

IRTHINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the MEETING of IRTHINGTON PARISH COUNCIL held in NEWTOWN VILLAGE HALL on WEDNESDAY 4th SEPTEMBER 2024 at 7.30pm.

PRESENT: Cllrs R. Armstrong (Chairman), G. Beck, M. Ridley and H. Slack.

IN ATTENDANCE: Clerk
Cumberland Councillor J. Mallinson
1 member of the public (from item 069/24.2)

062/24 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

RESOLVED to note apologies for absence were received and agreed from Councillors Jordan and Robinson.

063/24 REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION

RESOLVED to note that no requests for dispensation were received.

064/24 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

RESOLVED to note there were no declarations of interest made.

065/24 MINUTES

RESOLVED to authorise the Chairman to sign the minutes of the meeting held on 3rd July 2024, confirmed as a true and accurate record, after amending the date of the next meeting.

ACTION: RA

066/24 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

RESOLVED to note there were no members of the public present.

RESOLVED to note Cumberland Councillor Mallinson reported that he was pushing for Cumberland Council to take better care of the property under its ownership in Irthington.

067/24 REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS

RESOLVED to note there were no reports.

068/24 TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING

Applications for planning consent were considered.

RESOLVED to advise Cumberland Council of the Parish Council's comments as follows:-

068/24.1 LAND ADJACENT GALLOWBERRY, IRTHINGTON (24/0508) – Erection of 1 dwelling, new vehicle and pedestrian access to highway and landscaping (outline).

No observations.

ACTION: Clerk

Signed.....

Date.....

RESOLVED to ratify the following comments, previously submitted to Cumberland Council:-

068/24.2 LAND TO WEST OF THE COTTAGE, NEWTOWN (24/0487) – Variation of condition 1 (approved documents) of previously approved application 18/0433 (erection of 3 dwellings) and further varied by permissions 21/1167, 22/0333 and 23/0529 for additional windows to plot 3.

No observations.

068/24.3 NEWBY MANOR, NEWBY EAST (24/0425) – Erection of dwarf wall.

No observations.

069/24 FINANCIAL MATTERS

069/24.1 BANK RECONCILIATION to 31.08.24

There was submitted a report by the Clerk on the reconciliation of the Council's financial records with its bank account statement.

RESOLVED to receive and note the bank reconciliation and balance to 31st August 2024 of £19,440.15.

069/24.2 EXPENDITURE TO APPROVE

RESOLVED to authorise/ratify* the following expenditure for payment:-

Amount £	Payee	Detail	Chq/DP
362.88	A Riddell	Net wage to 5.08.24 *	DP
362.68	A. Riddell	Net wage to 5.09.24	DP
12.00	Netwise	Gov.uk set up fee	DP

070/24 POLICY ADOPTION

Members reviewed and considered the following policies for adoption:-

- **CO-OPTION PROCEDURE AND ELIGIBILITY FORM** (issued by CALC)
- **GENERAL RESERVES**

RESOLVED to adopt the policies.

071/24 NEWTOWN VILLAGE GREEN

071/24.1 REPLACEMENT TREES

RESOLVED to note 6 trees from Whitesyke Garden Centre and the oak tree supplied by Councillor Ridley had been planted. The Clerk would request photos from Irthington in Bloom representatives who helped out with the planting.

ACTION: Clerk

Signed.....

Date.....

071/24.2 GRASS CUTTING

Members considered the concerns raised at unauthorised grass cutting on the village green.

RESOLVED that the Chairman would instruct the resident to cease cutting the grass and the Clerk was to contact the council’s insurers to ascertain the position regarding cover and liability.

ACTION: RA/Clerk

072/24 DEFIBRILLATOR IN NEWBY EAST

Consideration was given to the type of defibrillator to purchase and the availability of grants.

RESOLVED to purchase a Heartsine Samarita PAD 360P defibrillator and cabinet (cost £1,249.00)

RESOLVED that no action on local grant funding applications would take place until Councillor Armstrong had information from London Hearts on its grant availability.

