

## Loweswater Parish Council: Clerks Report - January 2017

### Actions completed by Clerk and others after the November meeting:

- 73.16: Clerk to inform CALC that LPC supports continuing the Parish Forums: Done
- 73.16: Clerk to complete and return the LD Communities Fund form: Done & awarded grant
- 73.16: Cllr. Walker to meet up with Cath Johnston re: degradation of peat fells:
- 74.16: Clerk & Cllr. Bowness to raise this issue with Cumbria Highways: Done
- 75.16: Clerk to contact ABC again to find out what is happening with street-light opposite Dancing Pastures: Done and assurances given
- 76.16: Cllr. Annison to provide Cllrs with an update on Mockerkin Hall:
- 76.16: Clerk to send letter of thanks to Mr. Starkie: Done
- 77.16: Clerk to write to the Police & Crime Commissioner re; new style Police Report: Done
- 78.16: Clerk to inform ABC that there would be no increase in the precept: Done
- 82.16: Clerk to request the return of the bin to the lay-by between Waterend and Loweswater Hall and a visit from the road sweeper for the Parish: Done
- 82.16: Clerk and Chair to meet with the new highways engineer for the area: Done

Cumbria Highways: Myself, Cllr. Mitchell and Cllr. Leck met with John Smitham, the new Highways Engineer for the area, and Ian Mayson who is in charge of the gully cleaning team for the area. We all had a drive around the parish with the councillors showing them the various highways issues that were outstanding, a list of which is given below. We were assured that work on these would be undertaken shortly. I have also requested that the road sweeper visit the Parish but have been told by James Irving from Allerdale BC that because of cut backs they only had one large road sweeper and three smaller ones. The large one was the one that would be used for the rural parishes but he had been told to prioritise the three towns in which flooding was bound to be an issue in the coming months, i.e. Cockermouth, Keswick and Workington, where homes would be under direct threat. He stated that he would aim to get Buttermere done early in the new year.

1. Pot hole has re-emerged at the top of Fangs Brow.
2. 'Slow' signs on the road in the Waterend area need to be re-painted.
3. The gully under the road in the Pinfold area needs to be cleared.
4. Gullies in the vicinity of Church Bridge and the Kirkstile need to be cleared.
5. Uneven road surface beyond Thrushbank
6. Breaking away of the road edge and associated pot holes on the Mockerkin to Fangs road
7. Flooding in the Pinfold area due to blockages
8. Pinchpoint in Mockerkin - larger lorries
9. Blockages in the beck under the bridge at Waterend
10. Various blocked gullies

### Mockerkin Issues:

### Correspondence received since last meeting:

Correspondence	For information	For action
LDNPA Allerdale Members Report: Oct & Nov	X	
CALC Newsletter: Nov & Dec/Jan	X	
Discussion document 2: Insurance cover Melbreak Communities	X	
Letter from LDNPA confirming grant of £500	X	
Letter from PCC re: new style Police Reports	X	

**All relevant electronic mail has been forwarded to councillors**

**Planning:** There is one planning application to consider:

Ref: 7/2016/2312  
Location: Grasmoor House, Loweswater CA13 ORU  
Proposal: Extension & alterations to dwelling house  
Reply by: 11th January 2017

**Payment made between meetings:**

Please note that a payment of £75.00p was made between meetings to Loweswater Village Hall, this being the rent due for 2016.

**Melbreak Communities Meeting Dates:**

January 17th DR

Dave Smith: Clerk to Loweswater Parish Council