

SEBERGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of Sebergham Parish Council Meeting held at Welton Village Hall at 7.30 pm on Wednesday 31 July 2024

Present: Cllr Christine Tinnion, Cllr Emily Hudson and Cllr Diana Depla

Others: M. Johnson, Cumberland Councillor

	Cllr E. Hudson in the Chair
21/2024	Apologies Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Geoff Carruthers, Peter Pearson and Michael Stockdale. The reasons for absence were noted and accepted.
22/2024	Minutes of last Parish Council meeting The Chair was authorised to sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on 29 May 2024
23/2024	Declarations of Interest/requests for dispensation None
24/2024	Exclusion of Press and Public (Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960) None
25/2024	Public Participation No members of the public were in attendance.
26/2024	Cumberland Councillor's report M. Johnson, Cumberland Councillor reported there were no updates for Cumberland Council and asked if there were any matters he could assist with.
27/2024	Planning (a) Applications received LBC/2024/0021 - Bridge End, Sebergham, Carlisle CA5 7HR Proposal: Listed building consent for demolition of existing timber conservatory and replacement with aluminium glazed conservatory using existing base/walls – No comments (b) Decisions None
28/2024	Highways Bell Bridge Road – The contract for the permanent restoration of the bank collapse has been awarded to Metcalfe Engineering Contracting and they have submitted the works consent application to the Environment Agency/Natural England and are awaiting the assent of Natural England. Safety at Sebergham Bridge – A member of the public had contacted the Parish Council to advise that they are a regular user of the Wigton to Penrith road and had noticed that the view across the bridge from the Wigton side is now obscured by some bushes growing next to the bridge wall on the river bank, Wigton side. The member of the public asked if it was possible for the bushes to be removed or trimmed back. Members proposed that ownership of the land should be established before any work is undertaken. Cllr Emily Hudson agreed to liaise with Cllr Peter Pearson regarding whether the land is registered to the Parish Council. The member of the public would be provided with an update in the meantime.

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	B5299 Welton – Cumberland Highways had notified the Parish Council of a temporary road closure commencing on the 5 August to allow Cumberland Highways to carry out utility works which are expected to take two weeks to complete.																
29/2024	Cumberland Council (Bridleway No. 251030 in the Parish of Sebergham) (Temporary Prohibition of Pedestrians, Horses and Cyclists) Order 2024 Members noted that Cumberland Council had made the above Order which came into effect on the 18 June 2024. The closure is expected to last the full six months.																
30/2024	Parish/Community Plan Members discussed what outcomes the Parish would like to see from updating the Plan. It was proposed that this item would be deferred until the next meeting for further discussion on holding an open event for parishioners to attend and put forward their suggestions.																
31/2024	Website Cllr Peter Pearson had reported that he had been unable to contact the website provider. Cllr Emily Hudson agreed to liaise with Cllr Pearson regarding how to progress this matter.																
32/2024	Parsons Park Footpath Members noted the update provided by Caldbeck Parish Council. The job has been put on hold for the moment. In the meantime, Caldbeck Parish Council are proposing to register the footpath with the local authority and require 20 or 30 statements from people who have used the footpath regularly for more than 20 years. It was proposed that if any residents in Sebergham Parish regularly use the footpath and would like to complete a statement they should contact the Clerk for further information.																
33/2024	Financial Matters 33.1 The following payments were considered and authorised: <table><tr><th>Date</th><th>PAYEE</th><th>Budget line</th><th>Value</th></tr><tr><td>31.07.2024</td><td>A. Bell</td><td>Construction of the bench at Welton</td><td>£271.20</td></tr><tr><td>31.07.2024</td><td>A. Ward</td><td>Website</td><td>£60.00</td></tr><tr><td>31.07.2024</td><td>Welton Village Hall</td><td>Room Hire</td><td>£80.00</td></tr></table> 33.2 The cash book at 30 th June was noted. Balance with NatWest £5,156.19 Income received from HMRC VAT Refund £105.60 33.3 Banking arrangements – The updating of the correspondence address was in progress. A form was completed to add Diana Turton and Emily Hudson as signatories to the Parish Council account. Members noted that a letter had been received from Welton PCC to thank the Parish Council for the donation made towards the upkeep of the churchyard.	Date	PAYEE	Budget line	Value	31.07.2024	A. Bell	Construction of the bench at Welton	£271.20	31.07.2024	A. Ward	Website	£60.00	31.07.2024	Welton Village Hall	Room Hire	£80.00
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34/2024	Date of next meeting – the next meeting will be held on Wednesday 25 September 2024																

The meeting closed at 8.16 pm.