

Minutes of the meeting of Hawkshead Parish Council
Held in the Lower Market Hall, Hawkshead on Tuesday 17th December 2024 at 7.30 pm

In the absence of the Chair and the Vice Chair Cllr Moulton agreed to Chair the meeting.

Present: Cllr Moulton (Chair)
Cllrs Maclennan, Bremner
Clerk – Tracey Thornley

In attendance: 2 members of the public present

165/2024 Apologies

RESOLVED Apologies received from Cllrs Johnston, Spedding, Brown and Berry

166/2024 Requests for Dispensations

RESOLVED No requests received

167/2024 Declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests in respect of Agenda items

RESOLVED None

168/2024 Minutes

RESOLVED the Chair was authorised to sign the minutes of the meeting held on 19th November 2024.

Police, Westmorland and Furness Council, and Public Participation

169/2024 Police

The Clerk had looked on the Police.uk website on 16th December 2024 and reported:- 1 incident of violence or sexual offence – on or near the Square – under investigation reported October 2024.

Cllr Moulton read out the response from PCSO Ross regarding the descriptions of incidents, she confirmed there is no way of breaking the classifications down but if there was further information about a local crime that is relevant to the Parish Council the PC would be informed.

170/2024 Westmorland and Furness Council and National Trust

Westmorland and Furness Councillor not present
National Trust – no report available.

171/2024 Public Participation

Member of the public – Ferry £32k was spent taking drive wheels off and repairing then one of the wheels fell off, concern that the Council are not taking things seriously. The member of the public reported that in a recent FOI request the Council reported that 76% planned crossings have happened this year. They wanted to know if the Parish Council had any information on plans for the Ferry, Cllrs had no further information.

172/2024 Update on Ongoing Issues and Actions from Last Meeting

UNRESOLVED Response regarding snowplough and gritter – Cllr Pender is pursuing

RESOLVED LDNPA using Main Street car park to wash bikes – Clerk had received a response that they will no longer wash the bikes in the car park.

UNRESOLVED research on planters to be placed under the welcome signs – ongoing

UNRESOLVED car parking spaces outside the grammar School – ongoing

UNRESOLVED cracked water trough Roger Ground – a hole has been dug next to the trough so water is not running over the road as much, the trough still needs attention.

UNRESOLVED Squares ownership – no further information was available pursuing with the Council.

UNRESOLVED Planning for a dormer at Keen Ground Lodge – ongoing

UNRESOLVED Councillors assessment of number of A Boards and any problems they are causing – as not all Councillors present this will be discussed at the next meeting ACTION All Councillors

UNRESOLVED Councillors to review village street lighting and speed signage – ongoing to be discussed at the next meeting ACTION All Councillors

Chair Initials Date

173/2024 **Highways**

UNRESOLVED update on the drains blocked on the North Lonsdale Road E1/79317 and now all local drains need clearing E1/177362 and all other drains E1/177362 E1/215114 Clerk to report
UNRESOLVED update on hole developing on the road edge near Lakes Lodges E1/110351, E1/133268 E1/143069 Clerk to continue to report
UNRESOLVED update on loose slab/slate by Tigers Eye E1/177640 No recent updates
UNRESOLVED update on loose slabs/slates outside Queens and Chemist E1/177643 E1/201282 No recent updates
UNRESOLVED update on broken bollard by Merlin House E1/200971 E1/219828 ongoing
UNRESOLVED Dale Park Road road end eroding away E1/219824
RESOLVED Openreach manhole covers at Hannakin opposite Suke Cottage E1/219826 has been filled
RESOLVED Blocked drains at Hawksgarth E1/219829 has been cleared of the leaves by locals will keep an eye on it and inform of any further problems.
UNRESOLVED Outgate quarry area potholes E1/226058
RESOLVED potholes outside the Primary School near the sharp corner – have been filled this week.
The edge of the road before you reach fish farm the road is eroding causing traffic to pull into the middle of the road.

174/2024 **Finance & Governance Issues**

RESOLVED Councillors authorised payment of the following accounts:-

Clerk wages (October)	£ 676.08
HMRC – PAYE	£ 43.80
Lengthsman	£ 83.30
National Trust – Rent OPCP	£ 207.60

UNRESOLVED Budget setting for 2025/26 and set the precept Cllrs ran through what reserves were in the accounts and looked again at the budget it was decided to make the final decision at the January meeting

175/2024 **Lengthsman**

Continue with jobs he has ongoing.

