

# Holme East Waver Parish Council

## DRAFT

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held in the Parish Hall, Newton Arlosh at 7-30 p.m. on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2025.**

Present: Hodgson (Chair)  
Councillors: Hopkinson, and Stockdale,  
Cumberland Cllr Markley  
Public attendance: None.  
Clerk: M Abbs

**1.1 Apologies** for absence and declarations of interest.  
Cllr Graham had sent his apologies via the Cllr Hodgson

### REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

The clerk to report any requests received since the previous meeting for dispensations to speak and/or vote on any matter where a member has a disclosable pecuniary interest.

No requests for dispensations were made.

### DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive declarations by elected and co-opted members of interests in respect of items on this agenda.

No declarations were made.

## 2 Minutes

**2.1 To approve** the draft minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Thursday 7th November 2024 – **approved and signed.**

## 3 Report on action taken...

3.1 ...by members of the Council

No matters were reported.

3.2 ...by the clerk

No matters were reported at this point.

3.3 **Public participation.** (At the chairman's discretion)

Cllr Markley gave his report and informed Cllrs that a general clean up of the wider area was being instigated by local businesses situated down the coast. A Boundary Review was being undertaken. A request for a Mayor for the area may be submitted to Central Government. This could result in additional funding for the area being made available.

He thought it was likely that car parking provision at Carlisle Hospital would be extended – to the benefit of visitors and workers.

The Authority was in the process of setting its budget for the next financial year.

He was questioned about the 'Saltcotes Dogs' issue. Cllr passed on some information to him. Cllr Hopkinson had some recent information which she was asked to forward to the clerk who could then pass it on to Cllr Markley and the Authority if appropriate.

He was thanked for his contribution and left the meeting.

## 4 Correspondence

To review correspondence received and take any appropriate action.

4.1 Royal British Legion thanks for donation.

The letter was **noted**.

4.2 Newton Arlosh PCC - Letter of thanks for the grant support.

The letter was **noted**.

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### 5 New business

5.1 Playground – report on developments since last meeting and current situation. Playground repair update.

Discussion of the Inspection Report. Possible approval of invoice for repairs.

The Inspection report had not yet been received. Cllrs were not aware of any urgent matters and there were no issues with the recent repairs.

5.2 Consideration of the Asset register and Risk Assessments.

These were considered fit for purpose and **approved unchanged**.

5.3 Audit arrangements for 2024/25.

The clerk reported that some information / instruction relating to the audit had been received. – **noted**.

5.4 Grasscutting – review of tenders and award of contract for 2025.

The submitted tender figures were examined and discussed. The tender for a 12 month period from Green Team Garden Services was unanimously accepted. The clerk was instructed to write accordingly to the contractors.

5.5 Parish/Parish Council website.

The clerk reported that the website was operational but had been a little slow on occasions. – **noted**.

5.6 Parish Plan.

Including discussion and action on:

Progress on speed warning indicators.

The clerk had contacted an officer at the Authority to obtain dates for a site meeting with Cllrs, who did not consider the proposed site for a SID to be viable. A response was awaited.

Historic Information Board.

The clerk had had a meeting at the Living Landscapes in Silloth who had assisted with the earlier text. A new version was given to Cllrs who would examine it and e-mail the clerk with their observations.

5.7 Village defibrillators.

The current situation concerning the deployment of the defibrillator to the village hall was discussed. Until the outcome of the road traffic accident damage was resolved the clerk felt it was not possible to take the question of Parish Council ownership of the device further. – **noted and agreed**.

### 6 Finance

#### 6.1 Information

6.1.1 To approve accounts to 30<sup>th</sup> November and possibly 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024 (available at the meeting). – **approved**.

6.1.2 Confirmation that the Precept has been submitted. Consideration of any budget/precept related correspondence.

The clerk advised that no additional correspondence had been received. - **noted**.

The clerk had submitted the Precept request. – **noted**.

#### 6.2 To approve the following payments.

6.2.1- Clerk: salary £428.61 + backpay £176.44 Total **£605.05 – approved**.

6.2.2 – Clerk: expenses: phone and broadband £55.02, postage £7.57 mileage 45 miles at 45p /mile £20.25 SLCC Contribution £75.00 Total **£157.84 – approved**.

6.2.3 Cumberland Council playground inspection - paid by clerk and re-claimed **£69.60**

Anticipated amount shown.

The invoice had not yet been received but Cllrs approved payment by the clerk if it was for the anticipated amount.

6.2.4 V Hodgson - Chairman's allowance **£60.00 – approved**.

### 7 Highways

7.1 Highways steward

No new issues were raised.

### 8 Planning.

8.1 Applications on which Cumberland Council decision is awaited.

None – **noted**.

8.2 Applications decided by Cumberland Council.

None – **noted**.

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### **8.3 Applications dealt with under standing order.**

None – **noted**.

### **8.4 Applications to be considered at this meeting.**

None – **noted**.

### **9.1 Documents received for comment.**

9.1.1 Cumberland Council budget consultation. – **noted without action**.

### **9.2 Documents received for information** (available on request to clerk)

9.2.1 CALC Circular for December.

9.2.2 Snowball - disability group app information.

9.2.3 Littlethorpe - street furniture information.

The above were **noted**.

### **10.1 Any information** brought by members of the Council.

No issues were raised but Cllrs were reminded to forward any information about the 'Saltcotes Dogs' to the clerk.

### **10.2 Any information** brought by Cumberland Councillor.

His report was given earlier.

### **10.3 Any information** from the clerk.

The clerk provided details of a request for grant assistance from the Cumbria Foundation that he had just received.

Cllrs did not want this to be included on the next agenda.

### **10.4 Police** report

No report or information had been received.

## **11 Meeting dates.**

**11.1** Date of next meeting **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2025 at 7. 30p.m in Newton Arlosh Village Hall**

**11.2** Future date: **Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2025 at 7.00p.m. in Newton Arlosh Village Hall**

The dates were noted and the Chair closed the meeting at 8-45 pm.