

# **Carnforth Town Council**

## MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND

# Summons to attend meeting on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at 6:30pm at the Council Offices, Market Street, Carnforth

19111	To receive apologies for absence
19112	To receive declarations of interest and consider dispensations relevant to items on the Agenda
19113	To receive a presentation on Anti-social behaviour (Lancaster City Council)
19114	To consider items of urgent business not on the agenda
19115	To consider draft Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> August 2019 (see Agenda Pack)
19116	To adjourn the meeting for a period of public discussion and to provide 'information only' updates on activities in recent weeks.

- 1) Public discussion
  - a) A resident wishes to address the Town Council on 5G mobile technology
- 2) Action plan update (to follow)
- 3) Correspondence (see Agenda pack)
- 4) Members updates and actions
  - a) Town Mayor
  - b) Outdoor Maintenance
  - c) VE 75 Day discussion paper
  - d) Eden Project role of the Town Council discussion paper
  - e) Community Champion Volunteers
  - f) General matters and issues not on the agenda
- 5) Reports of Ward and County Councillors
- 6) Reports from outside bodies:
  - a) Carnforth Business Network
  - b) Carnforth & District Twinning Association
  - c) Quarry Liaison
  - d) Carnforth Neighbourhood Plan Working Group
  - e) Carnforth Carnival Committee



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19117 To consider planning applications and temporary road closures set out below: (Planning applications can be viewed online at:

https://www.lancaster.gov.uk/planning/view-applications-and-decisions):

	Application No: Description				
	19/01141/VCN	Erection of a car showroom, maintenance workshop and preparation building – Land north of Kellet Road, Ober Kellet			
	<b>Temporary road closure</b> : Tunstall Road, Tunstall; 08:00 – 16:00 Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> November to Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> November 2019 -				
	<b>Temporary road closure</b> : Crag Bank Lane and Shore Road; 08:00 Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> December – 17:00 Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December 2019				
19118	To receive an update considered applicatio	on planning authority decisions on previously ns (See Agenda pack)			
19119	To consider report of	the Asset Management Committee			
19120	To consider report of	the Town Development & Planning Committee			
19121	To consider report of the Finance & Governance Committee				
19122	To consider Payments	s List for approval			
19123	To consider arrangem	nents for Remembrance Day 2019			
19124	To consider date and	time of next meeting			

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# Minutes of the meeting held at the Council Offices on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2019

**Present:** Councillors Branyan (Chair); Armstrong; Gardner; Grisenthwaite;

Holbrook; Jones; Parker; Reynolds; Smith, Watson and Watkins

In attendance: Bob Bailey, Town Clerk; County Cllr Williamson; Ward Cllr Guilding

Sqt Brown and J Bartle (Our Lancashire) and three members of the

public;

19097 **Apologies:** Apologies were received from the Town Mayor, Cllr Bromilow and Ward Cllr Yates.

19098 **Declarations of Interest and Dispensations:** There were no declarations of interest.

19099 **Urgent Business:** Members recommended and **RESOLVED** that a discussion on matters relating to Crag Bank Village Hall be deferred until the end of the meeting Agenda and be an exempt item in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972.

19100 **Minutes of the previous Meeting**: It was **RESOLVED** unanimously that the Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> August be approved.

19101 Community policing & Remembrance Day: Sgt Brown reported in the level and type of crime in the local area. Prevalent currently is the theft of plant and machinery being carried out by a criminal group outside of the Lancaster district.

There was a discussion on the role of the Police in relation to anti-social behaviour and mental illness. It was acknowledged that social care is a major challenge for the emergency services and support organisations.

It was reported that the Police use crime data to tactically target areas where crime is high, or where there is a 'spike' in crime in a certain area to make best use resources in an effective and efficient way. Members were advised that there is a new approach to policing where 'neighbourhood task forces' are deployed to target areas.

Members were informed that there is to be a recruitment drive aimed at securing 500 new police officers. Members asked several questions about Close Circuit Television and various crimes including thefts and the taking and distribution of drugs.

Sgt Brown then confirmed that from this year the Police would not be dealing with traffic management at events, including Remembrance Day. It was explained that the reason is not just resourcing the significant number of parades across the county but that officers do not have the training or legal powers in relation to traffic management of pre-planned events.

