

WAVERTON PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting
held Thursday 18th May, 2024 at 7.30 p.m.

- 1/24 Election of the Charman for the Council Year 2024-25**
Cllr Huntington was elected Chair of the Council for 2024/25
- 2/24 To receive the Chairmans Declaration of Acceptance of Office**
Cllr Huntington signed the declaration of office
- 3/24 Election of Vice-Chair for the Council Year 2024-25**
Item deferred to a future meeting
- 4/24 In attendance**
Cllrs Girvan, Huntington, Sparks, Graham, Paterson & Peile
- 5/24 Apologies**
Cllr Wharton
Cllr Lynch (Cumberland Council)
- 6/24 To Approve the minutes of the meeting held on 22nd February, 2024**
The minutes were approved and duly signed by the Chair
- 7/24 Declarations of Interests, Members and Officers to give notice of interest on items on the agenda**
None
- 8/24 Dispensations**
None
- 9/24 Exclusion of Press and Public**
None
- 10/24 Public Participation**
10.1 To receive any representations form members of the public - None
10.2 To receive a report from Cllr Lynch of Cumberland Council - None (apologies received)
10.3 To receive a report from the WBJC – Precept for 2024/25 increased to move ahead with planned improvements. Cemetery entrance to be improved – hopefully works will be completed by August (As reported at the Annual Parish Meeting). Annual meeting will be held in June, some change to committee members
10.4 To receive a report from the Internal Drainage Board – no further update, still awaiting proposals from United Utilities (As reported at the Annual Parish Meeting)
10.5 To receive a report from The Village Hall Committee - Cllr Graham reported Hospice at Home holding events, and B Campbell has rebooked for Art Classes

Representatives on the committees will be elected at the next meeting in September, 2024

11/24 To review Standing Orders, Financial Regulations, and the Code of Conduct

The Clerk reported new model financial regulations had been circulated by NALC in the last few days and will be presented at the next meeting. No changes to Standing Orders at this time, although they will need adjusted slightly once the new financial regulations are adopted. The Code of Conduct was reviewed and re-adopted

12/24 Asset Register

The Asset Register was reviewed and agreed

13/24 To consider the renewal quote

The renewal quote was considered and accepted

14/24 Financial Matters

14.1 Council received and authorised the payment schedule for the year to date

14.2 The financial statement to 31st March was approved.

14.3 To agree the amount to be transferred to Lloyds Bank – deferred to the next meeting – explore possibility of using SWITCH

15/24 Internal Audit

Councillor received the Internal Audit Report and noted the recommendation by the Auditor regarding the adoption of a Reserves Policy – Clerk to draft and bring to the next meeting

16/24 Risk Assessment

Cllr Girvan had undertaken the annual risk assessment, which was duly considered and approved by councillors

17/24 Planning

Planning Consultation on Reference No: HOU/2024/0084. Applicant: Mr Watson Turner. Proposal: Detached garage. Location: Allan Dale, Waverton, Wigton, CA7 0AE
No Objections from the Council.

18/24 Members Reports

- GG – Reported difficulty finding the website using search engines – Clerk to inform the hosts, Parish Online
- WP – Undertaken a litter pick and collected 5 refuse bags of Litter

19/24 Clerks Report

- Will need EOM to sign off accounts
- Chair signed Civility Pledge Certificate
- No invoice received from WBJC

20/24 Meeting Dates 2024/25 – 4th Thursday each month, September, November, February & May

Meeting Closed 19.45