176/2024 **Destination Hawkshead**

There hasn't been a meeting since the last PC meeting.

177/2024 **Councillor Matters**

An opportunity for Councillors to raise issues on behalf of residents. *Note: no decisions can be made on these matters but they may be placed on a future agenda of the Council*
None

178/2024 **Correspondence (for information only)**

To note the following e-mails received since last meeting
Coniston PC – Agenda and Minutes; Agenda December Minutes November
Westmorland and Furness Council – Changes made to town regeneration project; Westmorland and Furness review of Polling Districts and Polling places 2024; Cash boost for community-based projects across Eden; Partnership welcomes £16.4m nutrient neutrality grant; List 42 11/11; A592 retaining wall repair planned on the Ullswater shores; Precept 25/26; Hawkshead public realm – remediation work on high street; Barrow Delivery Board meets for first time following confirmation; Furness hospital bed plans to be scrutinised; Sign up to take in the Cumbria Economic Summit; List 43 18/11; Council buildings lit up in support of Domestic Abuse campaign; Councils agree to progress devolution discussions; Veterans mince pies and coffee events; Countdown to Cumbria Economic Summit; Scrutiny meeting explores Furness hospital bed plans; Borderlands5G innovation on show at Christmas market; Speed Indicator devices; Participation up for popular parkrun after new path opens; Cumbria Economic Summit success; Further investigation work on damaged footway; Clearance work under way at Marina Village site; New Energy-efficient LED lighting installed at Westmorland Shopping Centre; 20 Council funded bus services to hit the road next year; Public drop in to support Kirkby Lonsdale community
CALC – Training Bulletin 13/11; Help to shape future of your waste and recycling collections; Priority Services Register and Rural Saving Energy Grants; Adverse weather update; Website training/information session; An invite from the LDNPA; Training bulletin 20/11; Report highlights UHBMTs positive Urgent and Emergency; Local Electric vehicles event; LDNPP (for awareness) – Lake District Foundation – Trustee recruitment; ACT update November 24;

Clerking in Rural Wards; Recording W&FC Branch event; Training January – July 2025; Influencing Rural issues Survey 24; Railway 200 National event; Reminder W&F Branch event Waste Early Conversations; Resilience Weather Alert information; Cumbria Local Nature Partnership News; Copyright issues on PC websites; Outcome of Tender Process BSIP; A595 Grizebeck Improvement scheme
NALC – Chief Executives bulletin 14/11; Events newsletter; Chief executives bulletin 21/11; Events newsletter; Chief Executive bulletin 5/12; Events newsletter
Cumbria Police – Operation Enhance; November 24 – Lakes and Lakes Rural; Low Furness, High Furness and Grant November 24
Cllr Pender – Invitation to Hyperfast GB Community meeting regarding Coniston and Hawkshead; One network link for checking all roadworks; Winter Route amendments to include access to essential services in rural areas; Invitation to Love Windermere Partnership Information evening 9/12; Large vehicles travelling to Near Sawrey on Monday 25/11; Upcoming Highway Resurfacing works B5286 Brathay Hall; Ulverston Late Notice Line Possession – 3 to 5 December 24; Hawkshead; Update upcoming Highway resurfacing works Brathay;
Rural Network – Rural Bulletin 19/11; Rural Bulletin 26/11; Rural Bulletin 3/12; Rural Bulletin 10/12/24
Member of Public – Roads maintainable at public expense
Love Windermere – Newsletter 26/11; Reminder Invitation to Love Windermere Partnership Information evening;
G Haigh – Destination Hawkshead meeting
Glorious Gravel – Notification of cycling event 28.6.25
Lake District National Park Authority – Changes to the Housing Supplementary Planning Document; Changes to Design Code Planning Document
Claife PC – Request for update on Gritting and snowplough solution for minor roads.
PCSO Ross – Hawkshead Crime Stats

179/2024 **Date of next meeting**

It was agreed that the next meeting would be Tuesday 21st January 2025 at 7.30 pm in the Lower Market Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.11 pm