

# Plumbland Parish Council

A Meeting of the Plumbland Parish Council was held in the Meeting Room at Plumbland Village Hall, Plumbland on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2024 at 7.00pm.

PRESENT: Messrs. A. Rutherford, J. Collins, L. Proudlock, A. Mounsey, R. Miller, and J. Barber.

Also, present: T. Gear (Clerk).

Apologies: J. Perry (Cumberland Councillor).

Councillor A. Rutherford in the Chair

## 23/2024 APOLOGIES FROM MEMBERS

N. Eilbeck (Work) and C. Watson (Personal) tendered their apologies, both absences were approved.

## 24/2024 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

None

## 25/2024 MINUTES

On the proposal of J. Collins and seconded by A. Rutherford it was RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 8th January 2024 be approved and signed as a correct record

## 25/2024 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public present, and no matters were raised on their behalf.

## 26/2024 CORRESPONDENCE

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

A letter of thanks for the council's donation to Wigton Baths

Various Cumberland Council Newsletters.

Several notifications of road closures in the parish

Connecting Cumbria Newsletter – January and February 2024

Partnership Information

PFCC Winter Newsletter

Survey asking for examples on how Household Support Fund has supported people.

Final Call. Cumberland Council Community Panels

Cumbria Local Nature Partnership update.

Several items on the weather in January.

Official Portrait of HM The King. It was agreed to obtain a copy and donate to the school.

Town, Parish and community Councils – D Day 80 – 6<sup>th</sup> June 2024. It was agreed to purchase two flags, one for the school and the other for the village hall.

## 27/2024 CLERKS REPORT

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

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- i) An e-mail regarding the Tallentire Windfarm Fund. It was agreed to invite a representative to the July meeting.
- ii) The insurance renewal had been received for £241.00 which was comparable with last year's quote.
- iii) The data Protection fee reminder had been received saving £5 as the council pays by direct debit.

## 28/2024 CUMBERLAND COUNCILLOR'S REPORT.

J. Perry had tendered her apologies but submitted a report which had been circulated and is attached.

## 08/2023 PLANNING MATTERS

(a) Applications for consultation

None

(b) Decisions

None

(c) Appeals

None

(d) Planning related correspondence

None

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## 29/2024 ACCOUNTS

i) The payment of the following accounts which had been paid since the last meeting were ratified, and remainder were approved for payment:

Plumbland CE School	Newsletter printing	£105.00
HJG Stephenson	Newsletter	£50.00
Mr. AJ Rutherford	Printer Inks/Councils printer	£14.39
T. Gear	Clerks Account (January/February)	£395.38
HMRC	Income Tax (January/February)	£83.72
Plumbland PCC	Donation	£200.00

ii) Balances at 4.3.24      Current Account      £8655.44

## 30/2024 B5301 UPDATE

The Chair gave a verbal update on the B5301 including that the repair work at Arkleby will be completed in the next 4 to 6 weeks, and there will be a number of road closures in the parish over the coming weeks to allow FIBRUS to carry out works.

## 31/2024 HIGH CLOSE QUARRY

The Chair provided a verbal report which included the highlights of a long letter from our solicitor to Cumberland Council's solicitor to which a response is awaited.

## 32/2024 SPEEDING/SPEED WATCH

The Chair gave a verbal report on the Community Speed Watch and that the Speed Watch Group had been out last week and will be out tomorrow.

33/2024 RISK ASSESSMENT 2024

The clerk had produced a draft Risk Assessment which was approved.

34/2024 CLIMATE CHANGE

No new information was available.

35/2024 MOOTA QUARRY/SCOPING REPORT

To date the new application has not been advertised.

36/2024 CLINTS QUARRY

The application 7/2023/2277 had been submitted to the Lake District National Park Authority and the council had submitted an objection which was ratified by the meeting.

37/2024 PARISH SPRING CLEAN

It was proposed that the parish spring cleaning should take place on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June which was agreed.

38/2024 STREET LIGHT NO.9 – PARSONBY

The light had been repaired with new LED fittings and a bulb.

39/2024 WAR MEMORIAL SEAT

This was discussed further, and it was decided that the shrubbery should be removed, and that consideration be given to just purchasing the planters.

40/2024 DONATION TO ST. CUTHBERTS CHURCH, PLUMBLAND

Correspondence had been received from the DCC of St Cuthbert's Church, Plumbland seeking financial support for maintenance of the Churchyard. It was agreed to donate £200.00 to this worthy cause.

41/2024 ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

High Close Quarry  
B5301 Update  
War Memorial Seat/Planters

42/2024 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

**7.00pm Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2024 (to follow the Annual Parish Meeting) in Plumbland Village Hall, Plumbland**

The meeting closed at 7.30 pm.

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