

Ainstable Parish Council

Serving the villages of Ainstable, Croglin, Newbiggin, and Ruckcroft,
the communities of Dale and Longdales, and the surrounding farms and houses

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An Extraordinary meeting of
Ainstable Parish Council

held at Croglin Village Hall at 7:30pm on Wednesday 20th October 2021.

Present: Cllr Vear (Chair); Cllr Bellis; Cllr H Proud; Cllr G Proud; Cllr Bradshaw; Cllr Robinson; Cllr Little

In attendance: K Lawson (Clerk); approximately 17 members of the public

1. Open Meeting - for discussion of matters of general parish concern (10 mins).

A member of the public raised concerns regarding planning application 21/0874 Land adjacent to Hillside, Ruckcroft. The Chairman replied that the parish council has picked up on this and will consider the application at its next ordinary meeting on 16th November.

Several members of the public spoke in opposition to planning application 21/0783 land at Nord Vue and called on Ainstable Parish Council to hold an Extraordinary Meeting to consider a parish council response. The Chairman agreed to call an Extraordinary Meeting to consider this application, date to be announced.

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2. **RESOLVED:** To accept apologies for absence and the reasons given, from Cllr Sproat, Cllr Jackson and Cllr Smith.

3. There were no declarations of interests.

4. To receive updates from Cumbria Highways

The Chairman reported that he and Cllr Bradshaw are due to hold site visits at a number of locations within the parish with the Highways Officer Management Team Leader to discuss solutions to a number of highways issues within the parish:

- 4.1. Proposals for traffic calming and parking restrictions Armathwaite Bridge

Cllr Robinson spoke about the strategic importance of Armathwaite Bridge for the fellside communities.

- 4.2. Feedback regarding proposed car park at Holme Holt

- 4.3. Traffic issues with the junctions at the Triangle by Armathwaite Old Methodist Chapel

- 4.4. Extending the 30mph zone in Ainstable

- 4.5. Traffic calming measures at Croglin

This work should have taken place in Feb but was delayed due to staff shortages.

- 4.6. Speeding at Newbiggin

Numerous complaints have been received by Highways. A traffic survey must be carried out before anything can be implemented. It was suggested that Horse warning signs would be useful on this stretch as well as children playing signs at Croglin & in Ainstable between the crossroads and the church institute.

4.7. Signposts:

- 4.7.1. Replacing the Warboys signs at Croglin & Armathwaite Triangle
- 4.7.2. Repairs to the cast-iron signpost at the bottom of Sandy Lonning
Repairs are being paid for by highways, and a replacement finger has been ordered.
- 4.7.3. Adding Platinum Jubilee finials to Ainstable Parish Council's cast-iron signposts
Circle finials only exist on signs with a named village; 2 x Ainstable, Ruckcroft, Newbiggin, Croglin, Armathwaite. The parish council is at liberty to alter its own signposts but will need permission from Highways to make changes to theirs. A circular insert could be cast that will fit into the existing circles. We are awaiting a quotation.

4.8. Proposals for solar lighting in the parish

Permission will be needed from Highways for all the sites.

RESOLVED: Under Standing Order 3(d), to exclude the press and public from the meeting for reasons of commercial sensitivity.

5. Cast Iron Signposts

- 5.1. The Clerk provided an update on the funding needed for the signposts for Croglin and Armathwaite Triangle
- 5.2. A revised quotation has been received from the supplier due to the increased cost of materials. This item will therefore be deferred for consideration at the next ordinary meeting on 16th November 2021.
- 5.3. A quote from Signpost Restoration Ltd for signpost finials commemorating HM Queen's Platinum Jubilee has not yet been received. This item will therefore be deferred.

6. Solar Lighting

- 6.1. There was some discussion about the proposed sites for solar lighting. Councillors agreed some changes to the sites.
- 6.2. In the light of the changes agreed under 6.1:
ACTION: The Clerk to obtain revised tenders.

7. Date of next ordinary meeting: Tuesday 16th November 2021, Ainstable Church Institute

Meeting closed: 21:26

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