He advised that for this years Remembrance Day the Town Council will need to use an appropriately qualified traffic management company or arrange for volunteers to be trained.

Members expressed their disappointment that this decision had been taken by the Police, particularly for a significant event such as Remembrance Day. **ACTION**: Cllr Reynolds and the Town Clerk to write to the Chief Constable of Lancashire Constabulary on the matter. The discussion then moved on to how the Town Council could arrange traffic management on the day through local volunteers.

Two representatives from Carnforth Carnival Committee, attending the meeting, commented that they have experienced and trained volunteers at their disposal and advised that given the significance of Remembrance Day to the local community they would be willing to assist the Town Council.

At this point, Jonas Bartle, Our Lancashire Community Engagement Officer, explained his role within the Lancashire Volunteer Partnership, which is to essentially to recruit and train local volunteers, known as community champions, to support parish and town council's priorities and events, providing a visible and uniformed presence in the local community.

It was then **RESOLVED** that the Sgt Brown and Jonas Bartle be thanked for their attendance and that joint arrangements be made with Carnforth Carnival Committee to manage road closures and traffic on Remembrance Day 2019. It was further **RESOLVED** that arrangements be made to consider in more detail the role of the community champion and to make recommendations to the Town Council.

## 19102 Adjournment for public discussion and information only updates:

- 1) Public discussion: No matters were raised by members of the public
- Clerk's Report: The Town Clerk presented his report on activities and actions taken since the last meeting, including several actions deal with matters raised by the local community.
  - Members made comments and raised questions and it was then **RESOLVED** that the actions set out in Clerk's Report by approved, referred to relevant committees and included in an *Action Plan* for monitoring by the Town Council.
- 3) **Correspondence:** The Town Clerk presented the schedule of correspondence received and previously circulated to Members. It was reported that appropriate action had, or will be, taken by the Town Clerk and/or Committees to address any matters arising from correspondence received.
  - After some comments and questions, it was **RESOLVED** that the schedule of correspondence received, and actions taken and planned be noted.
- 4) **Members updates and reports**: Members provided updates and reported on the following natters:
  - a) **Town Mayor**: Cllr Grisenthwaite reported that the had recently attended a Battle of Britain Service on behalf of the Town Mayor and the Council.
  - b) Outdoor Maintenance: The newly appointed Outdoor Maintenance Officer has settled very well into the job and is already making himself known in the local community. It was reported that in order to fulfil tasks effectively there will be a need to purchase equipment, which will be considered by the Asset Management Committee as the need arises.
  - c) **General matters and issues:** Cllr Smith updated Members on works that are now nearing completion at the back of the Queens Hotel.
    - Cllr Grisenthwaite reported on his attendance at a recent Lancaster City Council planning committee to hear discussions on the outline planning application for employment floor space at land north of Kellet Road. Those attending in support of the application were congratulated for their part in the recommendation of the planning officer to refuse the application, being overturned.

5) Reports of Ward and County Councillors: Cllr Guilding commented on activities and actions that she had undertaken in recent weeks including reporting the state of Grosvenor Road to Lancashire County Council and grass cutting with Lancaster City Council.

Cllr Reynolds reported that Lancaster City Council's Cabinet and Overview & Scrutiny Committee are developing plans for the Lancaster District over the next four years and informed Members that the City Council is pressing ahead with its commercialisation agenda. The City Council continues to support emerging plans for the Eden of the North project. As a result of this, the government is being lobbied to ensure that HS2 stops at Lancaster Railway Station.

Plans to tackle car parking in Carnforth continues to move forward and the Town Council and local community will be kept informed of progress.

The Town Council are encouraged to submit comments to the Planning Inspectorate on the potential impact on Carnforth and the surrounding area from the Local Plan modifications, currently out to consultation.

County Cllr Williamson provided an update on Lancashire County Council's budget plans over the next four years. Overall the budget is being managed well and services delivered despite the deficits that Lancashire County Council has been faced with over several years now.

The recent resurfacing on Kellet Road has been successfully completed, although there appears to be a 'gap' where the road has not been resurfaced close to the Secondary School, the reason for which is unknown. Resurfacing of North Road and Grosvenor Road is in the work programme to be done.

