

IREBY AND ULDALE PARISH COUNCIL

At the Annual Meeting of Ireby and Uldale Parish Council held at the WI Hall, Ireby on Tuesday 23rd May, 2023 commencing at 8.35 p.m.

Present:

E. Alexander
R. Cockburn
A. Forrest
J.W. Hall
J. Logan
G. Moore

Also Present:

Five parish members
J. Perry, Cumberland Councillor
J. Rae (Clerk)

1 ELECTION OF CHAIR FOR COUNCIL YEAR 2023/2024

Nominations were invited for the election of Chair. It was proposed by Cllr E. Alexander and seconded by Cllr G. Moore that Cllr K. Bridges be re-elected Chair. No other nominations were received. RESOLVED that Cllr K. Bridges be re-elected Chair for the ensuing year.

2 TO RECEIVE THE CHAIR'S DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

Cllr K. Bridges had agreed to accept the Chairmanship if nominated. Arrangements will be made for the declaration of acceptance of office to be signed.

3 APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIR FOR COUNCIL YEAR 2023/24

A proposal was received and seconded that Cllr G. Moore be re-appointed Vice Chair. RESOLVED that Cllr G. Moore be re-appointed Vice Chair for council year 2023/24.

4 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr K. Bridges and Cllr P. Crooks. The reason for absence was noted and accepted.

Cllr G. Moore in the Chair

5 MINUTES – 7 MARCH 2023

The minutes of the meeting held on 7th March, 2023 were agreed as a correct record and were signed by the Chair.

6 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were provided with a register of pecuniary and disclosable interests form from Cumberland Council for completion.

Cllr J. Logan and Cllr A. Forrest declared an interest in item 16(d) on the agenda Donation request towards the valuation of the pub by the Plunkett Foundation.

Cllr. A. Forrest declared an interest in item 15 on the agenda Adoption of the defibrillators.

Cllr. J. Logan declared an interest in item 16(a) on the agenda maintenance equipment for the school.

7 POLICE REPORT

The newsletter for the Wigton/Aspatria/Silloth area had been circulated prior to the meeting.

8 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Further to Min Ref 81 further information was provided and a paper from the Chair of Boltons, Ireby & Uldale First Responders had been circulated to members regarding the adoption of the defibrillators in Ireby and Uldale.

9 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MEETING ON 7 MARCH 2023

Emergency Planning (Min Ref 87) – Cllr Perry reported that a parish emergency plan should be more specific to the local community. The plan should be accessible and ensure that residents are aware of what to do in the case of an emergency.

United Utilities Drop-in Sessions (Min Ref 90) – Cllr Perry reported she had approached United Utilities to enquire if the drop-in session in September regarding the Chapel House and Overwater Reservoir De-commission project could be held in Ireby. Cllr Perry advised she had not received a response but will speak to UU on 15th June at the drop-in session at Loweswater when information on the proposals for Crummock will be available.

Cllr Perry also reported that Cumberland Council had now set up Community Panels. Bothel and Wharrels will fall within the Lakes to Sea area panel. The Panels will draw up a Community Investment Plan to identify priority areas, priorities, actions and investments and has a budget of £60,000.

10 ANNUAL INSURANCE

The renewal documentation had been received from BHIB Limited at a renewal premium of £366.98. It was agreed that the policy with BHIB provides adequate cover for the parish council's requirements. RESOLVED to renew the policy with BHIB Limited.

11 FINANCIAL MATTERS

(a) A copy of the financial report had been circulated with the agenda.

Balances 31 st March, 2023	
Business Current Account	£6,436.52
Business Savings Accounts	£8,518.96
Balance Cfdw	£14,955.48

(b) Income Received
Cumberland Council Half Yearly Precept £3,000.00

(c) Payment of Accounts

RESOLVED that the following accounts be authorised for payment:

CALC – Annual Subscription	£178.72
BHIB Insurance – Annual Insurance	£366.98
Internal Auditor	£ 80.00

12 ANNUAL AUDIT

- (i) Internal Audit Report - The internal audit had been carried out with no issues raised.
- (ii) Annual Governance Statement – The Annual Governance Statement was considered. Arrangements are in place for effective financial management and the accounting statements are prepared in accordance with Accounts and Audit Regulations. RESOLVED that the Chairman and Clerk be authorised to sign the Annual Governance Statement.
- (iii) Accounting Statement 2022/23 – The Accounting Statement represents the financial position of the parish council. RESOLVED that the Chairman be authorised to sign the annual return.
- (iv) Certificate of Exemption - Members resolved that the Certificate of Exemption should be signed by the Chairman and Clerk certifying that the Parish Council is exempt from a limited assurance review and during the financial year 2022/23 the gross income for the year or gross annual expenditure for the year did not exceed £25,000.
- (v) Period of Exercise of Public Rights – Members noted that the period for the exercise of public rights will commence on 5th June and will end on 14th July. A notice will be displayed on the parish notice boards notifying electors of their rights to inspect the accounts.
- (vi) Publication on website – The Clerk reported the requisite documents will be uploaded to the parish council's website

