

## 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 23 July 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 11 June 2025 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. **Ongoing Items**
  - i) Crow Wood
  - ii) Yellow line parking restrictions
  - iii) Field of Dreams
  - iv) Village 20 mph consultation update
  - v) Community resilience (emergency planning) policy including reference to the emails from CALC concerning a future event on local resilience plans and a NALC and ACRE (Action with Communities in Rural England) survey re flood resilience (both emailed to Cllrs.10/7/25)
7. **Reports**
  - To receive any report from the Westmorland and Furness Councillor
  - To receive any relevant information from The Athenaeum
  - To receive any relevant matters from Cumbria Police including the Neighbourhood Policing Team update for June 2025; the Wildlife and Rural affairs newsletter for June 2025; and a note relating to the survey regarding hate crime ending in 1/8/25 (all emailed to Cllrs.10/7/25)
8. **Planning**
  - i) To note that the following planning application has been submitted to W&FC and circulated to members of the Council since the last meeting:  
**2025/1233/NMA Valley View, Leasgill**  
Non-material amendment to planning permission 2024/0064/FPA to revise the positions of windows and doors, install wooden strip fencing within the existing hedgerow and introduce a new pedestrian access gate
  - ii) To note any planning applications received and circulated to members of the Council since publishing the agenda
  - iii) To note that no planning applications have been **approved** by W&FC since the last meeting
  - iv) To receive any report from the Neighbourhood Plan group including regarding the government's decision to axe funding for neighbourhood plans (emailed to Cllrs.23/6/25)
9. **Highways / Footpaths / Trees and Woods**
  - a. To consider any Highways matters including the responsibility for the restoration of milestones
  - b. To receive any report from the Working Group for footpaths/tracks
  - c. To consider any trees and woods matters
10. **Playground Report**
  - i) To inform the council of the condition of the playground at the weekly inspections
  - ii) To receive any report regarding the repairing and replacing of the playground fencing
  - iii) To record who will be making the inspections until the next meeting
  - iv) To receive a report regarding the play tractor
11. **Street Lighting Electricity**  
To receive a report from the Clerk regarding the W&FC's proposals concerning street lighting
12. **Training**  
To receive any report concerning the Standards of Conduct course on 3/7/25

### 13. Finance

- i) To note that there have been no receipts since the last meeting
- 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 May 2025 - £136.19  
D&C Atkinson – mowing June 2025 - £140.00
- iv) To approve the following payments:  
M R Richardson – salary and expenses to 31/7/25 - £1,603.91  
HMRC – PAYE / NIC re M R Richardson salary - £441.82
- v) To approve any payments due since publishing the agenda
- vi) To review and note the budget comparison 2024/25
- vii) To agree that the upper Spinal Column Point (SCP) in the Clerk's contract be removed so that the applicable SCP will be one point higher on 1<sup>st</sup> April each year. For the current year this amendment will take effect on 1<sup>st</sup> August 2025 and his pay will be based upon SCP24 moving to SCP25 on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2026
- viii) To note the bank balance at 30 June 2025 and authorise the Chair to counter-sign the bank statement

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

- i) W&FC – £37.7 million highways and transport plan to drive smoother journeys across the area (emailed to Cllrs.12/6/25) and briefing on 26/6/25 (emailed to Cllrs.23/6/25)
- ii) W&FC – Summer climate and nature newsletter (emailed to Cllrs.12/6/25)
- iii) W&FC – Cumbria Local Nature Recovery strategy consultation closes 22/6/25 (emailed to Cllrs.12/6/25)
- iv) CALC – EA incidents – online reporting now available (emailed to Cllrs.9/7/25)
- v) CALC – Slides from the W&F parking session on 17/6/25 (emailed to Cllrs.9/7/25)
- vi) CALC – Links to specific guidance from the Charity Commission event (emailed to Cllrs.10/7/25)
- vii) W&FC's Pothole prevention programme is underway on 66 miles of roads (emailed to Cllrs.10/7/25)
- viii) W&FC – What happens next for the Local Nature Recovery strategy (emailed to Cllrs.10/7/25)
- ix) CALC – Branch event on affordable housing on 15/7/25 (emailed to Cllrs.10/7/25)
- x) CALC – Branch event on economic strategy on 30/7/25 (emailed to Cllrs.10/7/25)
- xi) CALC – Slides, newsletter & FAQs re road surface dressing briefing on 26/6/25 (emailed to Cllrs.10/7/25)
- xii) W&FC – Temporary road closures for surface dressing (emailed to Cllrs.10/7/25)
- xiii) W&FC – Devolution update (emailed to Cllrs.10/7/25)
- xiv) CALC News for May and June 2025 (emailed to Cllrs.10/7/25)
- xv) CALC – Citizens Advice money advice session on 24/7/25 (emailed to Cllrs.15/7/25)
- xvi) W&FC backs affordable housing vision for Windermere site (emailed to Cllrs.15/7/25)
- xvii) W&FC – Branch event on W&FC's role in events (emailed to Cllrs.15/7/25)
- xviii) W&FC – First stage completed on £350K major school decarbonisation review (emailed to Cllrs.16/7/25)
- xix) W&FC – Positive devolution update (emailed to Cllrs.18/7/25)
- xx) W&FC – Adult learning service praised for "greatly improving lives" (emailed to Cllrs.18/7/25)

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

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

### 17. 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 next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 24 September 2025 at 7.30pm in The Athenaeum, Leasgill

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