Highways England have undertaken extensive community engagement in respect of the resurfacing works to be carried out between Junctions 34 and Burton Services in September. This has been an approach welcomed at all tiers of local government as well as the local community. Based on Highways England data and evidence a bid is being made to fund works to improve five bridges locally – full details of this are not yet available.

Footfall into Carnforth Library – now a 'community hub' – has increased by 15%. Tthe local community are encouraged to volunteer and get involved in the libraries many and varied activities.

After some discussion it was **RESOLVED** that Ward and County Cllrs be thanked for their updates and support for the Town Council.

- 6) Reports from task groups and outside bodies/committees:
  - a) Carnforth Business Network (CBN): It was reported that the CBN are keen to have a meeting on parking matters and concerns in the town. ACTION: Cllr Reynolds to contact the CBN Secretary to remind them of the outcome of previous discussions and planned actions going forward. Plans are being finalised for a joint CBN and Town Council stall at the forthcoming North Lancashire Expo;
  - b) **Carnforth & District Twinning Association**: The recent Twinning visit had been a great success and local activities are planned in the coming weeks;
  - c) Quarry Liaison:. Nothing to update;
  - d) Carnforth Neighbourhood Plan: See Agenda item 19108

- e) Carnforth Carnival Committee: Cllr Jones reported on the recent Annual General Meeting at which she was elected to the committee to support fundraising;
- f) Carnforth Station Heritage Centre: Cllr Parker had previously circulated a written report on the meeting held on 31st July 2019 and recent activities.

After some comments and questions, it was then **RESOLVED** that the reports and actions arising from the task groups and outside bodies/committees be noted.

19103 Planning Applications/Road Traffic Orders: Members considered the following planning applications and road traffic orders:

Erection of a 2-storey dwelling, creation of an access & parking area, alterations to land levels & construction of a retaining wall & erection of a single storey rear extension to existing dwelling; 17 Townsth Wells Cornforth LAE OLS
existing dwelling; 17 Towpath Walk, Carnforth LA5 9JS
Demolition of existing conservatory & erection of a single storey rear extension; 37 St Austell Place, Carnforth LA5 9TU
Erection of 2 semi-detached dwellings, creation of new vehicular access & associated external works
Erection of a first-floor side extension & conversion of existing garage to additional living accommodation; 1 St Austell Place, Carnforth LA5 9TU
Erection of a two-storey front extension & a single storey side extension to accommodate maintenance & MOT facilities; The Travellers Choice, Coach & Travel Centre, Scotland Road, Carnforth LA5 9RQ
Construction of a replacement bay window to the front elevation & extension to existing terraced area at the rear; 22 The Drive, Carnforth LA5 9JG

road closure 08:00 4<sup>th</sup> November 2019 until 17:00 15<sup>th</sup> November 2019

Members considered each of the above and after some general comments it was **RESOLVED** that all the planning applications be supported in principal and that the traffic regulation and public footpath diversion orders be noted.

Planning Authority Decisions: Members considered the up-to-date position on decisions of the planning authority (Lancaster City Council) on planning applications previously considered by the Town Council. It was noted that two of the planning applications had been permitted; one - that the Town Council had objected to (19/00872/PA) – had been granted 'prior approval' and eight were awaiting a decision.

After some comments, it was **RESOLVED** that the update on planning authority decisions be noted and that a further update on planning application 16/00335/OUT be requested.

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- 19105 Report of Town Development & Planning Committee: Councillor Watkins reported on the recommendations, actions and resolutions arising from the meeting of the Committee on 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2019 including:
  - a) Actions taken to prepare for the North Lancs Expo;
  - b) A suggestion made by a resident in Warton that speed cameras be put in place on Warton Road. This led to a wider discussion on the general management of speeding vehicles around the town. It was agreed that County Highways and the Town Council would have to work together to determine where there is a clear need for controls to reduce speed;
  - c) Agreement to pursue a residents suggestions for improving the play area at Crag Bank. The support of Lancaster City Council will be sought and there will be an article in the Carnforth Express seeking to establish a community group to take any project forward and secure funding;
  - d) Agreement to pursue a suggestion to erect wooden frames that could accommodate interchangeable signage to promote town events throughout the year;
  - e) Recommendations to support three planning applications;
  - f) Agreement that Lancaster City Council's Planners provide Member training in the new year on planning policy and procedure;
  - g) A recommendation that the Town Council supports community groups making applications to Lancaster City Council's Making Spaces Fund to improve public parks and open spaces;
  - h) A recommendation that the Town Council establishes a task group to run a variety of events and celebrations over the weekend of 8th 10th May 2019 to commemorate 75 years since Victory in Europe Day;
  - Actions being taken in other planned activities including Remembrance Day 2019.