13 PLANNING

(a) Applications received:

Lake District National Park Authority

7/2022/2318 – Rose Lea, Uldale, CA7 1EY

First floor extension and alterations to rear of property to form first floor shower room

(b) Decisions:

Lake District National Park Authority

7/2022/2134 – Overwater Hall Hotel, Ireby, CA7 1HH

Redevelopment of hotel to provide additional bedrooms, leisure and dining facilities. Siting of 12 no. 'dark-sky' cabins, creation of new car park and change of use and adaptation of outbuildings to provide offices and staff accommodation. Associated access, drainage and landscaping works. REFUSED

7/2023/2011 – Huntsman Cottage, Ireby, CA7 1HH

Erection of single-storey side extension for additional living accommodation GRANTED

7/2022/2318 – Rose Lea, Uldale, CA7 1EY

First floor extension and alterations to rear of property to form first floor shower room GRANTED

14 HIGHWAYS/HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE

(a) Highway issues in the Parish

Pot holes on the Aughertree to Uldale road

Pot holes on Snittlegarth lonning

It was noted that some areas in the parish had been marked for repair.

(b) Lengsthman

No further information was available at the date of the meeting.

15 ADOPTION OF DEFIBRILLATORS IN IREBY AND ULDALE

The proposals for the adoption of the defibrillators had been circulated prior to the meeting.

Each defibrillator has a guardian who checks the box once a week and sends an online report to the Ambulance Service confirming that it is still functioning. The ongoing costs include an electricity supply which is covered by the Globe Hall in Ireby and will need to be reviewed now that the Snooty Fox in Uldale has closed and routine replacement of the battery and pads. The BIUFR are proposing to transfer each machine by September with £300 to cover the first few years running costs.

Cllr Cockburn proposed, seconded by Cllr Alexander therefore RESOLVED that the defibrillators in Ireby and Uldale be adopted by the Parish Council.

16 DONATION REQUESTS

(a) Maintenance equipment for the School. Members agreed that any request should be submitted to the council from the school and will be considered once received.

(b) Ireby PCC – Grass cutting at Ireby Churchyard – Members agreed to defer this item. The request will be considered alongside the request for grass cutting at Udale Church once received.

(c) Uldale DCC – Grass cutting at Uldale Churchyard – The request for a donation towards the grass cutting is still awaited.

- (d) Valuation of Emilys Black Lion by the Plunkett Foundation
Members considered the costs involved if the Plunkett Foundation were to carry out a valuation of the pub. It was noted that the membership fee of £200 had already been paid. Cllr W. Hall proposed that £900 be granted towards the valuation costs, this was seconded by Cllr R. Cockburn. RESOLVED that £900 be granted.

17 ELECTION OF PARISH MEMBER TO LAKE DISTRICT NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY

Members noted that the term of appointment of the parish members on the Lake District National Park Authority from the North, East and West distinctive areas come to an end in May 2023. The election of new parish members (who will be recommended to the Secretary of State for appointment) will be arranged by the CALC. The deadline for receipt of completed nomination papers is 26th May. Members resolved not to put forward a nomination from the council.

18 CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence received since the last meeting had been circulated by email:

- Emergency road Closure - U2107 Ireby - 20/3/23 - UU
- LDNPA Parish Representatives Election Advance notice letter for East, West and North DA
- LDNPA Members report March
- LDNPA - Government Consultation on short-term holiday lets
- CALC - Practitioners Guide 2023
- CALC News - January & February 2023
- CALC - Local Government Reorganisation (LGR) Newsletter
- HyperfastGB - Aspatria community meeting - 2 May
- Cumbria CC - Connecting Cumbria Newsletter March 2023
- CALC - CCRG: Follow Up to Finding, Understanding and Using Weather Information Event
- CALC - CLIMATE ACTION online survey for Town and Parish Councils which focuses in particular on carbon reduction and community energy
- CALC - CAfS Newsletter- Solar Made Easy | Carbon Literacy | Lime Workshops | Climate Solutions: Hedgerows & Coastlines
- CALC - Community Energy On-line Event
- CALC - Cost of Living Support, Household Support Fund and PCCU
- CALC - DLUHC Consultation on Infrastructure Levy
- Cumberland Council - Welcome to Cumberland Council
- CALC - CCRG: Emergency Alerts
- CALC - Community Emergency Plans (CEPs) Quick Questionnaire- Town and Parish Councils
- Cumberland Council - Connecting Cumbria Newsletter - April 2023
- CALC Special General Meeting – 7 June 2023
- LDNPA – TPO at Overwater Hall had been confirmed with modification
- Correspondence from a parishioner regarding a planning application. Cllr Bridges had agreed to speak to the parishioner regarding their concerns.
- Correspondence from a parish member alleging a breach of electoral law. The parishioner’s concerns had been referred to Electoral Services at Cumberland Council. Cumberland Council advised they had no concerns regarding the notice displayed on the noticeboard.

19 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 4th July, 2023 - WI Hall Ireby – 7.30pm

The meeting closed at 9.37 pm

Chairman Date