

PENNINGTON PARISH COUNCIL
ANNUAL Meeting of the Parish Council
Monday 8th December 2025
7pm
Parish Rooms

Minutes

Attendees	Mrs Athersmith Mrs Bell (Clerk) Mr Corbett	Mrs Corbett Mrs Slater Mr Squires	Mr Stretch Ms Brockbank		
	DISCUSSION	ACTIONS	OWNER	DUE	
Co-option	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One application for co-option onto the vacant Swarthmoor Ward seat was received. Due to uncontested application, It was proposed to appoint the applicant Nicola Brockbank. 				
25-12/1 Apologies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No apologies were received from council members 				
25-12/2 Declarations of Councillors Interests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None noted 				
25-12/3 Exclusion of Press and Public	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 25-12/13 25-12/14 25-12/15 25-12/16 				
25-12/4 Vacancies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No vacancies were noted. 				
25-12/5 Previous Minutes dated 13/10/2025 and Matters Arising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minutes were approved and signed as a true reflection of the meeting 				

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25-12/6 Public Participation by Question and Comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nothing to note 			
25-12/7 District Councillors/ Elected Members Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nothing to note. 			
25-12/8 Swarthmoor/ High Carley	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was noted that following the accident Fox Street/ Park Road junction – the Parish Council would not require the crime number as the damaged railings are not council property. 			
25-12/9 Pennington/ Loppergarth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was noted that the Harry Christian bench has been replaced. It was resolved to ask the resident who has taken the pieces and re-built the old one to identify a new location for it. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clerk to contact the resident 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clerk 	
25-12/10 Sunnyside/ Parish Rooms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was noted that there has been no update regarding the leak at Sunnyside. It was noted that the Sunnyside Inspection has been circulated. It was noted that the Parish Rooms Risk Assessment is still to be carried out. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clerk to arrange with council members 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clerk 	
25-12/11 Planning Matters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No applications received to comment on 			
25-12/12 Financial Matters	<p>Financial Matters LLOYDS ACCOUNT NOW CLOSED – Funds transferred to Unity Trust Bank</p> <p>Bank Statement Balance at 01/10/2025</p>	£540.60		

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	<p><u>To resolve to note the following payments from Bank Statements</u></p> <p>27.10.25 – Benson Grass Cutting 27.10.25 – Eon Next – Parish Rooms 27.10.25 – Clerk expenses 29.10.25 – Salary and WFH 31.10.25 - Charges 05.11.25 – Ionos 18.11.25 – SSE Streetlights 19.11.25 – SSE Streetlights 24.11.25 – SSE Streetlights 28.11.25 – Salary and WFH 28.11.25 – Clerk expenses laptop 30.11.25 – Charges</p> <p><u>To resolve to note the following receipts from Bank Statements</u></p> <p>09.10.25 – Room Hire 15.10.25 – Room Hire 17.10.25 – Sunnyside Rent 27.10.25 – Pennington Parish Council Lloyds Balance 17.11.25 – Sunnyside Rent</p> <p>Balance at 31/11/2025</p> <p>Reserves Buildings Maintenance Bus Shelters Maintenance Election Fees Playground Maintenance</p>	<p>£680.00 £39.94 £53.17 £565.64 £6.00 £22.79 £96.45 £76.88 £383.22 £565.64 £765.01 £6.00 £3,260.74</p> <p>£49.00 £34.00 £470.00 £40,927.06 £470.00 £41,950.06</p> <p>£39,229.92</p> <p>£17,565.59 £1,913.73 £3,500.00 -£42.00 £900.00</p>		
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	<p>Car Parks Footpaths Allotments CLP Grants General Reserves General Spends Total</p> <p><u>To discuss SSE Unmetered Supply and Lights</u></p> <p><u>To resolve to consider/approve the following payments</u></p> <p>Swarthmoor Playground Repairs - Quote 1 Loppergarth Playpark Works – Quote 4 Roof Repairs Quote 1</p> <p>It was resolved to agree the payments as listed above</p>	<p>£500.00 £900.00 £500.00 £752.00 £5,000.00 £7,740.60 <u>£39,229.92</u></p> <p>£130.00 £88.00 £950 (+vat)</p>		
25-12/13 Allotment Lease Review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allotment Rent was discussed as per confidential resolution. 			
25-12/14 Grazing Land Lease Review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grazing Land Rent was discussed as per confidential resolution. 			
25-12/15 Sunnyside Rent Review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sunnyside Rent Review was discussed as per confidential resolution. 			
25-12/16 Salary Review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Salary was discussed as per confidential resolution. 			

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25-10/17 Precept and Budget Setting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was resolved to accept the proposed budget and to request a precept from Westmorland District Council of £18,561.44 as per the budget proposal. • 			
25-10/19 Items for Future Agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nothing to note 			
25-10/18 Date of Next Meeting	The next ordinary meeting of the council back and was agreed for 19 th January 2026 – 7pm in the Parish Rooms.			

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