

PONSONBY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held 11th February 2025

Presenter

Robert Jones (Chairman)

Councillors

Alan Rigg (AR), and Yvonne Tilson (YT), Cllr Scott Robertson (SR)

67/24	<p>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Apologies received from Councillors James Stanley ,Liz Dias (LD), and Tyson Norman (TN)</p>	
68/24	<p>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST None</p>	
69/24	<p>MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 7th January 2025 The previous minutes were approved</p>	
70/24	<p>PROGRESS REPORTS</p> <p>GDF – ongoing Further information has now been released regarding the Areas of Focus. Each household should have received correspondence regarding this. We await further information regarding the progress.</p> <p>HIGHWAYS – ongoing Cllr Jones attended a wrap up meeting with the A595 Levelling Up Team. The total fund has now been committed. Some areas are to be completed with the remaining funds however there are some areas of works which cannot be completed at this time. We are to compile a snagging list and send this to Cumberland Council.</p> <p>The road at Robin Bridge is to be reported again as the issues remain.</p> <p>There have been several reports of unsafe parking including double parking and parking on pavements reported. A statement is to be issued via the village WhatsApp group. Parking for residents has been made available courtesy of the Village Hall Committee.</p> <p>CRIME STATISTICS – ongoing Cumbria Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner has been chased again for a response. We have received correspondence regarding a Policing Pledge with further engagement to be made with Parish Councils. Cllr Norman to be nominated as a Single Point of Contact (SPOC) for this project. Clerk to respond.</p> <p>PARISH COUNCIL FORUM – ongoing There are no updates to report</p> <p>St. BRIDGETS CHURCH CLOSURE – ongoing There are no further updates. There is now damage to the railings. Clerk to chase.</p> <p>NDA - ongoing We have now received correspondence from NDA regarding the owned properties. Details regarding land boundaries are to be provided from NDA shortly. This information has already been distributed to the local PC's. A meeting is to be held following receipt of this information to discuss the contents. Clerk to arrange.</p> <p>Heart of the Community fund and Community Plan – ongoing We have received a quote for repairing the wall and are awaiting a further quote regarding the playground repair/replacement. Consideration needs to be given to the most cost-effective approach to the older play equipment. Further quotations are to be requested.</p> <p>A meeting to discuss the community plan and a possible open day it to be proposed</p>	<p>HW</p> <p>HW</p> <p>HW</p> <p>HW/TN</p> <p>HW</p> <p>HW</p>

	<p>for 11th March 25 following the next Parish Council meeting.</p> <p>Sustrans – ongoing A Parish representative is to attend a meeting to discuss <i>Cycling in West Cumbria</i>.</p> <p>Community Plan – ongoing Following the completion of works to the Village Hall the community plan again needs to be resurrected. Dates for a meeting are to be discussed at the next PC meeting in Feb 25.</p>	
71/24	<p>APPLICATIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT</p> <p>NONE received</p> <p>Laverock How – the appeal has now concluded. In summary, solar panels have been approved however the wind turbine has been refused.</p> <p>We were anticipating an application to be received from Sellafield – Clerk to query the progress on this.</p>	
72/24	<p>FINANCIAL RECORDS</p> <p>The balances as held on 3rd February 2025 were £13663.90 with a further £2500 in the amenities account.</p> <p>The following invoices have been/are to be paid:</p> <p>Sarah Autie – Gardening works – paid 22nd January 25 - £308.00 Clerk Services – January £147.93</p> <p>An invoice has been received for One.com however queries are being raised relating to the ongoing subscription</p>	
73/24	<p>SCHEDULE OF CORRESPONDENCE, NOTICES AND PUBLICATIONS</p> <p>Beach monitoring The programme has now restarted</p> <p>Flood Alerts We have signed up to a flood alert pilot scheme which is being trialled. More information is to follow on this when publicised.</p>	
74/24	<p>PARISH COUNCIL REPRESENTATION and PUBLIC PARTICIPATION</p> <p>LLWR Stakeholder meeting The PC was represented at this meeting which largely focused on the GDF Search Area information.</p> <p>Firbus We have been invited to attend a meeting with Fibrus to discuss the <i>Hyperfast GB</i> project. Key information is to be requested as we are unable to send a representative.</p>	
75/24	<p>COUNCILLOR MATTERS</p> <p>Riverside Garden An ongoing scope of works is to be requested from Sarah Autie to outline how this can be maintained during the growing season between March – November</p> <p>Grit bin – This has been instructed to be filled</p>	
76/24	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING The proposed and agreed date of the next meeting is Tuesday 11th March 2025 at the Village Hall.</p>	