# LANGWATHBY PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting Held on Thursday 21st September 2023 in the Village Hall commencing at 7.30pm.

Unapproved

#### 62/23 Apologies

Cllrs D Banks, C Henderson, M Holliday

#### 63/23 Present

Cllrs, K Little (Chair), C Merrie, C Wilson, J Hodgson, J Corbishley, C Eland.

WAFC Cllrs M Hanley and M Robinson.

There were no members of the public present.

#### 64/23 Minutes

The Chairman was unanimously authorized to sign the minutes of the 20th July 2023 meeting, as a true record

Proposed by Cllr K Little. Seconded by Cllr C Merrie

#### 65/23 Declarations of Interest

Cllrs K Little, C Wilson and J Hodgson declared their positions on Langwathby Public Hall Committee

Cllr. C Eland declared his position on the Langwathby Village Hall Renovation Committee.

#### 66/23 Public Participation

There was none.

#### 67/23 Westmorland and Furness Councilor's Reports

Reports from Westmorland and Furness Councilor's Cllr Michael Hanley and Mary Robinson were presented to the meeting. full reports are available on www.langwathby.org

#### 68/23 Finance

68.1	To note the following balances:	£
	Penrith Building Society	20605.23
	Barclays	5426.50
	Vat to be claimed	524.06
	Village Hall to refund	78.97
	Total Cash	26634.76

#### **Presentation and Approval of Interim Accounts** 68.2

These were unanimously adopted. Proposer Cllr K Little

Seconder Cllr C Merrie

# 68.3 The Following Accounts Since 20th July 23 were Ratified

Clerk Fee July/August	866.66
Clerk Office Provision July/August 2023	50.00
Room Hire 20/7/23	22.50
Opus Energy VH	82.92
Postage	1.90
Stationary	5.90

#### 68.4 Agreed the following Payments

Clerks Expenses 20/7/23 - 21/9/23	15.90
GM&JC Farish- Cemetery Mole catching	100.00

#### 68.5 To Authorize Items 68.3 and 68.4

Proposer Cllr C Wilson Seconder Cllr J Corbishley.

### **68.6** External Audit. – Approved.

#### 69/23 Planning Matters

70.7

There were none

#### 70/23 Highways and Land Matters

# 70.1 Back Lane Light – Langwathby

A wayleave issue –. The Parish Council is now in direct communication with the Business Support Manager at Electricity North West.

## 70.2 Edenhall Roadside Drainage and Flooding Issues.

This matter is still ongoing.

#### **70.3** Ladies Walk – Footpath Signs

Reported that the signs have been ordered and was awaiting installation by contractors.

#### 70.4 Langwathby Bridge – Cycling Signage and Road Markings.

The agreed work has been approved for completion in the 2023/24 financial year.

#### 70.5 Knotweed - Edenhall

Reported that area involved was approximately 1 hectare, located about 800m from any property. Control was the responsibility of the landowner on which the plant was growing.

Exact clarification of the species involved and recommended control measures was being investigated.

# 70.6 Langwathby Town Head Farm Corner A686/ Back Lane Flash Flooding - In hand with Highways.

Ragwort – By Langwathby Bridge.

Reported that Highways had attended to the issue.

#### 70.8 Langwathby War Memorial Flower Planters.

Reported that a Parishioner had kindly agreed to take over this responsibility from Cllr C Merrie.

**70.9** Langwathby Village Green – Unanimous authorization was granted to plant daffodils around trees opposite shop and to cover any costs involved.

#### 71/23 Langwathby Village Hall Renovation Project

An update on the project was reported to the meeting.

# 72/23 Correspondence, Notices and Publications

The following had been received since the last meeting.

- **72.1 E Mail 17 Forwarded to Councillors** since 20<sup>th</sup> July meeting, kept for a year.
- **72.2** A 'Hedgehog Highway- Project' Reported. Councillors chose not to become involved but to forward the information to the school for their consideration.
- **72.3 Westmorland and Furness Counc**il have announced that they have secured an additional £400,000 of funding for the Westmorland and Furness Climate and Nature Partnership Grant taking this fund to a total of £900,000.

This fund has been developed in recognition that in Westmorland and Furness there are a number of partnerships working together to take action on: -

- Mobilise action within the community for Climate Change and Nature Enhancement
- Tackle climate change
- Enhance biodiversity
- Restoring natural habitats
- Improving water quality
- Promote community engagement and participation in environmental and sustainability projects.
- **72.4 49th AGM** of the Cumbria Association of Local Councils takes place on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September at the Rheghed Centre, Penrith.

#### 73/23 Councillor Matters

An opportunity for Councilors to raise issues on behalf of residents.

Note: no decisions can be made on these matters but they may be placed on a future.

**73.1** Langwathby Bridge - Metal Plate at Langwathby end of the bridge was loose.

**Action:** - To report to Highways.

**73.2** Water Leak Reported – On road on the top side of Langwathby Village Green.

Action: - To report to United Utilities.

#### 74/23 Dates of the next meetings-

Venues Langwathby Village Hall, Back Room, commencing at 7.30pm 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2023

The meeting closed at 8.25pm.

Signed	 
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