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Minutes of a meeting of Burneside Parish Council held on Tuesday 7th December 2021 at 7pm at St Oswald's Church Room, Burneside.

### Public participation:

Tony Hill read his thoughts on the 'complaint' against the Council that was on the agenda of the last meeting. The work of numerous voluntary organisations and individuals, over many years, with spirit in collaboration and respect was acknowledged. Support for the Parish Council and the volunteers who put themselves forward as Councillors was given, along with District and County Councillors who are elected to represent the majority. It was felt that 'Public Participation' is the appropriate medium for local people and groups to highlight and report issues.

John Peatfield spoke on a recent email from SCRT regarding the Bowston Weir proposal, it was a misrepresentation of the Council and the BioGroup position; this position has been clear for over a year. The Council will write to SCRT to correct the statement. A recent report describes Swifts and House Martins as now on the red list. Wetland areas are very important for these birds; this further supports the need to protect the upstream weir habitat. This will be included in a further response to SLDC.

Roger Leather said that the bid for a 'loop' to be built on the Lakes Line (to allow a half hourly service) had been rejected. It is thought that involved parties will regroup and improve the plan. It is felt that the Windermere Gateway project lacks vision for train travel; this has not been fully integrated into the plan. He has been regularly attending relevant meetings and the station is looking well with planters, noticeboards etc.

The B4RN project for Strickland Ketel will not currently be taken forward for several reasons. The Council will write to the volunteers to thank them for their efforts.

Councillor Wade said that the train had been delayed recently due to a fallen tree.

**Dapper Dick Award:** The Chairman presented the Dapper Dick Award (a Certificate and a cheque for £50 to John Peatfield, in recognition of his contribution to both the community and the Council, especially his work surrounding the Bowston Weir removal proposal. John Peatfield confirmed the £50 will be donated to charity.

**Council Vacancies:** The Clerk said there had been one enquiry but no firm expressions of interest.

**Updates:** Councillor Notley:

Allotments - the allotment project continues to move on.

A parish Christmas meal with entertainment is planned for 21st December at 1pm in the Church.

*(Cancelled due to the Omicron variant)*

Councillor Senior updated the Council on the LCWIP consultation. He has resubmitted the Council's initial response again to the draft plan released. It seems that the plan is concentrating on Kendal.

Councillor Wade updated the Council on the success of the Residents Association Christmas tree and that it had survived the recent storm. The Clerk had contacted the Police regarding assistance when the Christmas lights etc. were turned on, but had been told that there were no officers available.

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*Dear Friends,*

February is a month that always brings about change. The long, darker days of winter noticeably start to recede; snowdrops and crocuses are well above ground, and lambs and young stock can start to be seen on our farms. It seems that spring is definitely around the corner with growth and renewal.

Interestingly the Bible uses many of these rural motifs to describe God and his work. Psalm 1 describes Godly people "like trees planted along the riverbank, bearing fruit each season. Their leaves never wither, and they prosper in all they do." Jesus is described as "the vine" and we are "the branches", which when attached to the vine will bear much fruit. Paul, writing to the Corinthians, describes the Church as "God's field"; a field planted and watered by those who minister to it, but grown by God himself. This imagery from the agricultural world is, I think, quite deliberate. It speaks of God's people as a living and growing body, rooted in Jesus. So just as in agriculture Spring brings growth, we too should be encouraged to grow in our faith and in our understanding of what we believe.

Can I therefore encourage you to think through how you are going to do that? How are you going to ensure that Spring for you is a time of growth and renewal?

One of the ways to grow, or to refresh faith, that many have found helpful is, to meet up with one or two others each week and simply look at a Bible topic or a few verses and learn from each other or join in a house group. Next month we will have several Lent Groups happening around the Beacon Team, look out for information nearer the time. This is another opportunity to find out more about faith and current issues in an informal friendly way.

For Christians it is always useful to remind ourselves why we believe what we believe, and to reassess what that belief means to us, its value and importance - not least because we can then explain it to others if asked.

Many of us within the Church as well as those who would not call themselves Church members often have areas where we are a bit unsure or doubtful about things. My experience is that joining together with others is good place to investigate those things that confuse us. So why don't you give it a try?

Best wishes

*Tricia*



## FEBRUARY CHURCH SERVICES ST.OSWALD'S, BURNESIDE



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20th Holy Communion 11am

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**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** to help clear the debris from Storm Arwen. Volunteers can go any day, any time to help clear the grounds, remove twigs and general tidy up the churchyard, putting green matter in the bins provided.

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From 10th January to 25th March 2022, the 45 & 445 service will divert between Burneside and Kendal via Hollins Lane and Windermere Road. The 445 service will operate through Hallgarth in the opposite direction to normal on both am & pm journeys.

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Councillor Will Huck:

The condition of the Bowston Bridge wall and the pot holes at the Garnett Bridge Road junction have been reported to CCC.

The Poppy Wreath was laid at the Remembrance Service.

The memorial bench is almost ready to go ahead, the documentation having been signed and returned to CCC.

A meeting had been attended, along with CCC Highways, Stan Collins and Crook Parish Councillors to discuss the Crook Road issues including Bonningate. CCC is aiming to have some plans for the Council to consider in the Spring. There will also be a further meeting with CCC in Burneside to discuss the other issues in the parish.

The Chairman and Alan Thompson are in the process of re-registering the defibrillator, located at Sprint Holme.

**Finance:**

An application from Ryan Airey on behalf of the Cricket Club was considered and it was resolved to make a grant of £487.50, the full amount requested.

The Budget Report, prepared by the Clerk, was considered and it was resolved that this Council makes a Precept upon South Lakeland District Council for the financial year 2022-23 in the sum of £27784. There is therefore no increase in the parish element of the Council Tax.

**Residents Association agenda item:** The Clerk had been in touch with CALC and it is advised that any organisation in the parish can give a report under 'public participation' at the start of each meeting. The other option is that a Parish Council representative can give an update on their behalf. It was agreed that guidance should be followed, so an individual agenda item cannot be granted. The agenda for public participation will be worded so that it includes updates from parish organisations/groups. Specific agenda items can also be requested prior to the agenda being circulated. The Clerk will write to the Residents Association to inform them. Councillor Armer wondered whether some sort of mediation may be useful to improve a working relationship.

**Storm Arwen:** The recent storm was discussed and the damage that has been caused. Councillor Wade spoke of the damage to Hollins Lane and queried whether it would need to be fully shut when repairs are undertaken. The Chairman agreed to report any relevant damage to the appropriate person(s). **Residents can report any damage to the Council and it will be reported appropriately. Parish groups/organisations can contact the Council if they require help with any storm repairs.**

**Code of Conduct:** The new Code of Conduct, adopted by SLDC, had been circulated to all Councillors and it was unanimously resolved to adopt it for this Council.

**Open Forum:**

Councillor Wade asked for the Council to consider making a contribution towards the Residents Association Christmas tree. It was agreed that this will be an agenda item for the next meeting.

The boat yard area at Bowston was raised again. The owner of the land has not responded to the Council's contact. The Chairman will contact Councillor Pat Bell about this and the old toilet block.

Bus shelters - the possibility of improving the shelters will be an agenda item for the next meeting.

**Date of the next meeting:**

**Tuesday 1st February 2022 at 7pm at St Oswald's Church Room, Burneside.**

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**St. Valentine's Day 14th Feb**

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**Random Acts of Kindness Day 17th Feb**

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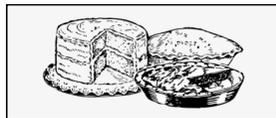
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