After some comments and questions, it was **RESOLVED** that the report of the Town Development & Planning Committee be noted and that all recommendations be approved.

- 19106 Report of the Finance & Governance Committee: Councillor Gardner reported on the recommendations, actions and resolutions arising from the meeting of the Committee on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2019 including:
  - a) Approval form the Town Council for additional funding from existing balances for a specialist Mechanical & Electrical (M&E) survey and a set of detailed drawings and plans as part of the wider project for an options appraisal of the Civic Hall;
  - b) Detailed requirements of the Public Sector Bodies (Websites and Mobile Applications) (No. 2) Accessibility Regulations 2018 and actions being taken to ensure that the Town Council's website is compliant;
  - c) Recommendation that the Town Council 'pledges' £500 to Carnforth & District Bowling Club subject to further information being obtained on the funding secured and being sought;
  - d) Satisfactory conclusion of the audit of the Town Council's accounts, governance and internal controls in 2018/2019 and the statutory actions now required to publish the accounts

After some comments and questions, it was **RESOLVED** that the Finance and Governance Committee report be noted and all recommendations approved.

19107 Payments List: The Town Clerk presented the payments list that had been considered and recommended for payment by the Finance and Governors Committee, including a payment of £250 to the Serenity Café previously approved by the Town Council.

After some questions, it was then RESOLVED that all invoices, expenses and salary payments be approved.

North Lancs Expo: It was reported that plans are now in place for a joint stall with the Carnforth Business Network at this event being held on 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> September at Lancaster Brewery. Over the two days it will be a good opportunity to showcase the town and to network with businesses, representatives from the Eden Project and consumers. Members welcomed the prospect and several volunteered to be in attendance over the two days, it was then **RESOLVED** that the plans for the North Lancs Expo be noted.

19109 Carnforth Neighbourhood Plan: Good progress continues to be made. Plans are being finalised for two drop-in community consultation events at the Civic Hall on 30<sup>th</sup> September, when the local community will get an opportunity to comment on their aspirations for the town and give their views on the revised Carnforth Vision and Objectives and Policy Ideas and Carnforth Baseline Assessment. Drafts of the Local Green spaces assessments will also be available for comments.

In the coming weeks local businesses will be directly asked for their views and aspirations for the town through an online and postal survey. Full details of both the planning consultants and the Town Council's Privacy Notices will be published and available at any community engagement event to ensure transparent compliance with General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR).

The conclusion of the Housing Needs Assessment is expected soon, as is a decision on whether the Working Group have been successful in its application for further, government backed, technical support.

An excellent working relationship has been established and maintained with the appointed planning consultants and Lancaster City Council throughout the project and approval of the Carnforth Neighbourhood Plan is expected in the Summer of 2020.

After some discussion, several Members agreed to be in attendance at the drop-in event on 30<sup>th</sup> September, it was then **RESOLVED** that the Carnforth Neighbourhood Plan Working Group be congratulated on their work to date and progress made.

19110 **Date and time of next meeting:** The next meeting of the Town Council will be held on **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2019 commencing at 6:30pm.** The meeting closed at 8:40pm.

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# **Correspondence – October 2019**



Date	Sender	Topic		
13/09/2019	Town Clerk	Town Council Agenda Pack		
17/09/2019	AONB	Invitation: Poet Laureate Simon Armitage and AONBs 'National Moment'		
18/09/2019	Town Clerk	Action Plan		
19/09/2019	Carnforth Neighbourhood Plan Dron-in e			
21/09/2019	Lancashire County Council	Temporary Road Closure – Crag Bank Road		
24/09/2019	Cllr Grisenthwaite	Discussion paper – VE 75 Day		
24/09/2019	/09/2019 Cllr Grisenthwaite Eden Project North – Town Council's role discussion paper			
24/09/2019	Town Clerk	Draft response to Local Plan Modifications		
25/09/2019	Lancashire Constabulary	Burglary update		
25/09/2019	Our Lancashire	Community champion scheme		
26/09/2019	Town Clerk	Funeral arrangements – Roger Mace		
26/09/2019	Town Clerk	Disabled parking/penalty notice		
28/09/2019	Town Clerk	Asset Management Committee Agenda Pack		
04/10/2019	Town Clerk	Town Development & Planning Committee Agenda Pack		
04/10/2019	Town Clerk	Finance & Governance Committee Agenda Pack		
04/10/2019	Lancaster City Council	Planning Application 19/01141/LCN		
04/10/2019	Town Clerk	Carnforth Neighbourhood Plan Business survey		
10/10/2019	Town Clerk	Draft response to Local Plan modifications press release		

