
- 846ha. Amenity open space
- 1 Cemetery

(It is interesting to note the provision of a cemetery among the sports facilities, perhaps in anticipation of an increased incidence of serious injury and 12 GPs too few to treat them.)

While the above sports requirement is generated by a population of 24,780. The existing population is stated on the Carlisle City Council website as 108,000; for whom the City Council's website also outlines proposals for redevelopment of The Sands Centre. The two proposals are compared below.

Garden Village Requirement – Pop. 24,780	Sands Centre Development – Pop. 108,000
4 lanes of a 25m swimming pool	25-metre eight-lane swimming pool
1-2 sports halls with 6 courts of sports hall space	20-metre by eight-metre learners' pool.
1-2 indoor bowling rinks	120-station fitness suite.
0.5 artificial grass pitches	4-court sports hall and gallery
12no. Grass football pitches	Dance and exercise studios.
10no. Children's play areas, or equivalent	NHS physiotherapy suite.
846ha. Amenity open space	Existing sports hall becomes dedicated auditorium.
1no. Cemetery	New bar and café facilities.

To succeed in its ambition of attracting and retaining both the younger working population and the higher value employment opportunities they will require, the city as a whole must provide an appealing leisure and cultural offer. The garden village in isolation, even if perhaps seen as an enclave of special investment and appeal, will not be sufficient to lure the target demographic and its employers.

STANWIX RURAL PARISH COUNCIL
SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS TO BE AUTHORISED 13 November 2019

PAYEE	DETAILS	AMOUNT	VOUCHER No.	PAYMENT
NEST Pension	November Pension	£ 94.29	87	DD
Sarah Kyle	Nov salary plus reimbursements (to be paid 28.11.19)	£ 1,267.97	88	BACS
HMRC	Nov PAYE and NI (to be paid 28.11.19)	£ 222.57	89	BACS
Cumbria Payroll	Nov payroll	£ 18.00	90	BACS
Tech4Office	Sep/Oct printing	£ 23.71	91	BACS
Play Inspection Company	Quarterly Inspection	£ 252.00	92	BACS
Houghton In Bloom	Love your gardens grant	£ 141.35	93	BACS
Burnetts	Legal fees	£ 435.60	94	BACS
C Nicholson	Reimbursements	£ 142.20	95	BACS
Newlands Activity Centre	Houghton Fair Climbing Wall Deposit	£ 100.00	96	BACS
Newlands Activity Centre		<u>£ 2,697.69</u>		

Authorised by:

Signatory 1:

Minute Ref:

Signatory 2:

Balance at 31st October 2019

Bank Reconciliation

Cash Book:

Balance at 01.04.19	£52,323.05
Receipts to 31.10.19	<u>£57,336.94</u>
	<u>£109,659.99</u>

Less expenditure at 31.10.19	£36,636.22
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Balance at 31.10.19	<u><u>£73,023.77</u></u>
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Represented by:

Community A/C (HSBC)	£364.78
Money Manager A/C (HSBC)	£68,835.54
Cash Account (CBS)	£3,919.45

less outstanding payments vn10	£96.00
	<u><u>£73,023.77</u></u>

Reconciled by: _____

STANWIX RURAL PARISH COUNCIL GRANTS 2019/20

Amount Remaining

S137 Payments (but can contribute up to £19,752 approx : £1,000
 General Grants Fund £5,015
 £6,015

Round	Applicant	Project	Last Years A/C's	Bank Statement	Quotations	Power to provide under Local Government Act 1972	Total Cost of Project	Amount Requested	Amount received 1st round	Amount Awarded	Comments	Amount Paid?	Month Claimed
2nd	Houghton Village Hall	Christmas Decorations	Yes	yes	Two	Power to provide and encourage the use of facilities, Local Government Act 1972, s.144	£460.00	£460.00	£50.00				
2nd	Houghton In Bloom	Strimmer, sign & shed	Yes	yes	Yes	Public Health Act 1875, Section 164. Power to obtain and maintain open space.	£400.00	£300.00	£600.00				
2nd	Crosby Parish Hall	Re-wiring	Yes	To follow	One	Power to provide and encourage the use of facilities, Local Government Act 1972, s.144	£17,760.00	As much as possible	£154.80		£5k secured elsewhere		
2nd	Houghton Community Events	Events	No	yes	No	LGA1972 s.145 Provision of entertainment and support of the arts	£168.00	£168.00	£330.00		Is this retrospective in part?		
2nd	Computing Craft	Computer events	n/a	n/a	Yes	LGA1972 s.145 Provision of entertainment and support of the arts	£2,763.04	£2,763.00	£0.00		Is this not-for profit or private enterprise?		
TOTAL							£21,551.04	£3,691	£1,135	£	-	£	-