

Lindal and Marton Parish Council

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Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 3rd September 2026 at 7.30 pm. in the Buccleuch Hall, Lindal.

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

Apologies:- . Councillor Mrs Kelly.

NB., The Clerk reported that councillor Mrs Kelly had informed him that, due to pressure of work, she would have to resign from her position, with her last appearance as a councillor being at the November meeting.

Also present: no members of the public were present.

In attendance. No W&F councillor was present.
No Police Officer was present.

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Apologies None

104/26 Urgent business. Items normally needing to be publicised but received too late for the agenda. (Section 100B (4) (b) Local Government Act 1972)

None.

105/26 Disclosure of interests. Requests for dispensations.

None.

106/26 Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 6th August, 2026

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 6th August 2026, were taken as read and APPROVED.

PROPOSED: - Councillor Mrs Glover. SECONDED: - Councillor Mrs Stringer.

Carried unanimously.

107/26 Matters arising from those minutes.

None.

108/96 Attendance of officer from Cumbria Constabulary

No Officer was in attendance. No statistics had been forwarded.

109/26 Planning applications relating to the Parish

a) BPA4/2026/0377. Land off Pit Lane, Lindal. Erection of 290 sqm agricultural barn.

The Clerk reported that this application was essentially a repeat of that which was considered in November, 2025, and which was approved by the Parish Council, but with reservations relating to its appearance. It was refused by the planning authority, W&F Council.

The first application suggested that the site of the barn would be on land between Lindal and Marton on the western side of Pit Lane, with the refusal by the planning officer because of the overbearing appearance such a building would have on open countryside.

This has resulted in the applicant re-siting the building to the eastern side of Pit Lane where trees would create appropriate shelter.

It was then PROPOSED by Councillor Mrs Glover and SECONDED by Councillor Mrs Stringer that the Parish Council offer no objections. Carried unanimously.

110/26 Heritage programme, update on progress

Councillor Mrs Glover reported on the latest developments with the Heritage display in St Peter's Church whereby additional power sockets had been installed to help with the illumination requirements.

111/26 Lindal village green. Flagpole difficulties

Following the ordering and delivery of a replacement flagpole and flag for Lindal village green, a brief on-site meeting had been held with representatives of Optech, the company responsible for the installation of the Christmas Tree. This was to discuss the usual arrangement whereby, at Christmas, the flagpole needed to be removed from its socket adjacent to the site of the Tree and its power supply, and placed temporarily to one side.

It was agreed that a new site for the flagpole would be found, 20-30 yards away, so it could either remain in place or be removed according to circumstances.

112/26 Correspondence

Planning applications, all of the former Barrow Borough area, previously circulated to members, on-line.

113/26 Finance

- a) Balances: - *Current* - £50: *Festivals* - £172.20 *Reserve* - £11268.39
- b) Payments recently made by the Clerk, for formal authorisation.
 - 1) Re-imburement of J Smith, Clerk, £122.10, purchase of flagpole and flag. (for Lindal village green) It was PROPOSED by Councillor Waite and SECONDED by Councillor Fleming that such payment be duly authorised. Carried unanimously.

114/26 Any Other Business

- a) The Clerk commented further on the impending resignation of Councillor Mrs Kelly. This would require notification to Westmorland and Furness Council, which would arrange for notices to be printed, for distribution throughout the parish, advising residents of the coming vacancy and the methodology for putting names forward for election. NB., Applicants have to be nominated by ten supporters. Should there be no nominees, the Parish Council can co-opt a person of its choice.
- b) Councillor Waite commented on the untidy nature of the hedge surrounding the War Memorial in Marton. The Clerk undertook to notify the appropriate W&F staff, In addition, he would point out that a bush growing from Lindal village green was overhanging the surrounding pavement and need trimming.
- c) Councillor Waite drew attention to the problem of speeding vehicles in the Marton village area. The Clerk would contact Highways to determine whether the existing 20 mph limit in both Lindal and Marton could be made continuous to join both villages.
- d) Councillor Fleming commented on the rather neglected appearance of the roads and open spaces at the new housing development off London Road, Lindal. Whilst the true situation was unknown it was thought that the development had been suspended. Noted.
- e) Councillor Mrs Stringer confirmed that the annual Christmas Party, organised by the Buccleuch Hall committee for pensioners, had been experiencing a gradual decline in support over recent years, to the extent that the committee had decided that it was no longer viable. As a consequence, it would no longer take place. However, it had been decided to create a coffee morning in the Hall on the first Wednesday of the month, 10 am to noon, and free to all who care to drop in. The

Pariah Council would continue to support these arrangements financially, in the same way that it had supported the Christmas Party.

115/26 Date and time of next meeting

The date and time of the next meeting was AGREED as Thursday, 1st October 2026, at 7.30 pm in the Buccleuch Hall, Lindal.

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