# Beaumont Parish Council

## Minutes of Beaumont Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 15th April 2026 held in Monkhill Chapel at 7.00pm

**Present**: Mr T Greenwood (Chair), Mrs J Irving (Vice Chair), Mr A Cleminson, Mr P Dry, Mr T Grainger, Mrs Y Palmer, Mr T Allison (Cumberland Councillor), Mrs I Davidson (Clerk)

Mr Greenwood opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

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| **12/26** | **Apologies for Absence –** Apologies received from Mr D Betts, (Work commitments). | |
| **13/26** | **Approval of the Parish Council Meeting Minutes** - The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 28th January 2026 were approved and signed by Mr Greenwood. | |
| **14/26** | **Declarations of Interest** – No declarations of Interest were declared. | |
| **15/26** | **Public Participation** – One member of the public present. There have been 2 near misses at the top of the hill in Beaumont, outside Hill Top Cottage and Church Farm from tractors failing to stop. The road markings have worn away due to the passing heavy machinery. Mr Greenwood to inform Highways. | TG |
| **16/26** | **Ward Councillor's Report**<br>**TROs** - Mr Allison circulated a report from a meeting he attended with Sophie Wilkinson regarding the Traffic Regulations Order proposals in Dalston. (Appendix 1). Mr Allison did not submit Beaumont's proposal, produced by Mr Cleminson, until it was discussed at the PC meeting. Mr Allison put forward his reservations that the PC needs to narrow down the proposals to one main route. Mr Cleminson to focus on the part of the proposal for the road which runs from Beaumont to Kirkandrews and to highlight the fact toilets have been provided due to the high number of walkers using the road. Mr Cleminson to send the amended proposal onto Mr Allison to submit to Sophie. Mr Greenwood thanked Mr Cleminson for all his hard work on this proposal.<br>**Speed Indicator Device –** Mr Allison suggested the PC consider the purchase of a vehicle registration number recognition device to replace the one we have in Monkhill as it will discourage people from speeding. This device replaces the need for speed watch schemes and also picks up those whose cars are not taxed or without a mot. The data goes to the PCSO and the police send a letter to the worst offenders. The data is collated over a 6 to 12 month period before action is taken. It identifies the regular speeders and gives people the opportunity to slow down. Mr Allison has funding available that the PC can apply for, towards the cost of the device.<br>**Field 6065 –** Mr Allison asked for an update on Field 6065 in Monkhill. Mr Greenwood explained it is still the same, no action or enforcement has been carried out and none of the conditions have been met. | AC/TA |

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| **17/26** | **Matters Arising from Previous Meetings** | | |
| | **72/25** | **Registration of Common Land and Village Greens in the Parish.** After discussion it was decided to close this item as it would cost too much money to pursue registration of land in Grinsdale and outside Ecclesia House. **Closed.** | |
| | **75/25** | **Beaumont Village Green Tree Pruning –** The work has been completed on the maple tree on the village green. **Closed.** | |
| | **92/25** | **Traffic Regulation Orders Review** – See item 16/26 - Ward Cllr's Report. | |
| | **110/25** | **Parish Council Website update -** Mr Cleminson gave an update on the PC website. The website is up and running, all is going well and to date there have been 1500 views. Mr Cleminson demonstrated how to sign up for automatic alerts for events and planning applications. The private area of the website is to be developed where we can publish agendas, minutes and policies etc. | AC |
| | **112/25** | **Community Governance Review -** Mr Cleminson submitted the report and is waiting for a reply from Stephanie Shaw. **Closed.** | |
| **18/26** | **New Matters Arising**<br>**Approval of Beaumont PC Information Technology Policy** – Mr Cleminson circulated the IT policy. (Appendix 2). Approved by All. To be added to the website. All PC policies to be numbered for easy retrieval and all policies to be in the same format.<br>**Replacement Gates and Stiles** – Mr Greenwood met with Graham Westmorland to show him the gates and stiles that need repairing or replacing to improve public access. Graham is to assist in the completing of the application form for a grant from government subsidies. All agreed for Mr Greenwood to obtain 3 quotes. There is also funds available for any other projects. Mrs Irving suggested replacing/fixing finger posts to point to the tracks and to advertise local walks.<br>**Parish Council Branding** – Mr Cleminson has created a design for the PC branding. All agreed to go forward with the design and Mr Cleminson is to publish it onto the website with an explanation of the design and to add it to the Clerk's signature and the noticeboards. Mr Greenwood suggested getting a quote for a new noticeboard for Beaumont and to ask Mrs Beattie if it would be possible to put the new noticeboard on the other side of the Church noticeboard. | | AC<br>TG<br>AC<br>TG |
| **19/26** | **Councillors' Reports**<br>Mr Dry reported there is an issue with sewage running from a bungalow in Monkhill, the owners are dealing with it. It was agreed to monitor it.<br><br>Mrs Irving asked to add the Clerk pay review to the next agenda. | | PD |

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| **20/26** | **CPD** – Mr Greenwood attended AutoSpeedWatch and Cumbria Police information session at Durranhill police station on 7th Feb. Mr Greenwood circulated a report about the pros and cons of the device to all Councillors and the costs involved. (Appendix 3). It was agreed to put this on the agenda for next meeting. | |
| **21/26** | **Accounts**<br>Mrs Davidson circulated the year end accounts and bank reconciliation. (Appendix 4 & 5). The cash book and accounts are with David Thomlinson to be audited.<br><br>The following grant applications were approved:<br>• Beaumont Parish Hall Grass Cutting Grant £1050<br>• Beaumont Parish Hall Opening Celebration Grant £1000<br><br>Payments to be approved and cheques to be signed.<br>The following cheques were raised and approved as follows:<br>Zurich Insurance Premium Approval £ 252.45<br>Beaumont Parish Hall Revenue Grant, Grass Cutting £1050.00<br>Beaumont Parish Hall Emergency Grant Hall opening £1000.00<br>HMRC months 9-12 £ 75.00<br>Calc/Nalc subscription £ 216.74<br>Clerk Salary £ 483.85<br>Mrs I Davidson Microsoft Office £ 84.99<br>Monkhill Chapel Room Hire £ 100.00<br>Mark Lloyd Tree Pruning £ 540.00<br>Cumberland Council Play Area Inspection £ 72.42 | |
| **22/26** | **NOTIFICATION OF DECISION Proposal:** Erection Of 114no. Affordable Dwellings With Associated Open Space & Infrastructure **Location:** Land to the north of Burgh Road, CA2 7NB **Appn Ref: 24/0515 – Permission Granted Subject to Legal Agreement**<br>**PLANNING APPLICATION**<br>**Proposal:** Certificate Of Lawful Existing Development For Roof Mounted Solar Panels **Location:** The Croft, Kirkandrews on Eden, CA5 6DJ **Appn Ref:25/0660.The PC made no comments.**<br>**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 APPEAL by:** Northwest Regeneration Ltd **Proposal**: Establishment of an Energy from Waste facility. **Location**: Land adjacent to former Unit D, Kingmoor Park Rockliffe Estate, CA6 4RW Planning Application Reference Number: 1/23/9005 Appeal Ref: APP/F0935/W/25/3377058. **The PC made no comments.** | |
| **23/26** | Correspondence as circulated including:<br>Email from Pam Joyce Enforcement Officer **Enforcement EC/26/0015/EC Field being used for residential purposes. Site visit to be arranged.** | |
| **24/26** | **Date of Next Meeting.** The Annual Parish meeting is to be held on Wednesday 20th May 2026 at 7pm in Monkhill Chapel, followed by the Parish Council Annual meeting. | |

Meeting Closed at 8.30pm