# Carnforth Town Council: 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of VE Day A Discussion paper

## Background

Next year will see the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Victory in Europe (VE) Day on 8 May. The day itself in 1945 marked the end of the Second World War in Europe although hostilities did not come to an end until the Japanese surrender in August. Victory over Japan (VJ) Day was 15 August 1945.

To mark the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of VE Day, the Government announced earlier this year that the May bank holiday in 2020 would be moved back four days to Friday 8 May. Three days of celebrations are planned nationally across the weekend and local communities are being encouraged to take a full and active role in these celebrations.

## What part should Carnforth Town Council take in the VE Day celebrations?

Obviously, we could organise an event of our own but perhaps we might have a greater impact if – as local community leaders – we assumed a co-ordinating role for other groups and individuals in the community who want to mark the event in their own way. Judging by the public response we saw in Carnforth to the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the WW1 Armistice last year, it is likely that many people will be keen to see next year's anniversary of VE Day honoured in a similar fashion.

#### What would we need to do?

- Organise a public meeting and invite representatives of local groups (Carnival Committee, Twinning Association, etc) and the schools to attend to see what ideas are already circulating regarding possible celebrations (street parties, musical events, etc).
- 2 Using our social media platforms and the next edition of the *Carnforth Express*, invite individual members of the community to share their ideas for suitable celebrations with us.
- Identify a small budget to enable us to offer small cash prizes (along the same lines as Carnforth in Bloom) to those individuals or groups that not only come up with the best ideas but also who are prepared to organise and bring them to life.
- Form a small "steering" sub-group to judge proposals, to oversee progress and co-ordinate PR activity so that Carnforth is seen to be acting as a single community and not a collection of individual groups.

## Conclusion

Comment has been made previously that for a small town, Carnforth is full of many disparate groups, all with their own ideas and agendas. The VE Day anniversary celebrations offer the Town Council an opportunity to step forward and demonstrate

clearly that it does act for all of the community and should be taken seriously as a leader and a voice for the community. What is being proposed here doesn't preclude the Town Council organising its own event or other form of celebration but it will go some way towards bringing the community together in a focused and meaningful fashion.

What do you think?

Jim Grisenthwaite

22 September 2019

# Carnforth Town Council: The Eden Project North – what part can Carnforth play?

## **A Discussion Paper**

## Background

The proposal to bring the Eden Project to the North of England and specifically to Morecambe has generated a huge amount of excitement since it was announced last year. A number of large organisations including Lancashire County Council, Lancaster University and Lancaster City Council have lent their support (and their financial backing) to the project and momentum is growing locally and regionally.

The project offers a once-in-a-generation opportunity to re-invigorate and develop Morecambe and the surrounding area culturally, educationally and economically bringing with it jobs, visitors and investment. The backers of the project have already been lobbying and promoting it in the media and on the ground. A detailed public and stakeholder consultation is due to start soon and Eden aims to submit a planning application for the project in spring next year (2020). Eden began the planning process in June this year by submitting its Environmental Impact Assessment Scoping Report to Lancaster City Council.

The project is due to open in spring 2023, following a two-year construction period.

There is a window of opportunity open to Carnforth to play a part in the development of this project for the benefit of the town, its businesses and its residents but to take advantage of the opportunity the town has to speak with one voice and with clear objectives. If we allow factional interests and different objectives to prevail then we will simply dissipate effort, waste the opportunity and leave the window open for other communities to exploit.

