

## **IREBY AND ULDALE PARISH COUNCIL**

At the Meeting of Ireby and Uldale Parish Council held at the WI Hall, Ireby on Tuesday 1 July 2025 commencing at 7.30 p.m.

Present:

G. Moore (Vice Chair)

P. Normington

Also Present:

Members of the public: Three

J. Rae (Clerk)

Cllr G. Moore in the Chair

### **26/25 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. K. Bridges, R. Cockburn and J.W. Hall.

The reasons for absence were noted and accepted.

An apology for absence was also received from J. Perry, Cumberland Councillor.

### **27/25 MINUTES – 6 MAY 2025**

As the meeting was not quorate the minutes of the Annual meeting held on 6 May 2025 will be agreed and signed at the next meeting.

### **28/25 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST/REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS**

None

### **29/25 REPORTS**

(a) The newsletter for the Cockermouth/Keswick area had been circulated prior to the meeting. Cllr. P Normington commented that according to the Police website no crimes had been reported in the area.

(b) Cllr J. Perry was not present.

### **30/25 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 their disappointment that a letter to the parish councillors had been shared with the public prior to the parish council meeting.

An enquiry had been received via the website regarding an overgrown hedge running along the lonning to the school in Ireby. It was established that the lonning is a public footpath. This matter will be reported to the Countryside Access Team at Cumberland Council.

A member of the public had raised concerns with the Monitoring Officer at Cumberland Council relating to a S137 donation granted by the Parish Council at the last meeting.

The meeting was re-convened.

### **31/25 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MEETING 6 MAY 2025**

Min Ref 21/25 – A letter had been received to thank the Parish Council for their generous donation towards replacing the lights for the Christmas tree in Ireby. However, for reasons outlined in the correspondence a decision had been made to return the donation. Members were assured that the Christmas Tree and Lighting Ceremony will go ahead for which Members expressed their thanks.

The Clerk reported that the Certificate of Exemption had been submitted to the External Auditors and the AGAR published on the website. Unless a member of the electorate raises an issue nothing further will be heard from the External Auditors.

## 32/25 FINANCIAL MATTERS

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

Balances 30 May 2025

Business Current Account	£8,960.49
Business Savings Account	£7,268.86

Money In:

HMRC – VAT Refund	£378.51
Ireby Xmas Lights – Donation Returned	£400.00

- (b) Payment of Accounts

The following accounts were presented for payment:

Clerk's account Quarter 1	£440.87
HMRC PAYE Quarter 1	£110.20
Clerk's expenses Quarter 1	£129.35
Replacement Defib Battery - Ireby	£267.60
Replacement Pads – Uldale	£111.00
Ireby Globe Hall – Room Hire	£ 13.50

## 33/25 PLANNING

- (a) Applications received:

Lake District National Park Authority:

7/2025/2109 - Limedale Farm, Udale, CA7 1DS

Proposal: Re-concreting yard area

For information –

7/2025/2101 - Limedale Farm, Udale, CA7 1DS

Proposal: Surfacing of a farm track

7/2025/2099 - Gate Farm, Uldale, Wigton, CA7 1HA

Proposal: Re-concreting yard and track area

Cumberland Council:

HOU/2025/0088 - Clynder, Ireby, Wigton, CA7 1DS

Proposal: Rear Extension and Alterations to rear roof

- (b) Decisions:

Lake District National Park Authority:

7/2025/2101 - Limedale Farm, Udale, CA7 1DS

Proposal: Surfacing of a farm track - NOI

7/2025/2099 - Gate Farm, Uldale, Wigton, CA7 1HA

Proposal: Re-concreting yard and track area – NOI

7/2024/2226 - Snittlegarth Farm, Ireby, Wigton, CA7 1HE

The proposed development is for five floor mounted solar panels to be installed on the north boundary of a currently farmed field. The development would not alter the change of use for the remainder of the parcel, the area under the panels would have to be maintained differently. This will equate to over 400m<sup>2</sup>, the remainder of the site area will be used for offsetting the plantation of trees for BNG purposes

GRANTED

Cumberland Council:

HOU/2025/0088 - Clynder, Ireby, Wigton, CA7 1DS

Proposal: Rear Extension and Alterations to rear roof GRANTED

### **34/25 HIGHWAYS/HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE**

Cllr G. Moore reported that Cllr R. Cockburn had advised that no action had been taken to resolve the issues with the drains at High Ireby and there are two pot holes on the High Ireby to Ruthwaite road.

