

Allhallows Parish Council

A meeting of the Allhallows Parish Council was held in the Allhallows Community Centre, Fletchertown, Aspatria on Wednesday 4th September 2024 at 7.00pm.

PRESENT: Messrs. M. Abbott, S. Barton, K. Faulder, and B. Williamson.

Also, Present: T. Gear (Clerk), K. Thurlow (Cumberland Councillor), and five residents of the parish for Public Participation

Apologies: None

Councillor M. Abbott in the Chair

129/2024 MEMBERS APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from J. Mansfield (Personal), and M. Bowness (Personal) and their absence was approved.

130/2024 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

None.

131/2024 DISPENSATION

None.

132/2024 MINUTES

On the proposal of K. Faulder and seconded by M. Abbott it was RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 3rd July 2024 be approved and signed as a correct record.

133/2024 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Residents raised the following items: -

- i) Damage to the fence along the orchard. This is not within the ownership of the Council.
- ii) Children on cycles riding out onto the B5299 causing danger to themselves and motorists. Clerk to report to the Police.
- iii) Several road drains along the B5299 from the Church to Mealsgate are full. Clerk to report to Highways.
- iv) Speeding on the B5299 through Mealsgate. To be discussed later
- v) The seat at the corner of George Moore Avenue and B5299 is very low. To be discussed later.
- vi) Concerns regarding Allhallows Centre. To arrange a meeting date between the Centre Committee and representative of the Council.

134/2024 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

There were no items on the agenda which required the exclusion of the press or public.

135/2024 CORRESPONDENCE

The following items of correspondence have been received since the last meeting and circulated to members for their information: -

Various Cumberland Council Newsletters.

Connecting Cumbria Newsletter – July 2024

CALC News – May & June 2024.

Partnership Information 12.7. and 29.8.24

Safety of Lithium-ion Batteries and e-bikes and scooters

NALC Community safety case study Forms survey

Project Collette Community Windfarm – have your say.

Police, Fire & Crime Plan Consultation Survey

Hyperfast GB Newsletter – Summer 2024

North Cumbria Integrated Care – Have your say on plans to improve health and healthcare in North Cumbria

Police Reassurance Leaflet

Violence Against Women, Girls, and Domestic Abuse (VAWG) information to Town & Parish Councils

Fells and Solway Community Network Event 18.7.24 and other information

CALC Training Bulletin

CALC AGM Invitation

Request for guestlist nomination 50th Anniversary Celebration at Carlisle Cathedral.

136/2024 CLERKS REPORT

The clerk gave a brief report on matters that had arisen since the last meeting which included: -

- i) The Pension Regulator has sent a re-enrolment request.
- ii) The clerk has arranged the Annual Play Area Inspection.
- iii) Unity Trust Bank are changing to monthly statements and service charging.
- iv) He had submitted a grant application to Aspatria and District Community Charity for £750 towards work in the play park which was approved.
- v) A report had been received regarding overgrown footpaths. The contractor has now cut them back.
- vi) Dangerous parking in Fletchertown had been reported to the police.

137/2024 ALLHALLOWS CENTRE

A report has been received from the Centre Committee which has been circulated.

138/2024 CUMBERLAND COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

K. Thurlow addressed the meeting and provided an update on the work at Baggrow lonning.

139/2024 PLANNING MATTERS

(a) Applications for consultation

None

(b) Decisions

None

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(c) Appeals

None

(d) Planning related correspondence

Cumberland Council Planning Policy Update – Parish Councils had been received and circulated.

