IREBY AND ULDALE PARISH COUNCIL

At the Annual Parish Meeting held at the WI Hall, Ireby on Tuesday 6th May, 2025 commencing at 7.30 p.m.

Present:

K. Bridges (Chair) J.W. Hall J. Logan G. Moore P. Normington Also Present: J. Perry, Cumberland Councillor Seven parish members J. Rae, Clerk

The Chair opened the meeting and welcomed everyone present.

1/25 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Cllr. R. Cockburn.

2/25 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 7th May, 2024 were approved as a correct record.

3/25 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION/OPEN SESSION

The following matters were raised:

United Utilities are in the process of applying for planning permission for their plans in relation to Crummock Water, Overwater, and Chapelhouse Reservoir. The proposals for Crummock have already been submitted , and have resulted in a storm of opposition, both local and further afield. There is a wealth of information on the website <u>friends of crummock.org</u> The documents relating to the proposals for Overwater and Chapelhouse Reservoir are not yet available on the LDNPA planning portal. But when they are, there is likely to be a relatively short window for response and comment. The proposed decommissioning and removal of Chapelhouse Reservoir is a major civil engineering project, and many of the serious issues raised in relation to the Crummock proposals will arise equally or perhaps even more acutely in relation to the Overwater/Chapelhouse proposals. Although United Utilities proposals have been in existence for a long time, and local consultation events have been held in the past, there appears still to be widespread local lack of knowledge about the project.

The resident asked if the United Utilities plans can:

(a) be raised at the Local Plan Event on 10 May and

(b) If the Parish Council will speedily arrange a separate event to establish the views of parishioners on the proposals, before submitting its response to the planning application as soon as the details are available on the LDNPA planning portal.

The resident was advised that it had been proposed to hold a separate meeting to gauge the views of the community before submitting a response to the LDNPA.

Thanks were recorded to Cllr Peter Normington for his efforts in the design and creation of the new improved website for the Parish Council.

The meeting closed at 7.50 pm.