Cllr G. Moore advised he had reported the issue with the drains at Aughertree which had previously been reported. An issue with the drain below Croft House had also been reported.

A report had been received that the road surface on the hill leading down to the crossroads in Uldale is deteriorating.

Cllr P. Normington reported that the road surface on the Torpenhow lanning towards New Park is wearing away.

### **35/25 COMMUNITY LED PLAN**

Cllr P. Normington reported that the drop-in session held on 10 May had been a success with over 50 people attending and lots of suggestions put forward. By the end of the day, 13 people had expressed an interest in taking the Community-Led Plan forward. Two meetings had been held on 2 and 16 June, and agreement had been reached to take the Plan forward with a Chair, Treasurer and Secretary appointed to a Steering Group. To meet the costs involved in producing the Plan, £500 has been ring-fenced by the Parish Council with match funding of £500 awarded from ACT, of which 75% (£375) has been requested by the Parish Council at present.

The email from the Development Officer at ACT regarding working with the Parish Councillors to gather views and information relevant to the Lake District Local Plan and how the Local Plan meets the Parish's needs was discussed. ACT has already been working with the School and will be engaging with the WI and Globe Hall. It was agreed to defer a decision on how to progress this to the next meeting.

### **36/25 BUS SERVICE**

This item was deferred until the next meeting.

### **37/25 TREE MAINTENANCE**

A decision on this item was deferred to the next meeting.

### **38/25 DEFIBRILLATORS – IREBY AND ULDALE**

It was noted that a replacement battery had been purchased for the defibrillator in Ireby and the pads for the defibrillator in Uldale will expire in September. It was also noted that there is an issue with the light in the cabinet at Ireby. A decision whether the cabinet should be replaced was deferred to the next meeting.

### **39/25 CUMBERLAND WARD BOUNDARY REVIEW - DRAFT RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Local Government Boundary Commission for England has published the draft recommendations for new wards, ward boundaries, and ward names for Cumberland Council. The LGBC are now inviting comments on the recommendations. The consultation closes on **11 August 2025**. <https://www.lgbce.org.uk/all-reviews/cumberland> Ireby and Uldale Parish will fall into the Buttermere, Bassenthwaite & Caldbeck Ward.

### **40/25 DONATION REQUEST – WIGTON BATHS TRUST**

The request for financial assistance was deferred to the next meeting.

### **41/25 FREQUENCY MEETINGS**

A decision on the frequency of meetings will be agreed at the next meeting. Although it was felt that there is insufficient business to warrant monthly meetings. Any urgent matters can be circulated and responded to by email.

#### **42/25 CORRESPONDENCE**

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

CALC - Dementia Action Week 19 – 23 May  
CALC - BT Digital Voice is coming to the North West July 2025 Roadshows  
CALC - Future of Libraries Survey – It was noted the survey closes on 4 July 2025  
CALC - The Big Lunch 2025  
CALC - Appointment of a Treasurer for the CALC Board  
Wigton Baths Trust - Open Meeting Invite  
CALC - Cumberland Ward Boundary Review - Draft Recommendations  
CALC - Volunteer Week 1 - 7 June 2025  
CALC - Online Banking Event  
CALC News - March to April 2025  
Cumberland Council Newsletters  
CALC - EA Incidents - online reporting now available  
CALC - Cumbria Local Nature Recovery Strategy Public Consultation

#### **43//25 PARISH MATTERS/ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA**

Online Banking  
Resignation Cllr J. Logan

#### **44/25 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 2 September, 2025 - WI Hall Ireby 7.30pm

#### **45/25 VACANCY/CO-OPTION OF NEW COUNCILLOR**

This item was deferred until the next meeting.

The meeting closed at 8.35 pm

Chairman ..... Date .....