

## LANGWATHBY PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the 'Virtual' Meeting Held on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2021  
commencing at 7.30pm.

**1/21 Apologies**

There were none.

**2/21 Present**

Cllrs: Mr. I Harrington, (in the Chair), Miss K Little, Mr. J Corbishley Mr. T Anderson, Mr. D Banks, Mr. C Eland, Mr. M Holliday, Mrs. C Merrie, Mr. C Wilson, County Cllr Ms. C Driver and Mr. J Fleming (Clerk).

**3/21 Minutes**

The Chairman was unanimously authorised to sign the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2020 as a true record  
Proposed by Cllr D Banks  
Seconder by Cllr C Eland

**4/21 Declarations of Interest**

Cllrs K Little and I Harrington, declared their positions as Langwathby Village Hall Committee representatives

**5/21 Public Participation - There was none.**

**6/21 County Councillor Report**

A summarized report was made to the meeting, however a detailed, monthly County Councillor report, can be found on the website [www.langwathby.org](http://www.langwathby.org).

**7/21 District Councillor Report**

- 7.1** There was not a lot to report due to the festive break. The next full Council meeting to be called for February.
- 7.2** A 'Virtual' forum of all organization involved with the homeless in Cumbria had taken place, which Doug had been very impressed with. It was reported that there are no rough sleepers, currently, in Cumbria.
- 7.3** Plans were in progress for converting Voreda House to 'No carbon footprint'
- 7.4** Reported that the 2021 National Census will take place in March – somehow!

**8/21 Finance (All figure include Vat)**

**8.1 The Following Balances Were Noted as at 11<sup>th</sup> January 2021**

	£
Penrith Building Society	16049.24
Barclays	389.42
Vat to be claimed	1452.34
Village Hall to refund	<u>80.17</u>
Total Cash	17971.18

The Interim Set of Accounts were unanimously approved.

Proposed by Cllr C Merrie. Seconded by Cllr K Little

**8.2 The Following Accounts Were Ratified**

Clerk's Office Provision November/ December	30.00
External Audit	240.00
N Preston – End season grass payment	487.50
Opus Energy VH	36.06
Opus Energy VH	48.12
Cumbria County Council Langwathby Map	6.00
Viking – Paper	15.42
Cartridge People – Toner	42.99
GCA – Webdesign – Hosting to 5/1/2022	30.00
Arrigons Voucher – G. Anderson – Web Services	50.00
Zoom Fee to CPC. July/Aug/Sept/Oct.4 months @ £6	24.00
Zoom Fee to CPC. Nov/Dec.2 months @ £6	12.00
Opus Energy	48.12

**8.3 The Following Payments Were Approved**

Clerks Expenses – 12/11/20 - 21/1/2021	13.78
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**8.4 To Approve Accounts Ratified and Payments**

8.2 and 8.3 were unanimously approved  
Proposed by Cllr T Anderson  
Seconded by Cllr C Merrie

**8.5 The Following Receipts Were Noted.**

Village Hall Reimbursement	26.43
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**9.21 Planning Matters –**

20/0902 – Land at Langwathby Hall Farm. Langwathby. Penrith - Variation of conditions 2 (plans compliance) to replace semi-detached bungalows on plots 14 and 15 with one detached bungalow Supported

20/0957 – 9 Low Mill. Langwathby. Penrith - Two storey side extension and single storey rear extension with associated internal alterations. Objected

20/0992 – Inglebeck Edenhall Penrith - Single storey side extension to dwelling to provide kitchen and family room No comment

**10/21 Highways and Land Matters**

**10.1 Cemetery Entrance Issue** – Matter is on hold until the spring

**10.2 Dolphenby Crossroad Road Markings** – Work completed

**10.3 Langwathby Hall Farm –Engineering Business.** An enforcement notice, relating to this development is still being investigated by EDC Planning Services

**10.4 Community Fibre Partnership Edenhall.** – It was reported: -

10.4.1 Negotiations with BT Openreach were ongoing.

10.4.2 Approaching 60 properties had expressed firm support for the project.

10.4.3 The estimated project cost being approximately £136,000; however, it was estimated that there was likely to be, up to a £15,000 shortfall, which would require an underwriter. This was an unresolved issue.

10.4.4 If the Openreach negotiations failed, a possible option was to approach B4RN to investigate a whole Parish B4RN project involving both Langwathby and Edenhall; involving, to date an interest of approximately 100 households in total.

**10.5 Provision of Fibre Broadband to Langwathby** – It was reported: -

**10.5.1** There are 38 positive responses for Langwathby village. With 295 properties in the Langwathby Ward this represents a 13% interest; B4RN will only proceed with a 40% take up

