

**PENNINGTON PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council**  
**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2025**  
**7pm**  
**Parish Rooms**

**Minutes**

Attendees	Mrs Athersmith Mrs Bell (Clerk) Mr Corbett	Mrs Slater Mr Stretch Mr Squires	3 Members of the Public		
	DISCUSSION	ACTIONS	OWNER	DUE	
25-03/1 Apologies	Apologies were received and accepted from <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Mrs Thompson (Chair)</li><li>Mrs Corbett</li></ul> Apologies were noted from <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Cllr Cooper</li></ul>				
25-03/2 Declarations of Councillors Interests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>For openness and transparency, Mrs Bell declared her involvement with Ulverston Town Lands through her employment which includes her role as assistant to the Secretary of the Ulverston Town Lands Trust.</li></ul>				
25-03/3 Exclusion of Press and Public	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>None</li></ul>				
25-03/4 Vacancies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>There were no vacancies noted and full membership observed.</li></ul>				
25-03/5 Previous Minutes dated 10/02/2025 and Matters Arising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>It was noted that investigations into woodworm are ongoing</li><li>It was noted that repair works to the roof at Sunnyside are ongoing.</li><li>It was noted that the Agenda stated the previous minutes as 16/12/2024 and should have read 10/02/2025</li><li>Minutes were approved and signed as a true reflection of the meeting</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>HSI and LB to contact Rentokill LT to contact Environmental Health</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>HSI LB LT</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Ongoing</li></ul>	

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25-03/6 Public Participation by Question and Comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Council were informed that issues regarding the de-fibs on Birkrigg are ongoing however, a compromise on their fitting has been reached.</li> <li>• Council were informed that due to involvement by the MP – WAF Council have not charged for the fitting of the posts for the de-fibs.</li> <li>• Council were informed that although the tree that fell at Birkrigg Park has been removed, the root has been left and poses a significant trip hazard.</li> <li>• Council were informed that the concerning areas of wall at Birkrigg Park have now been forwarded to the Clerk.</li> <li>• Council were informed of additional funding opportunities for BPRA.</li> <li>• Council were informed that a number of potholes and drains have been reported.</li> </ul>			
25-03/7 District Councillors/ Elected Members Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None</li> </ul>			
25-03/8 Swarthmoor/ High Carley	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The playground report was received and it was noted that the gate needs replacing.</li> <li>• It was resolved to clear out the telephone box library – donating any good condition books to the Reading Room or Miners and to monitor the number of new books that are coming in/ going out.</li> <li>• It was noted that EV Charge Points have gone to public consultation however, the general feedback from Council was to favourable.</li> <li>• It was noted that the wooden bus shelter at High Carley (on the A590) has been left full of rubbish and it appears that someone may have sleeping in it.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cllrs to look at the bus shelter and clean out</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cllrs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ongoing</li> </ul>
25-03/9 Pennington/ Loppergarth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It was resolved to move the Biodiversity Toolkit discussion to the next meeting on the return of the Chair.</li> </ul>			

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	<b>Receipts</b> <u>To resolve to note the following receipts from Bank Statements</u> <u>11/01/2025 – 10/02/20254</u> Grazing Land Rent £315.00 Allotment Rent £35.00 Room Hire £12.00 Allotment Rent £35.00 Allotment Rent x 3 £105.00 Allotment Rent £35.00 Sunnyside Rent £470.00 Allotment Rent £35.00 <b>Total Bank Statement Receipts</b> <b><u>£1,042.00</u></b>  <b>Bank Statement Balance at 10/02/2025</b> <b><u>£29,545.74</u></b>  <u>Cashbook Payments</u> <b>Total Cashbook Payments</b> <b><u>£0.00</u></b>  <u>Anticipated Payments</u> Salary and WFH £759.63 Waterplus Allotments £23.39 1 and 1 Ionos £10.80 SSE Streetlights £63.99 <b>Total Anticipated Payments</b> <b><u>£857.81</u></b>  <u>Cashbook Receipts</u> Sunnyside Rent £470.00 Room Hire £36.00 <b>Total Cashbook Receipts</b> <b><u>£506.00</u></b>			
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	<u>Anticipated Receipts</u> Sunnyside Rent <b>Total Anticipated Receipts</b>  <b>Total Payments</b> <b>Total Receipts</b> <b>Running Balance</b>  <b>Reserves</b> Buildings Maintenance Bus Shelters Maintenance Election Fees Playground Maintenance Car Parks Footpaths Allotments CLP Grants General Reserves <b>Total</b>  <u>To resolve to consider/approve the following payments:</u> It was resolved to approve the Basketball area tidy up	£470.00 <b><u>£470.00</u></b>  <b><u>£2,613.12</u></b> <b><u>£2,018.00</u></b> <b><u>£29,663.93</u></b>  £15,781.49 £1,813.73 £3,000.00 £2,418.80 £400.00 £400.00 £400.00 £250.00 £225.00 £4,856.72 <b><u>£29,545.74</u></b>  £250.00		
25-03/13 Finance – Internal Auditor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It was resolved to contact the previous Internal Auditor for the 2024-2025 financial year.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clerk to contact IA</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clerk</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Next Meet</li> </ul>
25-03/15 .GOV Domains	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It was resolved to support the move to .gov websites – 8 x basic emails plus the move to .gov website keeping the existing provider</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>KS to arrange</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>KS</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ongoing</li> </ul>
25-03/16 Policies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It was resolved to re-adopt the following policies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Emergency Plan</li> <li>Grants Policy</li> <li>Protocol on the Recording and Filming of Council and Community Meetings</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			

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	- Retention of Documents Policy			
25-03/17 Items for future agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lighting and Lighting Plan</li> <li>• Wetland Area</li> <li>• Allotments</li> <li>• Biodiversity Toolkit</li> <li>• Purchase of SIDS</li> <li>• Swarthmoor Playground Gate</li> </ul>			
25-03/18 Date of Next Meeting	The next ordinary meeting was agreed for 7 <sup>th</sup> April 2025 – 7pm in the Parish Rooms.			

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