#### What needs to happen?

- The Town Council should organise a public meeting and invite representatives of local businesses and groups (Carnforth Business Network, Rail User groups, Travellers Choice, etc) as well as the schools to attend to see what ideas are already circulating regarding possible local developments that would complement the project and benefit Carnforth.
- Using our social media platforms and the next edition of the *Carnforth Express*, invite individual members of the community to share their ideas for potential developments with us.
- Form a small "steering" sub-group to act as a filter for ideas and to formulate a small number of objectives that could be put up for public consultation as soon as practically possible. This steering group would also act as a lobby for Carnforth in any discussions with the City Council and the Eden Project organisers. It would also co-ordinate PR activity so

that Carnforth is seen to be acting as a single community and not a collection of individual groups and interests.

As work develops with shaping Carnforth's vision, a small budget may need to be identified for professional assistance.

#### Conclusion

It is difficult to overstate the importance of the Eden Project North to the long-term economic development of the whole of North Lancashire. With its excellent road and rail links Carnforth is well-placed to "service" the project to our mutual benefit. We need investment in business and in infrastructure and if we are to take advantage of the opportunity the Eden Project North is presenting then we have to be clear about not only what we want but also what we can offer.

Can Carnforth become a transport hub for those arriving by car or by train who want to visit the project by providing the base for innovative new forms of transport to Morecambe such as environmentally friendly hydrogen powered buses? Should Carnforth develop its own tourist offer for visitors to the project who wish to extend their visits to explore the Lakes and the Dales? What can we do to exploit our fantastic position as a rail and road crossroads within easy reach of the project itself? These (and others) are the ideas that need teasing out so that we can formulate our objectives.

We have said before that Carnforth is full of many disparate groups, all with their own ideas and agendas. The Eden Project North offers the Town Council an opportunity to step forward and demonstrate clearly that it acts for all of the community and should be taken seriously as a leader and a voice for the community. If we don't grasp this game changing opportunity and galvanise the whole community into single-minded action, we will only have ourselves to blame when new investment, jobs and tourists by-pass Carnforth en route to Lancaster and Morecambe and the Eden Project.

What do you think?

Jim Grisenthwaite

22 September 2019

# **QUARRY LIAISON MEETING - AGGREGATE INDUSTRIES**

Aggregate Industries, Back Lane Quarry . 24th September 2019 at 2.0 pm.

#### PRESENT:

Geoff Storey – Estates Manager.

Mathew Turner – A.I.

Jonathan Haine – Lancashire County Council.

Michael Mumford – Lancaster City Council.

Ian Williams – Nether Kellet P.C.

Nick Johnson – Nether Kellet P.C.

Graham Agnew – Over Kellet P.C.

Rowland Parker – Carnforth T.C.

Apologies: Cllr Phillipa Williamson. Mike Hunter A.I.

Geoff Storey, as at the previous meetings, raised A.I.'s concerns regarding the Lancaster Local Plan and the proposed South Carnforth housing developments close to existing quarries. They have continued to lobby Lancaster City Council regarding any development which could affect the Safeguarding of Minerals and operation of the quarry site and can now report that the potential housing development has been withdrawn from the Plan.

There is a national concern throughout the Industry and it should be remembered that any major road repairs or resurfacing like the M6 and A' Class roads would require a supply of materials through the night. The Regional importance of Back Lane Quarry cannot be underestimated as deposits determine that it will outlast many quarries in the north of England. The Quarry has production rights until the year 2048. This compares to Sandside Quarry – 2030 and Holme Park Quarry 2043. Test drilling is taking place to support an application to deepen the quarry.

The Environment Act Review has been postponed to the year 2031. There are no plans to open any new Quarries in the north and west area.

The Quarry is producing 75 to 80,000 tonnes of material per month with an anticipated 1.2 million for the year. A night shift will operate when necessary and the Company continue with product developments.

Two complaints had been dealt with since the last meeting. These were for a stone spillage on Back Lane which was cleared immediately and one for a Blast from a resident of Over Kellet. The blast had been monitored and found to be well under tolerance limits; it is possible it was a result of air pressure.

Geoff Storey voiced concern about the recent successful Planning permission given for the development of a Porsche Garage and other industrial units on the A601M. He pointed out that when that part of the A601M had been designed, both local quarries had funded its construction, however they had not been consulted on the recent planning application and resulting changes

The Meeting closed at 2.45pm.

Next meeting: Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2020 (Prov).

