

# LANGWATHBY PARISH COUNCIL

## REPORT FOR 2012-13

*Dear Parishioner,*

*Here is a brief account of what your Parish Council has been doing over the last year. We hope you find it interesting.*

*Residents of Edenhall and Langwathby are always welcome at our meetings and we invite you to raise any matters of concern.*

*We are always open to suggestions for improving local services.*

*Mr W Mounsey, Chairman*

### **New Councillor for Edenhall**

The Parish Council are very pleased to have co-opted Mrs Paula Williams onto the Parish Council this year. Mrs Williams fills the Edenhall vacancy.



### **Jubilee Celebrations**

The Diamond Jubilee celebrations in Langwathby were enjoyed by many residents from Edenhall and Langwathby, as well as visiting friends. The Parish Council would like to thank all those who helped to produce and organise such a range of wonderful events, from It's a Knockout, Celebration Church Service,

BBQ, Jubilee Quiz, Ceilidh and the torch lit procession. It was great to see all ages joining together and having such fun to celebrate a great occasion. A truly memorable day.

### **Recycling**

The volume of waste recycled at the Village Hall recycling centre has contributed £925.00 to Parish Council funds. This amounts to a reduction of 26% on 2011/12 contributions due to the introduction of Eden District Council's kerb collection scheme. We urge parishioners to continue to support the recycling centre where possible. Thank you.

### **Roads and Footpaths**

Various issues have been raised with Cumbria County Council and remedied during the year as a result of the Parish Council's actions, including improvements to the drains along Salkeld Road and Culgaith Road, as well as the condition of the road surfaces and pavements around the parish. Planned works to improve the visibility at the junction U3063 and A686 at Edenhall should be completed during this financial year.

### **Registration of river adjacent to Langwathby Bridge as a village green**

We are grateful for Mr R Wager's successful application to Cumbria County Council to register the stretch of river next to the bridge as a village green. Signs marking the parish fishing boundary are to be erected for the start of the course fishing season.

### **Grants**

We have made grants to a number of local activities, including The Fellrunner Village Bus (£300), The Memo (£220) and £200 each to Edenhall and Langwathby Parochial Church Councils for churchyard maintenance. We have received grants of £150 from Eden

Housing Association for a replacement tennis net and winder handle and a grant of £500 from Eden District Council's Community Fund to purchase bunting used for the Jubilee Celebrations and May Day Celebrations.

### Thank you

Thank you to all who help keep our villages looking attractive, whether it is looking after the recycling centre, the cemetery, the Memorial Garden, the village greens and seats, the sports ground or the bus shelters. Also, to those who give their time to running the Village Hall and the many clubs and activities that are held there for the benefit of the community. A lot of quiet work goes on behind the scenes and helps make the community of Langwathby and Edenhall what it is.

### Planning

The Council has made comments on 18 planning applications during the year. We have made recommendations to Eden District Council on the Eden Local Plan Consultation and review of its provision of footway lighting.

### Finance

The Parish "precept" (the Parish Council's share of the Council Tax) was set at £12,417 for 2013/14.

The following is a summary of the Council's accounts for the year to 31 March 2013 (previous year's figures in blue type):-

<b>RECEIPTS</b>	£	£
Precept	11,500	11,500
Village Hall Committee	10,719	7,567
VAT recovered	653	634
Cemetery fees	300	900
Recycling credits	1230	925
Other income	278	1670
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>24,650</b>	<b>23,846</b>

### PAYMENTS

Village Hall	7,860	6,415
Insurance	1,380	1,020
Administration	3,071	2,968
Village maintenance	2,348	2,812
Grants made	600	300
Cemetery	65	211
Loan repayment	7,452	7,452
S.137	685	620
Other payments	221	0
VAT	492	558
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>24,168</b>	<b>22,374</b>

The balance carried forward at the yearend is £8595.

We are grateful to Mrs Sandra Harrison for undertaking the internal audit of the Council's accounts. The external auditor is BDO LLP.

### Parish Councillors 2012/13

#### **Edenhall:**

Mrs P Williams, Edenhall Country Hotel;  
Mr W. H. Benn, 1 The Courtyard; Mr I.S. Harrington, 20 Salkeld Road, Langwathby; Mr W.F. Mounsey (Chairman), The Luham.

#### **Langwathby:**

Mr D.H.Banks (Vice-Chairman), The New Mill; Mr J.M.Holliday (District Councillor), Townhead Farm; Mr P.M.Jackson, Powley's Farm; Mr G.C.Little, Auchenbrae, Salkeld Road; Mrs C.Merrie, Caroline Cottage, Back Lane; Mr S.J. Peet, Keystones.

#### **Parish Clerk:**

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