ACTION: RA/Clerk

073/24 CLERK’S REPORT

RESOLVED to note the attached report. (Appendix 1)

RESOLVED to invite Danny Poland (Irthington in Bloom) to attend the 50th Anniversary of Cumbria Celebration.

074/24 CALC

RESOLVED to note that all CALC emails had been circulated to members and that none required a formal decision.

075/24 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED BY THE CLERK –

RESOLVED to note all correspondence had been circulated to members and the following required a formal decision:-

075/24.1 ENHANCE YOUR TANK SCHEME

Members considered a letter from Nutrient Neutrality Administration Officer, Lake District National Park, regarding promotion of the scheme.

RESOLVED to add information on the scheme to the Council’s website.

ACTION: Clerk

075/24.2 PLANTING OF OAK TREES

Members considered an email from a local resident offering 2 oak saplings for planting on the village green or elsewhere in the parish.

RESOLVED to thank the member of the public for the offer and that Councillor Armstrong would ask residents (through the local newsletter) for a preferred location.

ACTION: Clerk/RA

Signed.....

Date.....

075/24.3 SAFETY OF LITHIUM BATTERIES

Members considered an email from the Parliamentary Advisor to Electoral Safety First, requesting support for the campaign to improve the safety of lithium batteries.

RESOLVED to add information on the scheme to the Council’s website and include information in the next newsletter as a means of support for the campaign.

ACTION: Clerk/RA

076/24 AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED to note that items for consideration should be submitted to the Clerk on or before 25th September 2024.

077/24 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 2nd October 2024, Newtown Village Hall, 7.30pm.

Meeting closed at 8.02pm.

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Signed.....

Date.....

CLERK'S REPORT

IRTHINGTON NOTICEBOARD – No response from previous contractor on repairs to the noticeboard. Other local contractors were being contacted for advice.

.GOV.UK - Website and emails were being progressed with Netwise, the current website provider. Clerk had attended training on moving to a .gov.uk website through the Government's department for Science, Innovation and Technology.

PARISH COUNCILLORS – The list of parish councillors on the Cumberland Council website had been reviewed and updated.

CWGC SIGN AT IRTHINGTON CHURCH – Request for sign passed to Parochial Church Council. Wardens and vicar had agreed to installation.

ROAD CLOSURES –

U1096 Laversdale - A temporary road closure had been put in place to allow Fibrus to carry out utility works which were expected to commence 5th September 2024 and anticipated to take 5 days to complete.

Please see below details of the extents of the closure and alternative route, the relevant legal notice can be viewed at https://api-gb.one.network/downloads/tm/4586/reactivation-notice-cumberland_139894778_3778598_8340f1ea5c.pdf and a location plan clearly showing these extents can be found on one.network via link <https://one.network/?tm=139894778>

Location: U1096, Laversdale from its junction with the U1095 to its junction with the U1098.

Alternative Route: U1095, A6071 and U1098 and a way for pedestrians and dismounted cyclists would be maintained at all times.

Should you have any queries in relation to this restriction please contact the Highways Hotline by calling 0300 373 3736 or via the [Cumberland Council website](#), quoting the reference TTROC/12334

LIST OF CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED TO BE NOTED (Circulated to members by email)

CALC –

- Partnership Information
- Training bulletins
- Police reassurance leaflet
- CALC news May/June 2024
- 50th Anniversary of Cumbria Celebrations

OTHER CORRESPONDENCE -

- Cumberland Council e-newsletters
- Cumberland Council Planning Policy update
- Rural Services Network –latest bulletins
- Cumbria Police – July and August 2024
- Connecting Cumbria Newsletter – July 2024
- Project Collette Community Wind Farm Discussion (offshore wind farm off the Cumbrian Coast)
- Cumbria Police – Operation Enhance
- Local Nature Recovery Strategy Newsletter
- Cumbrian white-tailed eagle project

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Date.....