

# Allhallows Parish Council

A meeting of the Allhallows Parish Council was held in the Allhallows Community Centre, Fletchertown, Aspatria on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2025 at 7.00pm.

PRESENT: Messrs. M. Abbott, J. Mansfield, J. Pegler, and S. Barton

Also, Present: T. Gear (Clerk)

Apologies: K. Thurlow (Cumberland Councillor)

Councillor M. Abbott in the Chair

## 83/2025 MEMBERS APOLOGIES

K. Faulder (illness) and G Marr (illness) had tendered their apologies which were accepted

## 84/2025 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

None.

## 85/2025 DISPENSATIONS

None.

## 86/2025 MINUTES

On the proposal of J. Pegler and seconded S. Barton it was RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> May 2025 be approved and signed as a correct record.

## 87/2025 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public present, and no matters were raised on their behalf

## 88/2025 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

There were no items on the agenda which required the exclusion of the press or public.

## 89/2025 CORRESPONDENCE

The following items of correspondence have been received since the last meeting and circulated to members for their information: -.

Various Cumberland Council Newsletters.

Connecting Cumbria Newsletter – May and June 2025

Cumbria Local Nature Partnership News and Recovery Strategy Public Consultation

Let's talk food and health - Wigton – 28.05.25

Planning Outreach Programme

EA Incidents – online reporting now available

New password for CALC

Save the Date – CALC AGM 4<sup>th</sup> October 2025

Future of Libraries Survey and Cumberland Libraries News

Waste Update: Countdown to waste collection changes

Digital Voice is coming to the Northwest – July 2025  
 CALC News March/April 2025  
 ACRE/NALC flooding survey  
 Meet your Community Panel members and Fells and Solway Community Panel meeting  
 30.06.25

#### 90/2025 CLERKS REPORT

The clerk gave a brief report on matters that had arisen since the last meeting which included: -

- i) He had completed the Allhallows Centre new booking form and noted an increase in fees.

#### 91/2025 ALLHALLOWS CENTRE

A written report had been received which was read. (copy attached)

#### 92/2025 CUMBERLAND COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

K. Thurlow had tendered his apologies. Members asked that a letter be sent to Councillor Thurlow asking that he was unable to attend that he forward a brief report for the meeting.

#### 93/2025 PLANNING MATTERS

(a) Applications for consultation

FUL/2025/0078	Change of use of agricultural land to residential Curtilage (retrospective) and erection of various buildings	No objections
HOU/2025/0109	Hill Top, Mealsgate, Wigton, CA7 1AH Replacement of single storey extensions with 2 storey extension and vehicular access to highway ! Criffel View, Aspatria, CA7 3SB	No Objections

(b) Decisions

FUL/2024/0239	Earth bank slurry lagoon with a liner and floating Cover Baggrow Farm, Aspatria, CA7 3QF	Approved with conditions
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(c) Appeals

None

(d) Planning related correspondence

None.

#### 94/2025 ACCOUNTS

i) The payment of the accounts since the last meeting were ratified, and remainder were approved for payment: -

Mike Dowling Cont. Ltd	Grass cutting (Mar./April)	£630.00
Water Plus	Water rates	£9.44
T Gear	Garden box	£190.00
T Gear	Allotment sign	£36.23
Unity Trust Bank	Service Charge	£6.00
T Gear	Drainage Pipe	£59.70
T. Gear	Clerks Account (May/June)	£583.95

HMRC	Income Tax (May/June)	£112.18
Water Plus	Water Rates	£27.23

ii) Balances as at

2.7.25	Current Account	£12,249.83
2.7.25	Deposit Account	£5,040.77

iii) The Certificate of Exemption from external audit had been received by the external auditor and unless there is objection before 12<sup>th</sup> July the audit for 2024/25 will be complete.

#### 95/2025 COUNCILLOR'S PORTFOLIO'S

- i) Allotments: M. Abbott said that the allotments were being worked but it had been necessary to send three letters to those which were overgrown.
- ii) Play Park: K. Faulder had tendered her apologies
- iii) Flooding: S. Barton stated that there were no issues and that she would complete the ACRE/NALC survey.
- iv) Outside bodies: J. Mansfield was unable to attend any outside bodies. The chair advised that S. Barton and herself were unable to connect to the recent meeting with the police.

#### 96/2025 HIGHWAY MATTERS

Members received an update from the clerk on the following highway matters: -

- i) Water across B5299 King Gate – Ditches have been cleared but problem remains. Clerk to advise highways. EI/238551
- ii) Speeding Mealsgate – Highways advise no further traffic calming measures are warranted at this time EI/244668
- iii) Street sign South View, Watch Hill – No response from highways EI/244665
- iv) Baggrow /Blennerhasset sign – No response from highways EI/244662
- v) Obscured, worn out signs and overhanging hedges Mealsgate – Being investigated EI/246061
- vi) Fibrus erected telegraph pole within highway limits Mealsgate – Highways say to complain to Fibrus EI/248806

#### 97/2025 UNTIDY SITE

An untidy site in Fletchertown was raised and there has been little improvement over the past months. The clerk to report to Environmental Health at Cumberland Council

#### 98/2025 RESTORATION OF THE BONFIRE SITE

This is an ongoing project, and more trees will be planted shortly.

#### 99/2025 GRIT BIN

The promised grit bin in Fletchertown has not materialized and the clerk was asked to chase

#### 100/2025 ODD JOBS IN THE PARISH

The Chair gave a verbal update on the work of the odd job person.

#### 101/2025 DOG FOULING

This remains a problem and there is an article in the latest newsletter.

102/2025 CLIMATE EMERGENCY

There was no new information.

103/2025 REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT - WIGTON BATHS

A letter had been received regarding the above. On the proposal of M. Abbot and seconded by S. Barton it was agreed to donate £75.00 to this worthy cause.

104/2025 ELECTORAL REVIEW OF CUMBERLAND COUNCIL

The draft recommendations have been circulated which are not easy to understand but it appears that part of Baggrow will remain in the Aspatria Ward whilst the rest of Baggrow, Watch Hill and Fletchertown will form a new ward with Bothel and Brigham. Members instructed the clerk to object to the proposal in the strongest terms.

105/2025 PROGRESS REPORTS

- (i) Any items for the next newsletter should be forwarded to the Clerk by 15th. October 2025 for delivery early November 2025.

106/2025 ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING

- Baggrow Loning
- Restoration of bonfire site
- Grit bin Fletchertown
- Highway matters
- Untidy Site – Fletchertown

107/2025 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2025 at Allhallows Centre, Fletchertown at 7.00pm**

The meeting closed at 7.55pm

Signed.....

Chair