Cllr. Rowland Parker.

# **QUARRY LIAISON MEETING: TARMAC**

# MEETING held at Carnforth Cricket Club on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2019 at 12noon.

#### Present:

Reuben Parkinson – Tarmac Quarry Manager Dean Holmes – Tarmac. Michelle Middleton – Tarmac Administration. Jonathan Haine – Lancashire County Council. Michael Mumford – Lancaster City Council. Ian Williams – Nether Kellet P.C. Judith Bentham – Nether Kellet P.C. Nick Johnson – Nether Kellet P.C. Graham Agnew – Over Kellet P.C. Rowland Parker – Carnforth Town Council.

## **Leapers Wood Quarry.**

The quarry offices and weighbridge have finally been relocated to a lower part of the quarry and which now leaves the old site at the top of the hill ready for further development.

The quarry is currently producing 65-70 thousand tonnes of material per month. The year to date is around 500,000 tonnes with an expected year end of 650-700.000. The quarry is working day shifts only and has recently increased the number of employees by 1.

They continue to invest in new Plant and Machinery. A new sprinkler system is in operation which uses re-cycled water.

None of the aggregate products contain other re-cycled materials: crushed glass is currently being used in some other quarries.

Meetings are taking place between Tarmac and Aggregate Industries regarding the construction of a Viewing Platform. This will be erected on the edge of Helks Wood, just adjacent to the Nether Kellet to Over Kellet Road and will overlook both Quarries. No date has been set as some more preparatory work is needed but hopefully things should be happening by the middle of next year.

Cooperation takes place between the two quarries to ensure the road and footpath surfaces are cleared of any deposited aggregate where the A601M joins the B6254 Kirkby Lonsdale Road near the Motorway bridge. Lorry drivers are constantly being asked to trim their loads before leaving the quarries.

Blasting operations continue at 2 or 3 per month. All blasts are monitored and have been under the current limit of grade 6 on the meter. On 6<sup>th</sup> February a blast was monitored at grade 4.

**<u>Dunald Mill Quarry.</u>** Remains mothballed but much road improvement work has been carried out and high quality fencing installed where necessary.

'Breedon' still operate a concrete plant on the site.

There has been concern lately about trespassers on the Nether Kellet side of the quarry along an isolated track. This is being monitored as there is evidence of possible drug use being involved.

Tributes were paid to Roger Mace, former Liaison Committee member, Lancaster City and Parish Councillor who had passed away recently. His input at meetings had been greatly appreciated.

The Meeting closed at 1.0 pm.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2020. (Prov.)



# Planning Application Comments & Decisions October 2019



Application Number / Description	Town Council Representation	Planning Authority Decision / Status
<b>16/00335/OUT:</b> Outline application for the erection of 158 dwellings with associated new vehicular access, incorporating a roundabout and access road, and pedestrian/cycle access points; Land Between Brewers Barn and A601(M), Carnforth Brow, Carnforth, LA5 9LJ	Object to the planning application	Awaiting decision – Section 106 agreement outstanding but being progressed
<b>19/00380/FUL:</b> Retrospective application for the installation of gravity pipework, sewage pump & electrical cabinet – Land off Carnforth Brow, Carnforth	Support the planning application in principle	Awaiting decision
<b>19/00495/VCN:</b> Demolition of existing building & erection of a new building to be used as a church conference & resource centre and associated new car parking - Former Filter House, Kellet Road, Carnforth, Lancashire, LA5 9XJ	Object to the planning application – Lack of car parking is likely to result in overspill and be a highway safety concern.	Awaiting decision
<b>19/00541/OUT:</b> Outline application for the erection of up to 250 dwellings with associated access – Lundsfield Quarry, Kellet Road, Carnforth	Support the planning application in principle – Comments posted following consultation with the local community	Awaiting decision
<b>19/00545/HYB:</b> Hybrid application comprising a full application for proposed alterations to land levels and outline application for up to 8,400sqm of employment floor space with associated access – Land North of Kellet Road, Over Kellet	Support the planning application in principle	Awaiting decision
<b>19/00775/FUL:</b> Change of use of agricultural barns and land to a 3-bed dwelling and associated demolition and alterations to existing buildings and access – Hodgsons Croft Farm, North Road, Carnforth, LA5 9LU	Support the planning application in principle	Awaiting decision
<b>19/00878/LB</b> : Listed building application for demolition of agricultural barn and associated works, alterations to existing boundary walls and gateposts & creation of terraces and parking court - Hodgsons Croft Farm, North Road, Carnforth, LA5 9LU	Support the planning application in principle	Awaiting decision



