

SEBERGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of Sebergham Parish Council Meeting held at Welton Village Hall at 7.30 pm on Wednesday 29 January 2025

Present: Cllr Emily Wilson, Cllr Peter Pearson (Chair) Cllr Geoff Carruthers and Cllr Christine Tinnion.

Others: M. Johnson, Cumberland Councillor
One parishioner

The Chair welcomed everyone and opened the meeting.

67/2024	Apologies Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Diana Turton and Cllr Michael Stockdale. The reasons for absence were noted and accepted.
68/2024	Minutes of last Parish Council meeting The Chair was authorised to sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 27 November 2024.
69/2024	Declarations of Interest/requests for dispensation No declarations of interest or requests for dispensation were received.
70/2024	Exclusion of Press and Public (Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960) None
	The meeting was adjourned to allow members of the public the opportunity to raise any concerns in relation to the Parish
71/2024	Public Participation A member of the public in attendance raised some concerns regarding the footpaths in the parish and asked if the parish council could be a little more proactive in maintaining the paths. Three issues were raised on the Cumbria Way. It was suggested that the issues should be reported to Cumberland Council through the Highways Portal or Hotline. The issue of significant flooding and mud covering the road down from Doctor's Brow(Sebergham) at New Year was raised. This was dealt with at the time by a Highways team. The member of the public in attendance also expressed an interest in joining the Parish Council.
	The meeting was re-convened.
72/2024	Cumberland Councillor's report M. Johnson, Cumberland Councillor reported on the recent Cumberland Council's public consultations including the Budget consultation, Car Parks in Keswick and Carlisle and the Waste and Recycling Collection consultation. Regarding the Waste and Recycling Collection Service it is proposed to change collections to be the same as Carlisle and Copeland areas. Refuse collections will be fortnightly and cardboard/paper collections will increase from monthly to fortnightly. To accommodate the refuse collection proposals, householders will be given the option to request a larger bin (180 litre - most residents have a 120-litre bin). It is proposed to start the new arrangements for refuse in April 2025 and recycling in September 2025. Cllr Johnson also provided a report on the Boundary Commissions review of the Wards for Cumberland Council and on Devolution.

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73/2024	<p>Planning</p> <p>(a) Planning applications received by Cumberland Council:</p> <p>Re-consultation on planning application FUL/2024/0098 - Hazel Gill Farm, Welton, Carlisle, CA5 7HJ Proposal: Change of use and extension of agricultural storage barns to create dwelling Amendment: Amended Plans</p> <p>(b) Decisions made by Cumberland Council:</p> <p>FUL/2024/0098 - Hazel Gill Farm, Welton, Carlisle, CA5 7HJ Proposal: Change of use and extension of agricultural storage barns to create dwelling - GRANTED</p>												
74/2024	<p>Highways</p> <p>Bell Bridge Road - Cllr Peter Pearson reported that the permanent repairs to the Bell Bridge road (at the southern end just north of Greenfoot) are planned to be carried out at the beginning of July.</p> <p>It was noted that a tree had recently fallen across the river just south of Bell Bridge; This was reported via the Highways Hotline/website and passed onto the Environment Agency. The road edge is potentially undermined and is being assessed by Highways.</p> <p>The issue of mud and flooding of the roadway below at Doctor’s Brow Sebergham was discussed during the Public Participation section of the meeting.</p>												
75/2024	<p>Parish/Community Plan</p> <p>It was agreed to hold this agenda item in abeyance until later in the year.</p>												
76/2024	<p>Website</p> <p>Cllr Peter Pearson reported that a package for a new parish website had been agreed with Active Councils. Members were asked to consider what content they would like to see on the new website.</p>												
77/2024	<p>Financial Matters</p> <p>77.1 The following payments were authorised:</p> <table><tr><th>Date</th><th>PAYEE</th><th>Budget line</th><th>Value</th></tr><tr><td>29/01/2025</td><td>Parochial Church Council of Sebergham</td><td>Donation (replacement cheque)</td><td>£300.00</td></tr><tr><td>05/02/2025</td><td>ICO</td><td>Data Protection Fee</td><td>£35.00 (DD)</td></tr></table> <p>77.2 The cash book at 31 December 2024 was noted. Balance at Nat West £6830.69.</p> <p>77.3 RESOLVED that Cllr Emily Wilson be added as an authorised signatory on the bank mandate with Nat West Bank.</p>	Date	PAYEE	Budget line	Value	29/01/2025	Parochial Church Council of Sebergham	Donation (replacement cheque)	£300.00	05/02/2025	ICO	Data Protection Fee	£35.00 (DD)
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78/2024	<p>Co-option of New Councillor</p> <p>Members considered the expression of interest received from Mr. M. Hilton. RESOLVED to co-opt Mr. Hilton onto the Parish Council.</p>												
79/2024	<p>Date of next meeting – The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 26 March 2025.</p>												

The meeting closed at 8.42 pm.