**10.5.2** The situation is on hold due to insufficient uptake.

- 10.6 Langwathby Traffic Issues.** – In hand with Highways
- 10.7 Henderson Lane Refurbishment** – Matter is on hold until weather improves.
- 10.8 Village Hall – Access to new car park** – In hand. Planned for mid-winter.
- 10.9 Drainage Issue ‘Lane End’ Edenhall.** – Reported that whilst work has been done the problem has not been completely solved.  
**Action:-** To discuss the issue further with Edenhall Estates.
- 10.10 1 and 2 Moss Side, Edenhall.** It was reported that the pothole had been repaired and that the damaged Utilities cover had been reported.
- 10.11 Edenhall Footway Light** – Reported that Light No. 3, outside of the Old Vicarage, Edenhall was not working.  
**Action :-** To report to EDC.
- 10.12 Langwathby Green – Wild Flower Establishment.**  
 Following a site meeting with Councilors, it was suggested that an area, beneath the canopy of three of the groups of trees on the green be dedicated to the encouragement of wild flowers. This was unanimously agreed, subject to the decision being reviewed, at a future date if deemed necessary. It was agreed that the areas would be roped off prior to the first grass cut of the season.
- 10.13 Langwathby Bus Shelter Gutter** – Reported that the matter is in hand.
- 10.14 Grass Cutting Contract:** - It was agreed that invites to tenders for grass cutting of the Langwathby and Edenhall Village Greens, for the 2021 Season, with the option of a 3-year contract, be advertised. With tenders to be submitted to the Parish Clerk, in a sealed envelope, by 12 noon Friday 12th February 2021
- 10.15 Edenhall War Memorial** – Cllrs J Corbishley and T Anderson kindly offered to take steps to clean this Grade 2 listed memorial, in accordance with the agreed procedures laid down by Historic England, War Memorial Trust.  
 The Council agreeing to cover any cleaning equipment and material costs.
- 10.16 Langwathby War Memorial** – Cllr D Banks kindly offered to see what maintenance was required on this Memorial and to report back to a later meeting.
- 10.17 Langwathby Swing Seat** – It was reported that one of the Basket Seats on the swings was in need of replacement.  
**Action :-** Agreed to request a replacement cost from ‘Wicksteed’
- 10.18 A Pandemic Thank You** – It was reported that a ‘Thank You’ and note of appreciation had been sent to a number of businesses and support personnel, for the service they had provided, in very difficult circumstance, to the community, over the last 9 months, in respect of the Covid – 19 pandemic.

#### 11/21 Councillor Matters

- 11.1 Drain Opposite Langwathby Chapel** – Reported that water from this drain was lifting the tarmac  
**Action :-** To report to Highways.
- 11.2 Village Hall Roof Replacement** – Concern was raised over the lack of progress that was being made on this project. It was suggested that, possibly, a professional fund raiser be engaged to assist in acquiring the necessary funds to complete the project.  
**Action :-** Agreed to set up a ‘virtual’ meeting with the Village Hall committee to agree a way forward.
- 11.3 Village Hall Boon Day** – It was suggested that a ‘Boon’ day be organized to tidy up the Village Hall and its surrounds.  
**Action :-** To discuss the idea with the Village Hall Committee, with view to setting a date, later in the Spring, when the weather improves.
- 11.4 Light Out – Back road Langwathby, by corner of Coxen Lane.**  
**Action :-** Report to Eden District Council

- 11.5 Salkeld Road - Parking** on both sides of road, just past school.  
Noted that while this was causing an inconvenience, there were no parking restrictions on this section of road, if an obstruction was being caused it was a police matter and not within the jurisdiction of the Parish Council.
- 11.6 Edenhall Drainage Issues.**  
**11.6.1** It was reported that whilst Highways had attended to the road flooding Problem, past the entrance to the Sports Field, the matter, still, was not totally resolved.  
**11.6.2** It was further reported that flooding was happening on both sides of the road on the approach to Edenhall from the west entrance from the A686, between the junction and the Dolphenby junction, 200-300 yards past the A686 junction, by the houses on the righthand side of the road.  
**Action :-** To report both issues to Highways.

## 12/21 Correspondence

The following items of key correspondence received since the last meeting was reported.

- 12.1 Police and Crime Commissioner and Cumbria Constabulary**  
Public consultation survey. <https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/MROW5H/>
- 12.2 Community Groups Thank You** – From numerous County organisations.
- 12.3 Covid – 19 Related E mails – X 9, Forwarded to Councilors.**
- 12.4 Update on Local Government Reorganization in Cumbria**
- 12.5 EALC - Nature Recovery Event**
- 12.6 Updates from Health Protection Board** – Numerous.
- 12.7 EDC Draft Housing Strategy**
- 12.8 Cumbria County Council Supporting Eden Over Christmas**
- 12.9 Cumbria Arts and Culture Network Newsletters**
- 12.10 Minister for Local Government** - Letter from Robert Jenrick
- 12.11 Covid-19 Community Leaders Pack**
- 12.12 EDC Lighting Maintenance and Electricity; 2021/22 charges.**
- 12.13 Apple Tree Top side of Green** – A request had been received for this tree to be pruned regularly, in view of the ‘Canker’ present. Following the taking of professional advice, the Council unanimously confirmed that it was not their policy to prune a tree on a regular basis and whilst this tree did have canker, it was not serious enough to take action at present; however, the Council would monitor the situation with a view to reconsidering this decision in a few years’ time, should it be considered necessary.
- 12.14 Edenhall Church Gate** – A letter had been received from Edenhall PCC. The Parish Council responding that the matter was not within its jurisdiction.
- 12.15 Ivy Cottage, Langwathby** – A few Parishioners had approached the Council regarding renovation work that was taking place at this address. Following investigation, it had been concluded that the concerns raised were neighbour concerns and not a matter for the Parish Council to become involved in.
- 12.16 Geoff Anderson** – A thank you had been received for the Christmas voucher in respect of website support.

## 13/21 Dates of Forthcoming Meetings 2021

18<sup>th</sup> March. (In the current Covid – 19 circumstances it is expected that this will be held as a ‘Virtual’ meeting.)  
 Future dates for 2021, 13<sup>th</sup> May – Annual Parish Meeting and AGM  
 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 9<sup>th</sup> September, 11<sup>th</sup> November  
 Venues Langwathby Village Hall - back room. commencing at 7.30pm, subject to Covid - 19 regulations.

The Chairman thanked all for participating and closed the meeting at 8.50 pm.

Signed

Date