

HEVERSHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Councillors are hereby summoned and members of the public are invited to attend a meeting of the Parish Council to be held on **Wednesday 26 February 2025** at 7.30pm in The Athenaeum, Leasgill for the purposes detailed in the following agenda

A G E N D A

1. **Apologies**
To receive apologies with reasons for absence
2. **Minutes**
To authorise the Chair to sign the minutes of the meeting held on 18 December 2024 as a true record
3. **Declarations of Interest**
To receive declarations of interest by members in respect of items on this agenda (*Members are reminded that it is a criminal offence not to declare a disclosable pecuniary interest either in the Register or at the meeting*)
4. **Requests for Dispensation**
The Clerk to report any requests received since the previous meeting for dispensations to speak and/or vote on any matter where a member has a disclosable pecuniary interest
5. **Public Participation**
Members of the public will be given the opportunity to speak, ask questions or raise matters of interest with regard to this agenda
6. **Playground Finance**
Discussion with Lyn Richardson from Westmorland and Furness Council
7. **Ongoing Items**
 - i) Extension of 50 mph limit to Levens
 - ii) Crow Wood
 - iii) Yellow line parking restrictions
 - iv) Field of Dreams
 - v) Village 20 mph application update
 - vi) Newsletter update
 - vii) Gabions policy
 - viii) Community resilience (emergency planning) policy
8. **Reports**
 - To receive any report from the Westmorland and Furness Councillor
 - To receive any relevant information from The Athenaeum including the half-year Accounts to 31 January 2025 (emailed to Cllrs.7/2/25)
 - To receive any relevant matters from Cumbria Police including 2024 Roundup; the Neighbourhood Policing Team updates for December 2024 and January 2025; a letter about their Neighbourhood Policy Pledge (including a request for council representatives); and a report regarding Operation Enhance (anti-social behaviour) (emailed to Cllrs. 21/1/25, 21/1/25, 17/2/25, 17/2/25 and 21/2/25 respectively)
 - To note anti-social behaviour in Boarding School car park
9. **Planning**
 - i) To note that the following planning applications have been submitted to W&FC and circulated to members of the Council since the last meeting:
 - SL/2023/0255 Heversham House, Heversham (Re-consultation)**
Revised elevations, stonework details and window openings attached to planning permission SL/2020/0917 (change of use from residential care home (use class 2) to single dwelling (use class 3), alterations to the vehicular access, extensions and alterations, erection of detached garage, erection of retaining walls and removal of trees to the western boundary)
 - 2025/0182/HOU Sundown, Heversham**
Detached single storey garage
 - 2025/0023/FPA Blue Ridge, Woodhouse Lane, Heversham**
Replacement double glazed uPVC timber effect window in north east and north west elevations. New glazed uPVC wood effect door and double glazed uPVC timber effect window to replace garage door. Replacement insulated up and over garage door
 - ii) To note any planning applications received and circulated to members of the Council since publishing the agenda
 - iii) To note that the following planning applications have been **approved** by W&FC since the last meeting:
 - iv) To receive any report from the Neighbourhood Plan group
10. **Highways / Footpaths / Trees and Woods**
 - a. To consider any Highways matters
 - b. To receive any report from the Working Group for footpaths/tracks
 - c. To consider any trees and woods matters

11. Playground Report

- i) To inform the council of the condition of the playground at the weekly inspections
- ii) To receive any report regarding repairing and replacing the playground fencing
- iii) To record who will be making the inspections until the next meeting
- iv) To discuss possible playground improvements

12. Village Tidy

To discuss arrangements

13. Annual Parish Meeting

To discuss arrangements including discussion re local electric vehicle infrastructure

14. Street Lighting Electricity

To discuss action regarding Westmorland & Furness Council's proposals concerning street lighting

15. Finance

- i) To note that there has been the following receipt since the last meeting:
Sale of fallen wood - £20.00
- ii) To note any receipts since publishing the agenda
- iii) To note the following payments made by direct debit since the last meeting
Npower – street lighting electricity December 2024 - £155.27
Npower – street lighting electricity January 2025 - £162.36
- iv) To note the following payments made between meetings:
Drew Ford Garden machinery – mower service – £261.40
A2A Advertising Ltd – SSL web hosting fee - £48.00
M R Richardson – salary and expenses to 31/1/25 – £1,598.11
- v) To approve the following payment:
HMRC – PAYE re M R Richardson - £359.60
- vi) To approve any payments due since publishing the agenda
- vii) To receive and consider the Contractor tenders for 2025
- viii) To receive and approve the 2025/26 Financial Risk Assessment
- ix) To note the bank balance at 31 January 2025 and authorise the Chair to counter-sign the bank statement

16. Correspondence – to note any other correspondence received and not included as an item on this agenda and decide upon any necessary action:

- i) CALC – BT Digital Voice switchover webinars on 22/1/25 and 27/1/25 (emailed to Cllrs.20/1/25)
- ii) W&FC seeking residents' views as they look to improve customer service offer (emailed to Cllrs.20/1/25)
- iii) National Highways – Works to instal A590 safety cameras between Brettagh Holt and Ayside (emailed to Cllrs.20/1/25)
- iv) W&FC – Council agree to join government's devolution journey (emailed to Cllrs.20/1/25)
- v) W&FC – Council launches surveys to help shape future of library services (emailed to Cllrs.21/1/25)
- vi) W&FC – Council seeks input on potential Circular Economy Hub (emailed to Cllrs.21/1/25)
- vii) W&FC – Help shape the future of electric vehicle infrastructure in W&F (emailed to Cllrs.21/1/25)
- viii) W&FC – Council announces ambitious housing strategy to address local needs (emailed to Cllrs.21/1/25)
- ix) National Highways – safety improvement works to the A590 between Brettagh Holt and M6 Junction 36 on 24-26 February 2025 (emailed to Cllrs.16/2/25)
- x) CALC News November & December 2024 emailed to Cllrs.16/2/25)
- xi) W&FC welcomes government devolution inclusion (emailed to Cllrs.17/2/25)
- xii) W&FC – Cumbria Local Nature Recovery Strategy newsletter Spring 2025 (emailed to Cllrs.17/2/25)
- xiii) W&FC protects front line services in tough financial times (emailed to Cllrs.17/2/25)
- xiv) W&FC launches free parenting support app for families (emailed to Cllrs.17/2/25)
- xv) CALC – Springfield domestic abuse charity – Cross The Bay walk 21/6/25 (emailed to Cllrs.17/2/25)
- xvi) W&FC – £1 million to boost active journeys across W&F (emailed to Cllrs.17/2/25)
- xvii) CALC – Devolution update – government consultation now live (emailed to Cllrs.18/2/25)
- xviii) CALC – LSE/NALC emergency planning survey (emailed to Cllrs.20/2/25)
- xix) W&FC – Electoral review of Westmorland & Furness Council (emailed to Cllrs.20/2/25)

17. Westmorland Gazette - to identify any relevant matters from this meeting to be reported for the Westmorland Gazette

18. To note any 'Items for Information' - no decisions or action permitted

19. To receive items for consideration for a future agenda:

- i) Queen's Platinum Jubilee Tree Scheme plaque – When new trees are ready in 2025

Date of next meeting - to confirm the date of the next meeting of the Parish Council and the date of subsequent meetings in 2025 and that they will be held at 7.30pm in The Athenaeum, Leasgill

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