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Councillors:-

A Waite (462922) Mrs S Glover (462383) Mrs S Kelly (465343) Mrs C Stringer (464781)
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Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 4th June 2026 at 7.30 pm. in the Buccleuch Hall, Lindal.

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

Apologies:- Councillor A Waite.

Also present: No members of the public were present.

In attendance. None

Apologies Westmorland and Furness Councillor, Dan Edwards.
PC Chloe Dixon

In the Chair Councillor Mrs Glover

66/26 Urgent business. Items normally needing to be publicised but received too late for the agenda. (Section 100B (4) (b) Local Government Act 1972)

None.

67/26 Disclosure of interests. Requests for dispensations.

None.

68/26 Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Thursday, 7th May , 2026

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Thursday, 7th May 2026, were taken as read and APPROVED.

PROPOSED: - Councillor Mrs Kelly. SECONDED: - Councillor Fleming.

Carried unanimously.

69/26 Matters arising from those minutes.

None.

70/26 Attendance of officer from Cumbria Constabulary

No officer was in attendance. No details of incidents had been submitted.

71/26 Planning applications relating to the Parish

None.

72/26 Heritage programme, update on progress

Councillor Mrs Glover confirmed that, together with Councillor Fleming, discussions would be taking place with local colleagues regarding the up-dating of the Haematite Trail which links various mining sites in the locality. Consideration would be given as to how the Trail could be associated with the Pit-Head display in St Peter's Church.

73/26 Snipe Ghyll, flooding issues, latest situation.

Further correspondence from the Flood and Coastal Risk Management team at Westmorland and Furness Council was discussed in which it was reported that difficulties were being experienced in trying to collate the various factors associated with the flooding on Snipe Ghyll.

It would appear that residents of the properties which are affected have been asked for further information and W&F officers are awaiting responses.

It has also been confirmed that, if W&F Council consider that remedial works are the responsibility of specific landowners, the Council has enforcement powers under the Flood and Water Management Act to ensure such work is carried out.

Consideration was given to the need for the Parish Council to meet the appropriate officers from W&F Council in order to understand the specific problems in detail but, on reflection, it was agreed that no action was needed at present. However, Councillor Fleming undertook to make a video recording of the area whenever the road was next subject to extreme flooding, with this being made available to the W&F Officers as up-to-date evidence of the problem.

74/26 Correspondence

- a) Planning applications, all of the ex-Barrow Borough area, previously circulated to members, on-line.
- b) The Clerk drew attention to the latest edition of the "Clerks and Councils Direct" magazine which gave details of a death seemingly caused by the spores of a rare strain of Legionnaires Disease emanating from a bag of compost. The magazine felt it

appropriate to emphasise the need for caution when opening such bags, to be done in the open air, with face masks and gloves being recommended.

75/26 Finance

- a) Balances: - *Current* - £50: *Festivals* - £171.95 *Reserve* - £11900.22
- b) Payments recently made, for formal authorisation.
None.

76/26 Any Other Business

- a) The Clerk reported that he had been in touch with the Head teacher of the school, LAMPS, in order to clarify the situation regarding the proposed SID, Speed Indicator Device, which had been suggested a few years ago as a useful addition to road safety outside the school. Action on this had been deferred following a request from W&F Highways Department because of its plans for additional warning signs etc in that area.
Such work had now been completed and the Head reported that there had been positive results and consequently there was no immediate requirement for any SID, suggesting that the matter could be further deferred to determine what the longer-term results might be insofar as the new signage is concerned.
The Head's views were NOTED and it was AGREED that no further action be taken at the present time.
- b) Councillor Mrs Kelly commented on the state of the pavements on both sides of the road outside the Church, with excess tree foliage and bird droppings and uneven surfaces. The Clerk undertook to investigate.

77/26 Date and time of next meeting

The date and time of the next meeting was AGREED as Thursday, 2nd July 2026, at 7.30 pm in the Buccleuch Hall, Lindal.

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