

Beaumont Parish Council

Minutes of Beaumont Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 19th March 2025 held in Beaumont Parish Hall at 7.00pm

Present: Mr T Greenwood (Chair), Mrs J Irving (Vice Chair), Mr P Dry, Mr T Grainger, Mrs Y Palmer, Mr T Allison (Ward Councillor), Mrs I Davidson (Clerk)
Mr Greenwood opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

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17/25	Apologies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apologies received from: - Mr D Betts – holiday, Mr A Cleminson – family commitments. 													
18/25	Approval of the last Parish Council Meeting Minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The minutes of the last Parish Council Meeting held on 22nd January 2025 were approved and signed as a true record by Mr Greenwood. 													
19/25	Declarations of Interest <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There were no declarations of interest. 													
20/25	Public Participation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There were no members of the public present. 													
21/25	Ward Councillor's Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Allison has arranged to have the base for the new bin to be installed in Kirkandrews next week. • Mr Allison is to keep the PC informed about the Burgh by Sands Speed Indicator Device. • Mr Allison requested permission to use the PC's Parish Boundary Report as a template for Cumwhinton Parish. All agreed and Mr Allison agreed to acknowledge Mr Cleminson in his report. 													
22/25	Councillors' Reports. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beaumont Parish Boundary Review. Our submission has been acknowledged, awaiting decision. • Parish Plan. Mr Greenwood reported that the parish plan has now been checked by Mrs Irving and Mr Cleminson and is to be added to the website. The Plan is to be updated every 5 years. 	TG												
23/25	Accounts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approve Beaumont Parish Hall Grant Application for grass cutting. It was agreed grant applications will be approved at the next PC meeting when the percentage of grant allowance will be decided. • Approve Beaumont Parish Hall grant application for VE Day Celebrations Event. A grant of £1000 was approved. • The following Cheques were raised and approved as follows: <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 15%;">000316</td> <td style="width: 60%;">Cumberland Cnl, Playarea Inspection</td> <td style="width: 25%; text-align: right;">£ 70.20</td> </tr> <tr> <td>000317</td> <td>Beaumont Parish Hall Hire</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 25.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>000318</td> <td>I Davidson Clerk Salary</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£328.83</td> </tr> <tr> <td>000319</td> <td>HMRC Months, 10-12 PAYE</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£145.20</td> </tr> </table> 	000316	Cumberland Cnl, Playarea Inspection	£ 70.20	000317	Beaumont Parish Hall Hire	£ 25.00	000318	I Davidson Clerk Salary	£328.83	000319	HMRC Months, 10-12 PAYE	£145.20	
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24/25	CPD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr Betts, Mrs J Irving, Mrs Y Palmer, Mr P Dry and Mrs I Davidson attended the Planning Policy Event on 18th February. Mrs Davidson has updated the CPD spreadsheet. Local Council Award Scheme session is to be held on Teams at 7pm on 3rd June. Mrs Davidson to attend and any Cllrs who are available. 	All
25/25	Speeding and Road Signs in Kirkandrews on Eden <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mrs Davidson contacted PCSO Kirkpatrick to ask for a police presence in Kirkandrews or at Ratlingate layby. He is to try, although it is a difficult place to park legally and out of the way. 	
26/25	VE 80th Anniversary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PC Cllrs met with the Parish Hall Committee and decided to hold an event on Sunday 11th May at the Hall and ask for volunteers to help on the day. On Thursday 8th May, the parish council and Mrs Beattie are planning an event at St Marys Church in Beaumont at 9pm to light the flambeaux. 	All
27/25	Flagpole or Beacons to be sited at Beaumont Parish Hall <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To be decided. 	
28/25	Flower planters & bulbs to be located throughout the parish <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mrs Davidson to email the Solway flower club committee to see if they would be interested in working with the PC for ideas for planters and plants to brighten up the parish. 	ID
29/25	Cleaning of noticeboards/purchase new noticeboards <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr Dry offered to clean the noticeboard in Beaumont. 	PD
30/25	Agree Portaloo Costs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The parish hall committee gave permission for the siting of the portaloo behind the hall as previous years. All agreed to accept the quote from Border Group Ltd as it was the same as last year. The cost of hire, delivery and collection is £965.15 from 1st April to 31st October. Mr Allison is to support an application for a grant of £500 towards the cost of the portaloo. Mrs Davidson to contact Helen Esslemont for an application form. 	ID
31/25	Damage to Bus Shelter in Grinsdale <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The bus shelter in Grinsdale was badly defaced by graffiti. Mr Greenwood acted quickly, on request of the Police, to cover over the graffiti and paint the bus shelter. 	
32/25	Doudle Beck bridge closure <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr Betts is to chase up the Council nearer the expected time for it to be reopened. 	DB

33/25	Agree dates for Summer Playscheme <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dates for the playscheme were discussed and it was agreed to book the same weeks as last year if possible. 	ID
34/25	Adopt Sexual Harassment Policy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was agreed by all to adopt the Sexual Harassment Policy as previously circulated. Mrs Davidson to arrange for it to be published on the website. 	ID
35/25	Unreliable Electricity Supply to Kirkandrews and Grinsdale <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A resident requested the PC to contact Electricity Northwest to ask if they can make the connection more resilient in Kirkandrews and Grinsdale as connection is regularly lost in windy weather. Mrs Irving explained she has contacted Electricity Northwest several times and they have implied it is normal policy that overhead power cables are turned off once wind levels exceed a certain speed on the grounds of safety. Priority is given to areas that have a business. Mrs Irving to contact the resident. 	Jl
36/25	Kirkandrews on Eden Bin <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr Allison has organised for litter bin bases in Kirkandrews to be installed. 	
37/25	Planning and Decisions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposal: Erection Of Proposed Calf Shed Location: Holmes Mill, CA5 6EH Appn Ref: 25/0094. The Parish Council made no comments. 	ID
38/25	Councillors' Concerns <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was reported that Fibrus Contractors have been fly tipping along the road between Beaumont and Sandsfield. Mrs Davidson forwarded the email and photographs to Neil Dixon. An update on Field 6065 was requested Mr Allison to contact James Ward at Cumberland Council. It was reported that water is running down the road in Beaumont. Mr Greenwood is to contact the water board. 	TA TG
39/25	Correspondence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Parish Hall Committee have set up a WhatsApp group for hall users, friends and supporters, so hall activities come straight to your phone. To join Contact Bryony Kirk. Cumbria Constabulary Neighbourhood want 2 representatives to attend local virtual meetings to reduce crime & anti-social behaviour. Mr Greenwood and Mrs Palmer volunteered. Burgh by Sands are holding a fun day (Burgh Fest) on 19th July and have invited Beaumont Cllrs to participate. There are no costs involved, it is an opportunity to set up stalls etc for fund raising or for selling crafts etc. 	TG VP
40/25	Date of Next Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Annual Meeting of the parish council will be held on Wednesday 14th May at 7pm in Beaumont Parish Hall. 	

Meeting Closed at 20.45.