

Copeland District Association
DRAFT Minutes of the Annual General Meeting
Tuesday 12th July 2022
7.00 pm

Present:

Chris Shaw (CALC)
David Billing (Millom Town Council)
David Lockwood (Millom Without Parish Council)
David Savage (Millom Without Parish Council)
Andy Pratt (Drigg and Carleton Parish Council)
Pat Graham (Copeland Borough Council)
Cath Jopson (Millom)
Keith Hitchen (Drigg and Carleton Parish Council)
Gwynneth Everett (Weddicar Parish Council)
Ged McGrath (Millom Town Council)
David Halliday (Millom Town Council)

1. Welcome and Apologies

Chris advised that apologies have been received from:
Bob Jones, Marlene Jewett, Bob Kelly, Mike Starkie
Andy Pratt welcomed all to the meeting.

2. Minutes

- a. Minutes of Calc Copeland district AGM 14th September 2021
- b. To note the minutes of the February 2022 meeting

The minutes and notes from the above meetings were agreed as a true and accurate record.

An update on the Copeland Borough Council Climate plan was requested – Cllr Pat Graham to action

The Copeland Local Plan went out to full council, further consultation to take place before public examination takes place. Completed plan expected early 2023. Cllr Pat Graham to send a link to Chris for circulating regarding the current local plan.

3. Elections

Nominations closed on the 30th June 2022, and the following were proposed and seconded and were elected unopposed:

- a. Chair for 2022/2023
Andrew Pratt (Drigg and Carleton PC)
- b. Vice Chair for 2022/23
Chair Doug Sim (St Bees PC)
- c. Executive Committee
Bob Jones (Ponsonby PC)
David Savage (Millom without PC)

Keith Hitchen (Drigg and Carleton PC)
Ged McGrath (Millom TC)

The lack of attendance by parishes was discussed, Chris to contact all parishes to see if face to face or virtual meetings are preferred.

4. Representatives to the GDF search areas in Copeland

The representatives were confirmed as:

- a. Mid Copeland Keith Hitchen (Drigg and Carleton PC)
- b. South Copeland David Savage (Millom without PC)

5. Annual Report (Calc Liaison Officer) (attached)

The report by Chris Shaw was noted:



Annual report July
2022.pdf

Discussions of the legality/auditing of the Copeland ALC meetings took place. The membership of CALC was discussed, and that CALC is there to give support and guidance. The lack of attendance was referred to again. As CALC is a membership organisation, attendance is a voluntary.

6. Local Government Reorganisation (Guest Speaker Pat Graham CBC)

Pat Graham gave a presentation on Local Government Reorganisation
A Q&S session followed, and Pat clarified.

7. Geological Disposal Facility

Copeland & CALC are at the table about GDF, to see if it is possible. CALC have not been asked to form an opinion, they have been asked to be part of the process to see what is possible. AP is chair of Mid Copeland GDF. The aim is to see if it is possible. To proceed this has to be right for the area.

There are 4 Partnerships:

South Copeland

Mid Copeland

Allerdale

Theddlethorpe (Lincolnshire)

There have been no commitments from anyone. Discussions were held regarding GDF in general.

8. Any other relevant business

Active Sellafield transport plan – is there one which is active and working? There is a plan, changes have been made on numbers of vehicles and pick-up places - suggestion of a future meeting – Copeland BC need to enforce.

Public transport – needs improved.