

IREBY AND ULDALE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Ireby and Uldale Parish Council held at the WI Hall, Ireby on Tuesday 5th November, 2024 commencing at 7.30 p.m.

Present:

K. Bridges (Chair)

R. Cockburn

A. Forrest

G. Moore

P. Normington

Also Present:

J. Perry, Cumberland Councillor

One parish member

J. Rae (Clerk)

55/24 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None received.

56/24 MINUTES – MEETING 3 SEPTEMBER 2024

The minutes of the meeting held on 3rd September, 2024 were agreed as a correct record and were signed by the Chair.

57/24 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST/REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

No declarations of interest were received.

No requests for dispensations were received.

58/24 REPORTS

- (a) The newsletter for the Cockermouth/Keswick area had been circulated by email.
- (b) Cumberland Councillor – Cllr J. Perry reported that the next Community Panel Network Event will be held in Cockermouth Rugby Club on 17th January focussing on active travel. Cllr Perry has asked for a representative from the Countryside Access Team and the Lake District National Park to attend. Cllr Perry advised she had attended the meeting with the LDNPA at Braithwaite on 11 September. Cllr Perry also reported that Cumberland Council is carrying out a consultation in relation to public transport. Public input on preferred destinations, frequencies, and travel times is needed to help determine future bus routes.

59/24 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The meeting was adjourned to allow members of the public the opportunity to raise any matters of interest.

A member of the public in attendance expressed an interest in the vacancy on the Parish Council.

A letter had been received from a parishioner raising concerns regarding HGVs using the Aughtertree road.

A parishioner had questioned why Cumberland Council had closed the U2127 near Uldale for up to two weeks to replace the cattle grid which is alloy and looks fine when the road either side of it is covered in potholes

The lack of comprehension of the size of the roads when diverting traffic was also discussed. Cllr Perry agreed to raise this with Cumberland Council.

The meeting was re-convened.

60/24 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MEETING 3 SEPTEMBER 2024

Uldale Speed Limit – Cumberland Council had confirmed that the request for a 30mph restriction is on their list for consideration when the review of speed limits takes place with the results supporting a 30mph limit, the average driver already travelling at 27-30mph through the village.

61/24 FINANCIAL MATTERS

- (a) A copy of the financial report had been circulated with the agenda.

Balances 31 October 2024

Current Account	£7,655.26
Savings Account	£7,042.31

- (b) Income received

Cumberland Council – Second Half Precept	£3000.00
Messrs Hayton – Rent of Parish Land	£ 28.00

- (b) Payment of Accounts

RESOLVED that the following account be authorised for payment:

J. Pattinson & Son – Grass Cutting 2024 Season £1740.00

62/24 BUDGET 2025-26

A draft budget had been circulated with the agenda. Members discussed the anticipated expenditure for financial year 2025-26. It was agreed to include £500 in the budget towards the costs that might potentially be incurred with the production of a parish plan. RESOLVED that the precept should remain at £6000.

63/24 PLANNING

- (a) Applications received:

Lake District National Park Authority:

7/2024/2192 - Whitefield Cottage, Ireby, Wigton, CA7 1HH

Proposal: Erection of a single-storey rear extension to tie into the northern elevation, and the replacement of the existing outbuildings at ground floor level, alterations to the existing garage and minor engineering works to the garden to form a patio area

Cumberland Council:

LBC/2024/0036 - 2 Moot Hall, Ireby CA7 1DU

Listed Building consent for the removal of non-original segmental pediment and architrave over doorway

FUL/2024/0210 - Newbiggin Grange, Torpenhow, Wigton, CA7 1JJ

Proposal: Ground mount system 60 x 440W Panels giving 23.4KWP, to replace existing approved roof mount system

- (b) Decisions:

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GRANTED

Cumberland Council:

HOU/2024/0109 - Lilac Cottage, Ireby, Wigton, CA7 1EA
Change existing rear flat roof to pitched, change existing rear window
configuration and move rear door GRANTED

LBC/2024/0036 - 2 Moot Hall, Ireby CA7 1DU
Listed Building consent for the removal of non-original segmental pediment
and architrave over doorway LBC GRANTED

64/24 HIGHWAYS/HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE

The following matters were reported:

Cllr. G. Moore reported that water is still running from the Daleside road despite Highways attending the area.

Cllr G. Moore reported that an outlet pipe at Low Longlands is discharging water onto the highway. Cllr Perry agreed to report this to Cumberland Council.