# Planning Application Comments & Decisions October 2019



Application Number / Description	Town Council Representation	Planning Authority Decision / Status	
<b>19/01024/FUL</b> Erection of a single storey rear extension – 36 Cambourne Avenue, Carnforth LA5 9TS	Support the planning application in principle	Application refused	
<b>19/00954/VCN:</b> Erection of a 2-storey dwelling, creation of an access & parking area, alterations to land levels & construction of a retaining wall & erection of a single storey rear extension to existing dwelling; 17 Towpath Walk, Carnforth LA5 9JS	Support the planning application in principle	Application permitted	
<b>19/01020/FUL:</b> Demolition of existing conservatory & erection of a single storey rear extension; 37 St Austell Place, Carnforth LA5 9TU	Support the planning application in principle	Awaiting decision	
<b>19/01083/FUL:</b> Erection of a first-floor side extension & conversion of existing garage to additional living accommodation; 1 St Austell Place, Carnforth LA5 9TU	Support the planning application in principle	Application permitted	
19/01101/FUL: Erection of a two-storey front extension & a single storey side extension to accommodate maintenance & MOT facilities; The Travellers Choice, Coach & Travel Centre, Scotland Road, Carnforth LA5 9RQ	Support the planning application in principle	Awaiting decision	
<b>19/01126/FUL:</b> Construction of a replacement bay window to the front elevation & extension to existing terraced area at the rear; 22 The Drive, Carnforth LA5 9JG	Support the planning application in principle	Awaiting decision	

# Carnforth Town Council DRAFT PAYMENTS LIST 130 TO 151

Voucher	Cheque	Code	Name		Description		Amount
132		5 - Repairs & Maintenance	CHF Supplies		Repairs and maintena	ince	480.00
		Emergency call out to a	attend to an oil leak in t	he fuel tank			
133		42 - External Audit	PKF		Professional services		360.00
		2018/2019 Audit					
134		62 - Cleaning	Moore 'n' Wife		Cleaning		540.00
135		5 - Repairs & Maintenance	Trade UK		Repairs and maintena	ince	87.00
		Surface pump - Floodir	ng at the Civic Hall				
136		5 - Repairs & Maintenance	Trade UK		Repairs and maintena	ince	68.76
137		4 - Cleaning	Dazzling windows		Cleaning		30.00
138		66 - Neighbourhood Plan Develo	Troy Hayes Design		Professional services		3,254.64
139		26 - PAYE	HMRC		PAYE		551.71
		Month 6					
140		18 - Town Clerk	Bob Bailey		Salary		839.43
141		46 - Telephone	Bob Bailey		Expenses		10.00
142		21 - Town Clerk	Bob Bailey		Expenses		4.50
143		17 - Civic Hall Manager	Rik Marsden		Salary		873.92
144		20 - Civic Hall Manager	Rik Marsden		Expenses		15.00
		Allowance					
145		17 - Civic Hall Manager	Rik Marsden		Expenses		4.50
146		19 - Outdoor Maintenance Office	Terry Allum		Salary		336.00
147		22 - Outdoor Maintenance Office	Terry Allum		Expenses		45.00
148		71 - Bank Interest	Unity Trust		Debit Interest		0.18
149		70 - Service Charge	Unity Trust		Service Charge		18.00
150		8 - Civic Hall Feasibility Study	Atlantic Geomatics		Measured building su	vey	900.00
		Measured building surv	ey and plans				
151		5 - Repairs & Maintenance	T & E Hartley		Heating boiler		75.00
		Repair to oil heating bo	iler				
				Subtotal No.			8,493.64
130	Direct Debit	7 - Drinks Machine	Lavazza		Drinks Machine lease		156.00
130	Direct Debit	Quarter 2	Lavazza		Dilliks Wacillie lease		130.00
131	Direct Debit	36 - Broadband	Plusnet		ICT		28.20
				Subtotal No.	Direct Debit		184.20
					то:		8,677.84