140/2024 ACCOUNTS

i) The payment of the accounts since the last meeting were ratified, and remainder were approved for payment: -

Mike Dowling Contracting	Grass cutting (Junel)	£600.00
Water Plus	Water rates (July)	£9.71
Top Marks Pest Sols.	Pest Control	£55.00
W & B Powley	Strimming footpaths	£300.00
Mike Dowling Contracting	Grass cutting (July)	£600.00
Printpoint Ltd	Newsletter	£48.00
T. Gear	Clerks Account (July/Aug.)	£555.85
HMRC	Income Tax (May/June)	£107.64
Water Plus	Water rates (August)	£10.93

ii) Balances as at

4.9.24	Current Account	£4,565.50
4.9.24	Deposit Account	£4,851.48

140/2024 COUNCILLOR'S PORTFOLIO'S

- i) Allotments: M. Abbott advised that the allotments were very wet due to the heavy rain. The gate stoop at the entrance also needs attention.
- ii) Play Park: K. Faulder stated it is very wet at present. She will also be attending a One Day RPII Routine Inspectors Course on 9th September.
- iii) Flooding: S. Barton advised that there had been flooding at both ends of the village but was not aware of any properties being flooded.
- iv) Outside bodies: J. Mansfield had tendered her apologies

141/2024 PRIDE IN THE PARISH/ FLETCHERTOWN SPRING CLEAN

The above was arranged for Saturday 14th September 2024 commencing at 10am at Allhallows Centre. K. Faulder to produce note to residents.

142/2024 VACANCIES

J. Pegler, who was present, had completed the Eligibility Forms and was asked to leave the meeting whilst her application for co-option was discussed. On the proposal of K Faulder and seconded by S. Barton it was agreed to co-opt Mrs. Pegler as Councillor to the Council. She completed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and will complete the Register of Interests Form within 28 days.

143/2024 BAGGROW LONNING

Works were ongoing which will be inspected before the next meeting,

144/2024 RESTORATION OF THE BONFIRE SITE

This is an ongoing project, and a fuller report will be available at the next meeting.

145/2024 SPEED INDICATION DEVICE – MEALSGATE

The clerk had received information from Highways that a new device would have to be purchased before it could be deployed in Mealsgate.

146/2024 DRAINAGE – PLAY PARK, FLETCHERTOWN

An estimate for the work from Mike Dowling Contractor has now been received in the sum of £350.00. It was agreed to proceed.

147/2024 WINTER GRITTING

A letter had been received from Mark Jenkinson, former MP, to advise that the B5299 Mealsgate to Aspatria was to be included in the Winter Gritting schedule.

148/2024 PLAY EQUIPMENT

Now that the schools are back the odd job person will be carrying out work in the play park.

149/2024 ODD JOB PERSON

He painted a seat in Fletchertown and removed the seats from Watchhill and Baggrow as they needed several coats of paint.

150/2024 CO-OPTION POLICY

The clerk had circulated the CALC Co-option Procedure which was adopted.

151/2024 CLIMATE EMERGENCY

Information on the CAfS Climate Fresk Training and Climate Action Webinars have been circulated.

152/2024 RE-POSITIONING OF SEAT – WEST STREET. FLETCHERTOWN

There was no space for the seat to be re-positioned on the allotments. It was agreed to re-position it to the grassed area at the B5299 junction opposite the Play Park

153/2024 FINANCIAL REGULATIONS 2024

The NALC Financial Regulations 2024 have been circulated and were adopted.

154/2024 TELEPHONE BOX HOUSING DEFIBRILLATOR, FLETCHERTOWN

The Centre Committee had no objections to the sitting of the defibrillator on the exterior of the centre. The clerk to arrange for the re-siting.

155/2024 PUBLIC FOOTPATH TO HARBY BROW

Whilst the contractor was stimming the footpaths it was noted that part of this footpath had been washed away in the heavy storms. The clerk has reported the matter to Highways. EI/217160 refers.

156/2024 PROGRESS REPORTS

- (i) Any items for the next newsletter should be forwarded to the Clerk by 15th. February 2025 for delivery early March 2025.

157/2024 ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

- Baggrow Lonning
- Restoration of bonfire site
- Play Park
- Climate Change

Defibrillator
Budget 2025/26

158/2024 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on **Wednesday 6th November 2024 at Allhallows Centre, Fletchertown at 7.00pm.**

The meeting closed at 8.30pm

Signed.....
Chair