Cllr R. Cockburn reported a blocked drain on Snittlegarth lonning. The state of disrepair of Snittlegarth Lonning was also discussed. Cllr Cockburn advised that nothing had been done about the blocked drain outside Stonecroft, High Ireby.

The enquiry regarding the cattle grid had been raised with Cumberland Council by Cllr Perry. Highways had provided a response stating "The Cumberland Bridges and Structures Team (Central & South) has been undertaking the replacement of all the cattle grids on our network in the Allerdale and Copeland areas over the last few years. Some have been in great need of replacement, others have been less urgent, but have still needed to be brought up to the modern day standards. This exercise is almost complete, with only a few left to do. Regarding the condition of the carriageway, I believe that during this closure a Network team has attended site to infill potholes".

Members considered a parishioner's letter raising concerns regarding the speed of and number of HGVs using the Aughertree road on a daily basis. The letter detailed a recent incident and asked the Parish Council to consider this. The business owner had been approached and they had provided a response which was read out at the meeting. Both parties comments were noted by Members. Following further discussion it was agreed that this was not a matter for the Parish Council and any future incidents should be reported to the appropriate authorities.

65/24 PARISH PLAN/COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Cllr P. Normington brought Members up to date and provided an overview of the meeting held with ACT in early September. ACT had advised that the Parish Council should explore the creation of a Community Led Plan rather than a Neighbourhood Plan. It had been suggested that a weekend of community activities would be organised to reach out to different groups of people to raise awareness and establish the priorities for the Parish. The Globe Hall and WI Hall have been provisionally booked for 28 February to 2 March. It was resolved that the Parish Council is in full support of the production of a Parish Plan and agreed to commit £500 towards the potential costs involved. It was noted that match funding may be available from ACT.

66/24 WEBSITE/INTERNET DOMAIN/USE OF PERSONAL EMAIL ADDRESSES

CALC had circulated information from Active Council who are offering a .gov.uk domain and email setup. The Central Digital and Data Office provides £100 funding, covering the first year's costs, making the offer free for the first year. CALC have organised a training session on 13th November. Cllr P. Normington advised he would be attending the training session.

67/24 LDNPA MEETING

Members noted that an invitation had been received from the Lake District National Park Authority to attend a Meet and Greet event on Monday 11th November at Braithwaite Institute. Cllr P. Normington advised he would be attending. Cllr K. Bridges advised he may be able to attend.

68/24 APPOINTMENT OF NFG REPRESENTATIVE

The Trustees of the Northern Fells Group had asked for confirmation that the current nomination is willing to continue to represent the parish on the NFG Committee. Elspeth Alexander had confirmed that she would be willing to continue to represent the Parish.

69/24 LICENCE AGREEMENT – POST BOX, RUTHWAITE

Notification had been received that Royal Mail are proposing to install a post box next to the bus shelter at Ruthwaite to replace the old box that used to be located within the wall that was removed following damage caused to the wall. A Works Licence Agreement for consent to install the post box on the Parish land had been signed and returned. The licence gives permission for Royal Mail’s contractors to access the land and undertake the work.

70/24 VACANCIES

One expression of interest was received and will be considered at the next meeting.

71/24 CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence received since the last meeting had been circulated by email:

- CALC - Charge my Street Webinars
- Cumberland Council Road Closure - U2127 near Uldale - Cumberland Council 21.10.24
- NALC / CALC Financial Services Ombudsman Campaign survey
- LDNPA - Invite from the Lake District National Park Authority
- Cumberland Council - CAfS/Zero Carbon Cumbria Community Climate Grants
- CALC – AGM – Agenda and supporting papers
- Cumberland Council - Newsletters
- CALC - Launch of New Cumbria People and Nature Network Website
- CALC - Invite to Workshops for Cumbria LNRS Mapping
- CALC - Website training/information session
- CALC - Planning training
- Active Councils - Free .gov.uk Domain & Email Offer
- CALC – Local Government Services Pay Agreement 2024
- CALC - Environment and Climate for Cumberland Council
- CALC - Connecting Cumbria Newsletter October 2024
- CALC - Hyperfast GB Newsletter - Autumn 2024
- LDNPA Member’s Newsletter

72/24 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 7th January, 2025 - WI Hall Ireby – 7.30pm.
The meeting closed at 9.06 pm

Chairman Date