

Ennerdale & Kinniside Parish Council

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

Held on 15th July 2025 at 6.30pm in The Gather, Ennerdale Bridge

Present: Cllr J Thursz (Chair), Cllr C Ayling, Cllr M Lachlan, Cllr R Maxwell (RM), Cllr R Outhwaite (RO), Cllr S Parker (SP), Cllr B Wright (BW).

Clerk: J Ollerenshaw (JO).

Members of the public: 3

Meeting Started: 18:30

Minute Number	Item	Action
1175/07/25	Apologies Resolved to accept the apologies and approve the absences of Cllr Guise.	
1176/07/25	Declarations of Interest None.	
1177/07/25	To approve the minutes of the meeting of 20/05/2025 Resolved to approve the minutes.	JO
1178/07/25	To approve the minutes of the extraordinary meeting of 29/05/25 Resolved to approve the minutes.	JO
1179/07/25	Exclusion of press and public. Resolved to exclude the press and public from item 26 as this concerned a confidential staff contract.	
1180/07/25	Reports from invited speakers None present. The Clerk reported that there was an open session to be held in The Gather for the next two days by the Coast to Coast team from the LDNP, to put forward their plans for the next phase of the project.	
1181/07/25	Report from Cumberland Councillor. Not present, no report received.	
1182/07/25	Clerk's Updates I. The external auditors had acknowledged receipt of the exemption certificate. II. Insurance required quotes for the replacement sign III. Moo-moo bridge was expected to be closed mid to end of August, but dates were approximate. IV. 5 FOIA requests had been received in one day, from one person. The responses would be issued today. SP asked if the action sheet could be circulated more quickly after a meeting and the Clerk said that she would do this with the minutes.	JT JO JO
1183/07/25	Councillor Updates I. Emergency Plan. Cllr Guise had submitted a written update. It was requested and agreed that the Council writes to the local resilience manager to invite him to a meeting. II. Dark Skies. BW said that the lights on Ehen Garth were now working. The representative from Home Group had explained that the change to different lights was dependent on funding, but would continue to be considered.	JO

	<p>III. Community Led Plan. An advert had been placed in the contact magazine, but there had been no responses. RO would put some questions together and seek engagement at the Ennerdale Show. ML asked if Fibrus would be affecting the phonebox outside the school. He was concerned that this was part of the school's emergency led plan. JT would speak to Fibrus.</p> <p>IV. Regen. Nothing to report.</p> <p>V. Neighbourhood Policing. BW had spoken to the police about speeding and they were suggesting a neighbourhood speedwatch. Councillors thought that the SID captured all of the data, so a separate speedwatch campaign seemed pointless. ML said that previously the Council had engaged with Sellafield who had put a clause into contractors' terms that they were not allowed to use the fell road. It was agreed that if a speedwatch was needed to progress this it would be done. BW to contact the police.</p> <p>VI. Wild Ennerdale. Nothing to report.</p>	<p>RO</p> <p>JT</p> <p>BW</p>
1184/07/25	<p style="text-align: center;">Public Participation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A member of the public raised the matter of the electoral ward boundary changes. They were concerned that Lamplugh would be in a different Cumberland ward to Ennerdale & Kinniside. There were no strong views held by councillors, so it was suggested that they respond as individuals by the deadline of August 11th if they wished to. The Clerk would re-send the email. 	JO
1185/07/25	<p style="text-align: center;">Planning responses under delegated authority</p> <p>I. The Clerk was asked to insert the description into the spreadsheet.</p> <p>II. The Clerk was asked that no-comment responses were submitted if that was the majority comment, rather than not submitting a comment.</p> <p>III. For future delegated planning the Clerk was asked to steer councillors towards the expected responses.</p>	<p>JO</p> <p>JO</p> <p>JO</p>
1186/07/25	<p style="text-align: center;">Response to consultation on woodland management plan</p> <p>Resolved that a response sent to thank them for the opportunity, but that the Council had no comments to make</p>	JO
1187/07/25	<p style="text-align: center;">Review of Standing Orders</p> <p>Some councillors had experienced difficulties in reading the documents, so this item was deferred until the next meeting.</p>	
1188/07/25	<p style="text-align: center;">Financial Regulations</p> <p>Some councillors had experienced difficulties in reading the documents, so this item was deferred until the next meeting.</p>	
1189/07/25	<p style="text-align: center;">Asset register</p> <p>The value of the bus shelter was queried. The Clerk said that this was the figure that was listed since 2018. Resolved to accept the asset register.</p>	
1190/07/25	<p style="text-align: center;">Insurance cover levels</p> <p>Resolved to accept the levels of cover.</p>	
1191/07/25	<p style="text-align: center;">Press & social media policy</p> <p>Resolved to adopt the revised policy.</p>	JO
1192/07/25	<p style="text-align: center;">Grant requests</p>	

	Two applications had been received. There was discussion about the specification of works for the church application for the sports committee, what percentage of children were from our parish. Resolved to defer both applications until the next meeting. Councillors were asked to submit questions to the Clerk for her to compile a request for information to both applicants.	ALL JO																				
1193/07/25	ACRE/NALC flooding survey Resolved That this would tie in with the emergency plan and so that group would take on this task.	SP/SG																				
1194/07/25	Call for sites Resolved to defer to the next meeting for councillors to consider any sites they feel need to be included.	ALL																				
1195/07/25	APPG Call for evidence Resolved that no response is submitted																					
1196/07/25	Payments for approval Resolved to agree the schedule of payments <table border="1" data-bbox="300 689 1331 891"> <tr> <td>Clear Insurance Management Ltd</td> <td>Insurance</td> <td>£ 582.27</td> <td>000739</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cumberland Council</td> <td>Election Costs</td> <td>£ 2,882.39</td> <td>000740</td> </tr> <tr> <td>J Ollerenshaw</td> <td>Expenses</td> <td>£ 52.05</td> <td>000741</td> </tr> <tr> <td>J Ollerenshaw</td> <td>Wages</td> <td>£ 850.46</td> <td>000742</td> </tr> <tr> <td>HMRC</td> <td>PAYE</td> <td>£ 212.40</td> <td>000743</td> </tr> </table>	Clear Insurance Management Ltd	Insurance	£ 582.27	000739	Cumberland Council	Election Costs	£ 2,882.39	000740	J Ollerenshaw	Expenses	£ 52.05	000741	J Ollerenshaw	Wages	£ 850.46	000742	HMRC	PAYE	£ 212.40	000743	JO
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1197/07/25	Quarterly budget comparison As this was early in the year only £979.65 of the budget of £16,935.00 had been spent. Resolved to note receipt of the report.																					
1198/07/25	Councillor matters BW asked for an update on road markings. The Clerk advised that it still showed as assigned to a Highways team. BW would continue to push for a dog waste bin. RM said that he had reported the overgrown hedges and Cumberland Council were trying to contact the landowners. JT had been advised that the hedges needed to be reduced in height and shaped. He had spoken to The Gather and Fibrus. Fibrus have a grant available and may be able to contribute £500 towards an emergency generator point as part of the emergency plan. RM would speak to the Gather and get a quote. JT would also bring back proposals for Bridge Park to a future meeting.	BW RM JT																				
1199/07/25	Date of the next meeting Confirmed as 16 th September 2025																					
	Members of the public left the meeting																					
1200/07/25	A recommendation from the staffing committee Resolved to accept the recommendation to update the wording of the Clerk's contract to align with the latest holiday legislation.																					

Meeting closed at 20.21

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