

# *Lindal and Marton Parish Council*

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## **Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> February 2025 at 7.30 pm. in the Buccleuch Hall, Lindal.**

**Present**:- Councillors Mrs S Glover; Mrs S Kelly; Mrs C Stringer; N Fleming.

**Apologies**:- Councillor Waite

**Also present**: No members of the public were present.

**In attendance**. PC Herron and PC Chloe Dixon, Cumbria Constabulary.

**Apologies** W&F Councillor Dan Edwards

**In the Chair, Councillor Mrs Glover.**

**12/25 Urgent business. Items normally needing to be publicised but received too late for the agenda. (Section 100B (4) (b) Local Government Act 1972)**

None.

**13/25 Disclosure of interests. Requests for dispensations.**

None.

### **14/25 Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2025**

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 2nd January, 2025, were taken as read and APPROVED.

PROPOSED: - Councillor Mrs Kelly: SECONDED: - Councillor Mrs Glover. Carried unanimously.

*NB. Reference was made to the February edition of the parish newsletter, "Aspects" which contained the minutes of the council's January meeting. Unfortunately, a preliminary version of the minutes, which was inaccurate and incomplete, had been forwarded to the printer by mistake. The correct version will be included in the March edition of "Aspects" alongside the February minutes.*

*The minutes can also be seen on the council's website.*

### **15/25 Matters arising from those minutes.**

None.

### **16/25 Attendance of officer from Cumbria Constabulary**

PC Dixon indicated that nothing of merit had been reported to the Police during January although she had looked into the question of a noisy motor vehicle. No action was necessary.

### **17/25 Meetings with Cumbria Constabulary representatives.**

As part of its Neighbourhood Policing Pledge, Cumbria Constabulary intends to create a routine of having virtual meetings between each of its Neighbourhood Policing Teams and two members of each of the councils associated with such teams, on a six-monthly basis. PC Dixon confirmed that this would not interfere with the usual routine of the police attending council meetings as and when this was operationally possible and where it was not possible, to email details of any incidents involving the police.

Insofar as the virtual meetings were concerned, It was AGREED that Councillor Fleming, together with the Clerk, would attend such meetings.

### **17/25 Heritage Programme. Update on current position.**

Councillors Mrs Glover and Fleming confirmed that steady progress was being made in completing the various tasks in which they were involved.

### **18/25 Planning applications relating to the Parish**

None.

### **19/25 Correspondence.**

- a) Planning applications, all of the Borough, previously circulated to members, on-line.
- b) The Clerk reported on further documentation from W&F Council on the subject of electric vehicles - EV, charging points. This included a survey on the Council's thoughts about the siting of such charging points. Councillor Fleming, the council's link contact with W&F on this matter, had already made suggestions regarding where such points might be feasible, namely,
  - 1) The extended bus layby on the west-bound A590, opposite Anchor Gardens.
  - 2) The layby on Pit Lane, outside the park.
  - 3) That portion of land between the two blocks of terraced houses opposite the school on Pit Lane.
- c) Correspondence from Vision Support, Barrow and District, was received reporting on initiatives to assist the visually impaired in becoming more active outside their homes, "Barrow Buddies" being the name by which volunteers helping in this way would be known.

Two programmes were planned requiring volunteers, the first to help by assisting with walking groups to various locations and the second to visit clients in their own homes to assist in guiding them on short visits to, for example, a shop, medical centre or coffee shop in order to build confidence in walking alone.

Members of the public interested in helping with such initiatives should contact [info@vsbd.org.uk](mailto:info@vsbd.org.uk) or 01229 440 556

### **20/25 Assessment of Standing Orders, Risk Management and Financial arrangements**

There were no suggestions regarding any changes which might be required to the Council's Standing Orders, its Risk Management Policy and its Financial Arrangements and it was, therefore, PROPOSED by Councillor Mrs Glover and SECONDED by Councillor Mrs Stringer that the existing policies and procedures be confirmed as acceptable. Carried unanimously.

### **21/25 War memorials, Lindal and Marton.**

The Clerk commented on an approach from a charitable organisation based around some of the work-force in BAE, Barrow, regarding the replacement of damaged plant troughs sited at the two War Memorials in the parish. They had offered to purchase new troughs and these were now awaiting delivery.

## **22/25 Finance**

- 1) Balances: - *Current* - £50: *Festivals* - £169.62- *Reserve* - £9084.52
- 2) Payments recently made, for formal authorisation.
  - a) Councillor Fleming, web-site maintenance, £60.
  - b) Optech Fibres, Lindal Christmas Tree, lighting and management, £1176  
It was PROPOSED by Councillor Mrs Kelly and SECONDED by Councillor Mrs Glover that such payments be duly authorised. Carried unanimously  
(Councillor Fleming abstained.)
- 3) A request was submitted from the charity Cumbria Community Foundation for a donation towards the Foundation's Winter Warmth Appeal. This fund supports elderly residents across Cumbria who find themselves in need of financial help to maintain heating in their homes. *"Last winter we distributed £315,800 and 1,941 older people living on low incomes and with chronic health conditions benefitted"*  
It was PROPOSED by Councillor Fleming and SECONDED by Councillor Mrs Glover that £200 be donated. Carried unanimously.

NB. Contact details for claimants: - Age UK, Barrow; Marie Connor, 01229 831425  
(Terms and Conditions apply)

## **23/25 Any Other Business.**

Councillor Mrs Kelly commented on complaints she had received from local residents regarding the on-going problem of flooding on Snipe Ghyll. The Clerk confirmed that he would raise this once more with W&F Council.

## **24/25 Date and time of next meeting.**

The date and time of the next meeting was AGREED as Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March, 2025, at 7.30 pm in the Buccleuch Hall, Lindal.

*(Council meetings are open to the public and all are welcome to attend. Agendas and minutes can be supplied by email to any resident on request and similarly, they can be seen, along with other documents, on the community website, [www.lindal-in-furness.co.uk](http://www.lindal-in-furness.co.uk))*